



OUR LADY of LOURDES

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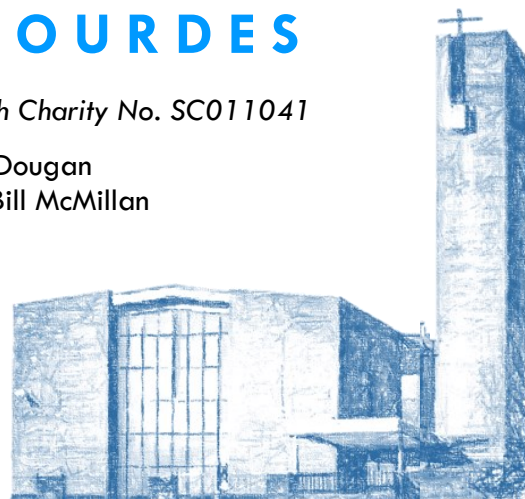


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Ordinary Week 7 / Year C 20 February 2022

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.

Autism-friendly Mass

2nd Sunday of each month at
2pm. Next Mass is 13th March



Services this coming week (21-27 Feb)

Monday	10am	Devotions
Tuesday	10am	Feast of Chair of St Peter
Wed	10am	Memorial of St Polycarp
Thurs	10am	Weekday Mass
Fri	10am	Weekday Mass
Sat	9.15-45	Confessions
	10am	Weekday Mass
	4.15-45	Confessions
	5pm	Vigil Mass for 8th Sunday of the Year
Sun	9am	Sunday Mass
	11am	Sunday Mass
	12.30pm	Baptism of Cailean MacDonald



Communal Prayers Throughout the Year

Tues - Fri 9.30am	Rosary
Sat 9.25am	Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary
Tuesdays after Mass	Mothers' Prayer Group begins with Rosary in the Church and then prayers in the Oratory
Wednesdays after Mass	Pro-life Prayer Group
Fri 1.30pm	Prayers for priests followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3pm
1st Saturday 9.15am	Miraculous Medal Novena & 1st Saturday Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima

All are welcome to these

Ordinary Time - 7th Sunday

This Week's Readings 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,11-13,22-23

Do not lift your hand against the Lord's anointed

Psalms 102(103)

The Lord is compassion and love

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

The first Adam became a living soul; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit

Luke 6:27-38

Love your enemies



Reflection on the Readings

More of Jesus' famous sermon. Much as in Matthew's version, in Luke's version Jesus' teaching demands action. Disciples are to love enemies, do good to those who hate them, pray for those who treat them badly. The listeners don't know this yet, but these are characteristics of Jesus' own ministry, and especially during his Passion. We will hear Jesus, being nailed to the cross praying: "Father forgive them. They don't know what they are doing."



Next Week's Readings 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8

The test of a man is in his conversation

Psalms 91(92)

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Death is swallowed up in victory

Luke 6:39-45

Can the blind lead the blind?

Tuesday - Chair of St Peter the Apostle

This is a feast which emphasises the teaching authority of the Pope. The chair (or 'cathedra') is the place from which each bishop teaches his people (and gives us the word 'cathedral'). The Pope presides over the whole Church and teaches us the Faith which unites us with each other.

Wednesday - St Polycarp (69-156)

He was a disciple of St John the Apostle, who made him Bishop of Smyrna, one of the seven churches mentioned in John's Apocalypse. He visited Rome to consult with Pope Anicetus, showing an early sign of respect for the successor of St Peter. Shortly after returning he was arrested by Roman officials. He was

Lent - Advance Notice

Lent begins on Wednesday 2nd March, so time to start thinking of what you want to do during the season. Full details of Mass times and other services will be in next week's bulletin.

Faith-sharing Groups

If anyone has led a faith-sharing group in the past and would like to do so again, then please speak to me and we can decide a time for this and advertise it next Sunday in time for Lent.

