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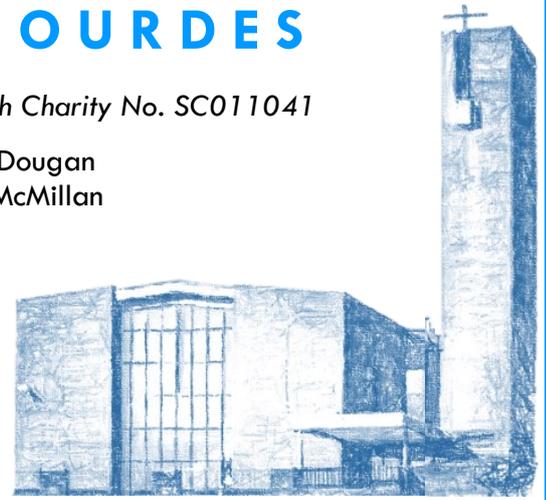
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The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year B 17 October 2021

Mass Times

Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 9am
11am
Tues—Sat 10am

This Week's Readings 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 53:10-11
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many
Psalm 32
May your love be upon us O Lord, as we place all our hope in you
Hebrews 4:14-16
Let us be confident then in approaching the throne of grace
Mark 10:35-45
The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION THIS WEEK

- **Saturday** between 9.30am and 9.50am
- **Saturday** between 4.30pm until 4.50pm

This will be in what used to be the cry chapel

CHURCH OPENING TIMES THIS WEEK

The church will be open on Monday to Saturday from 9.00am until 4.00pm or until after the Evening Mass or Service.

October Devotions

Deacon Bill will lead devotions every Monday in October at 10am. This will include exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Benediction.

Pro-Life Prayer Group

This will now meet on Wednesdays after Mass. With the winter nights coming in, it makes sense to meet during the day.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

On Fridays in the church at 1.30pm and concludes with the Chaplet at 3.00pm. All are welcome to gather for these prayers.

THE MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP & PRO LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Meetings on Tuesdays after 10.00am Mass with Rosary in the church and Mothers' Prayers afterwards in the Oratory. All welcome.

ORDINARY TIME - WEEK 29

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Reflection on the Readings

Insensitivity and total lack of understanding! To ask Jesus for the best seats in the kingdom of heaven at any time is to misunderstand his teaching about taking up the cross and renouncing self as lying at the very heart of discipleship. To make the request when Jesus has just repeated his prediction that he, the Son of Man, is destined to suffer, die and rise again, is crass, and also a masterpiece of bad timing!

Feast of St Luke - Monday

Evangelist, and a physician from a Gentile Christian background. He was with St Paul on his second missionary journey and during his imprisonment in Rome. After Paul's death he is reputed to have worked in Greece.

St John Paul II - Friday

1920-2005. He was born in Wadowice, Poland, and felt a call to the priesthood during the Nazi occupation of Poland in 1942. Elected Pope in 1978, he made 104 international apostolic journeys, his Wednesday audiences were attended by 17.6 million people and he wrote a number of books.

SPUC Annual Torchlight Procession

On Thursday 28 October 2021, SPUC Scotland will hold the Annual Torchlight Procession to remember the lives lost from abortion over the last 54 years. Gathering at George Square, Glasgow, from 6pm, Rosary will commence at 6.30pm followed by the procession at 7pm to St Andrew's Cathedral, where Mass will begin at 7.30pm. All are welcome. For further information, please contact SPUC Scotland on 0141 221 2094.

Torchlight Rosary Procession

See the poster in the porch - this will be on 31st October at 3.30pm in preparation for COP 26 and will be led by young people and families.

