



OUR LADY of LOURDES

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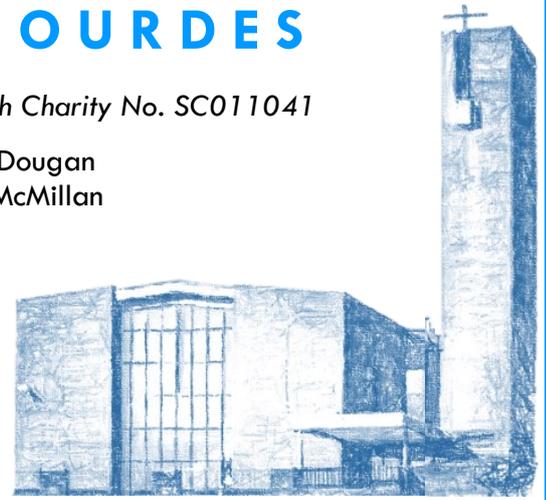
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The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year B 24 October 2021

Mass Times

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

This Week's Readings 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 31:7-9
I will guide them by a smooth path
Psalm 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

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 30

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Reflection on the Readings

At the end of extensive teaching on leadership, there comes a success story. Bartimaeus, the blind beggar, follows the classic steps to discipleship. He responds to Jesus' call; he leaves behind what he has been doing: he leaves his blanket, which is his bed, his protection against the cold, and his livelihood in which he collects donations. Finally, he follows Jesus. Bartimaeus does the opposite of everything the rich man did a couple of weeks ago.

MISSION SUNDAY

Mission Month and World Mission Sunday offer you the chance to support missionaries and the Church in proclaiming the Gospel throughout the world, particularly where the Church is young or poor, and remind us of the revitalising mission that is at the heart of our faith. The World Mission Sunday collection ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Your donations and prayers make a vital difference to our work in mission countries and territories and are an effective way by which you can support the universal Church. Thank you for your generosity.

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Feast of Ss Simon and Jude— Thursday

Simon is eleventh in the list of the twelve Apostles. He is known as Simon the Zealot, but nothing else is known about him. Jude, also called Thaddeus, is the apostle who at the Last Supper asked the Lord why he showed himself only to the disciples and not to the world. For many centuries he was scarcely venerated because people confused him with Judas Iscariot. He is the patron saint of lost and desperate causes.

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.

Confirmations

Bishop Toal will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the pupils of P7 on 17th Nov (St Louise) and 19th Nov (Our Lady of Lourdes). Please keep the young people in your prayers.

Next Week's Readings

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart

Psalms 17

I love you Lord my strength

Hebrews 7:23-28

Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood

Mark 12:28-34

You are not far from the kingdom of God



November Lists

These can be collected from the porch and returned next week, or at any time during the month of the Holy Souls.

Lord, in our grief we turn to you. Are you not the God of love who opens your ears to all? Listen to our prayers for your servants, whom you have called out of this world: lead them to your kingdom of light and peace and count them among the saints in glory.

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.

Stall

The stall now has a stock of Christmas Cards and gifts for you to buy.

Readers' Rota

Copies of the new rota are available in the porch

SYNOD OF BISHOPS

At this 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. 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.

There are three words that you will hear again and again, and should keep in mind:

COMMUNION
PARTICIPATION
MISSION

In a nutshell, these three terms aren't complicated.

They basically tell us:

- that we are all in this together in Christ (**Communion**),
- that we all have a part to play (**Participation**),
- and that we should always be looking outwards for ways to preach the Gospel to others (**Mission**).





Please remember in your prayers



Those who are sick

Heather Neilson, Denise Maria Cairns

Those who have died recently

Charlie Fearon, Maisie Robertson, Robert McNulty, Sean Gallagher, Gerard McLean (USA), John Quilter (Carlisle)

The Months Minds and Anniversaries of

Michael Emans, Violet Smith, Frank and Mary McWilliams, Teresa Woodside, Ann Little, Christina Samson, Alan Doyle, Mona Muldoon, Francis Bradley snr, Len Astell

Birthday Remembrance

Rosina McGinty

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The children's liturgy is on this weekend. We are always looking for new volunteers!



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

£1626.33+ GiftAid/Standing Orders £800.00

Stall	£77.91
Votive Candles	£118.76

**THANK
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.