Lourdes Pilgrimage - Autumn 2022

I'd like to get moving on a possible pilgrimage to Lourdes either in September or October. We can't put a definite price on this until we have numbers, but the estimate for a week's pilgrimage, full-board with flights and transfers is just over £800.

For the moment, we are looking for numbers of people who might be interested. There are sheets in the porch for you to register interest. This does not mean you are committed to attending, but gives us an idea of numbers. The lists will be in the porch this weekend and next weekend and then we will take things from there.

Stall - Appeal for Volunteers

The parish is looking for volunteers (male or female) to help cover for the ladies who presently open the stall before and after the 3 weekend masses - Saturday vigil, Sunday 9 am mass and Sunday 11 am mass - when needed due to their absence (e.g. holidays, or illness).

A page will be available so that volunteers can leave their names and contact phone numbers with the person managing the stall at the weekend mass they attend/could assist at. Maureen Burns, the stall coordinator, would then get in touch to discuss what would be required.

It would be good to have a pool of helpers who can be called upon.

Church Cleaning

The church is cleaned regularly after morning mass on Fridays. Additional helpers are required to assist the present small group of stalwarts.

Please speak to Geraldine Snape or Father Dougan if you wish to join the gang.

Ignatian Online Lent Retreat

The online retreat is open to all and this year celebrates the 500 years since the conversion of St. Ignatius Loyola and is based on his life. Each day of Lent the retreat has an episode from the life of Ignatius, Music, Art, a reading from Scripture and a reflection. Participants can join an online group for a weekly meeting with others to share the fruits of their prayer.

Details can be found online at: <https://iscglasgow.co.uk/lent22.html>

Visits to the Housebound

Deacon Bill and I will start visiting the sick again during Lent. We have both recovered from Covid and have been triply vaccinated, so we feel we can safely do this.

Parking for Mass

I have been contacted by a local resident asking that I remind people to be careful not to block access to residents' driveways during Mass. I know that this is usually caused by strangers coming to funerals etc, but it is a good time to remind ourselves to be thoughtful to our neighbours when parking.



Please remember in your prayers



Those who are sick

Heather Neilson, Emilia McMillan, Jenny McDade, Bridie Dugan. Mgr Tom O'Hare

Those who have died recently

Colin Raulston, Marie Blue, Jimmy McClure, Isabelle Chatham, Mary McDowal, Nettie McKenna, Paul Botland

The Months Minds, Anniversaries, and Birthday Remembrances of

John Fellowes, Frank and Mary McWilliams, Teresa Woodside, Ann Little, Christina Samson, Davidia Hamill, Frank McMahan snr, David Roden, Bridget and Geoff Gardyne, Michael McLuskey, Austin Toner

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.

APPEAL FOR UNWANTED SEWING ITEMS

Do you have any unwanted fabric or thread in your cupboards? They would be gratefully received by refugees in Glasgow to use with a recently donated sewing machine. A box for donations will be at the back of the church. Thank you!

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

Last Sunday's Offertory

£1503 + Standing Orders £800.00

Votive Candles	£130
Stall	£79

**THANK
YOU**

(Arch)Bishop Nolan

Bishop Nolan gave an interview to the Herald which I have printed out. If you are interested, copies are available in the porch.

Bishop Nolan's installation Mass will be in Saturday 26th at 12noon. Numbers are limited, but it can be followed online:

Here is the link for YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DEwZHTCorUI>

Here is the link for Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ArchdioceseofGlasgow>

St Andrew's Hospice – Make a Will Month – March 2022

Make or update your Will and support St Andrew's Hospice during the month of March. Several Lanarkshire Legal Firms have agreed to write a basic Will or update an existing Will and waive their legal fee, in return for a donation to St Andrew's Hospice. For further information please contact Lorna McCafferty, Trusts, Legacy and Individual Giving Manager at St Andrew's Hospice on 01236 772087 or email lorna.mccafferty@standrews.scot.nhs.uk or visit the Hospice website :-www.st-andrews-hospice.com for details of the Solicitors taking part.