Next Week's Readings

Jeremiah 31:7-9

I will guide them by a smooth path

Psalms 125

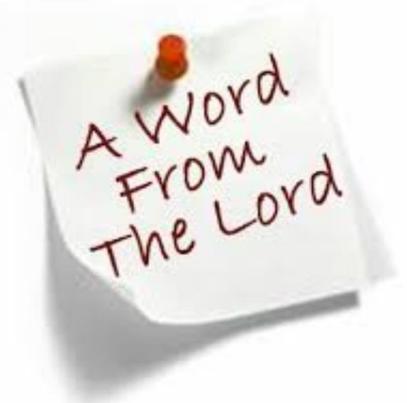
What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad

Hebrews 5:1-6

You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek and for ever

Mark 10:46-52

Go; your faith has saved you



Association for the Propagation of the Faith

It's once again time to renew membership. Cathie Fox is again unable to collect monies at the church porch. If you are a member of the APF and would like to keep up your contributions this year, please hand in your offering in an envelope to the Parish House clearly marked APF with your name. Family membership is £15, individual membership £10. If you are not yet a member, please consider joining this year. Your membership gives practical help to the mission of the Church and brings the blessing of the prayers of the Church in other countries for you and your family. More details can be provided. Just give your name and number to Fr Dougan and he will pass that on to Cathie.

MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend, at His Holiness Pope Francis' invitation, Catholics in parishes all over the world will be asked to contribute to a special collection for the Pontifical Mission Societies (PMS)—his official charity for overseas mission—during World Mission Sunday. This year, the theme is “We cannot remain silent about what we have seen and heard.” (Acts 4:20) That is to say, everything we have received from the Lord is meant to be put to good use and freely shared with others. Missio Scotland—the Scottish branch of the PMS—aims to share with you all some of the life-saving and life-giving work being undertaken by missionary priests, sisters and catechists in mission countries and territories throughout the world such as Fiji and Papua New Guinea.

Our missionary priests and religious live out their mission and support our brothers and sisters in faith throughout the world. Like them, you can help spread the Good News and play your part in the life of the universal Church by supporting Missio Scotland, so please give generously.

www.missioscotland.com <https://www.facebook.com/missioscotland> Tel: 01236 449774

SYNOD OF BISHOPS

At next weekend's Masses, I intend to talk about the upcoming Synod of Bishops. We as a parish will be invited to make our own contribution over the course of 4 meetings. I will speak about the timeline for this and how we might go about it. As well as discussing specific Church issues, it might also allow us a forum to discuss how the pandemic has affected us individually and collectively and what we can do to support each other as we come out the other side.

Preparing for the Synod of Bishops

“For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission.” Pope Francis invites us all to take part in the Synod which will reflect on these themes. Every parish is asked to come together in prayer, listening and discernment to hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to us. In communion with each other, we experience that “we belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God” (I Corinthians 3.23). Bishop Toal will mark the beginning of this synodal process with the celebration of Mass in Motherwell Cathedral this Sunday 17th October at 3pm. Make a note of this in your diary and take part in this important diocesan event. Please let your Parish Priest know you wish to attend.





Please remember in your prayers



Those who are sick

Heather Neilson, Denise Maria Cairns

Those who have died recently

Paul McAvoy, Anna Wilson, Doug Ross, Alison Hughes, John Charlie O'Hagan, Kathleen Smith, Agneska Sobieszuk, Jimmy Crilly, Patricia Berry (funeral Wed 10am)

The Months Minds and Anniversaries of

Paul Heneghan, Joe Cook, Alice and Michael Pakula, Michael Means, Jimmy, Johnny and Jim McDermott, Irene and Mark Stefanutti, Betty Ward, Susan Berry

Birthday Remebrance

Eddie Houston snr

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be no children's liturgy on 10th and 17th October.



Sick and Housebound

Because I visit the hospital, I have received my booster jab, so am more confident now about visiting people's homes without worrying about passing on infection. Over the next couple of weeks I would ask people to let me know of those who were previously visited and any who should be added.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

Last Sunday's Offertory

£1447.09+ GiftAid/Standing Orders £800.00

Stall	£87.46
Votive Candles	£138.45
Church Roof	£10.00

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YOU**

The Hall - A Few Things

- The Friendship Club has resumed on Thursdays at 1.30pm in the lounge
- There will be tea and biscuits in the hall lounge after the 10am Mass on Wednesday
- The mother and toddler group will meet on Thursdays between 10.30 and 12noon.
- Bushido Karate Club, Saturday, 9-11am, in the hall. This family orientated group welcomes new members of all ages and abilities. Contact Paul, 07552 082227 for more information.

