



OUR LADY of LOURDES

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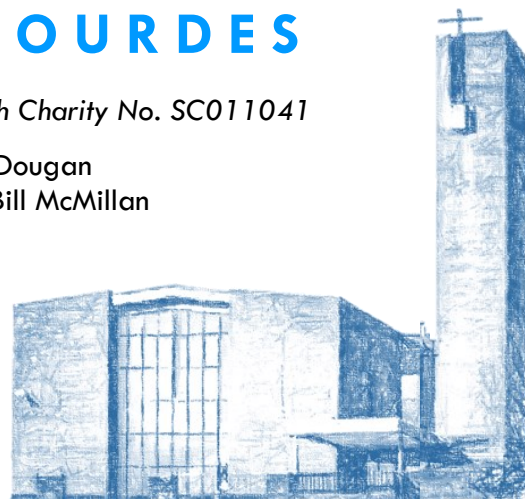
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CHURCH OPENING TIMES THIS WEEK

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 (28 Feb - 6 March)

Monday	10am	Devotions
Tuesday	10am	Eucharistic Service
Wed	10am	Ash Wed Mass
	7pm	Ash Wed Mass
Thurs	10am	Funeral of Robert Hart
	7pm	Weekday Mass
Fri	7am	Weekday Mass
	10am	Weekday Mass
Sat	9.15-45	Confessions
	10am	Weekday Mass
	4.15-45	Confessions
	5pm	Vigil Mass for 1st Sunday of Lent
Sun	9am	Sunday Mass
	11am	Sunday Mass
	12.30pm	Baptism of Annie Frances Walsh



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

Ordinary Time - 8th Sunday

This Week's Readings 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8

The test of a man in 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?



Reflection on the Readings

Jesus concludes his Sermon on the Plain. Like the Jewish wisdom teachers, Jesus uses proverbs and short parables to prompt his hearers to change their thinking, and then their actions. Good advice for us as we approach Lent. It's worth remembering that good fruit can only come from a sound tree. In Lent we might check the soundness of our spiritual tree, and remove the splinters from our own eyes before removing those of others!



Next Week's Readings 1st Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-12

The creed of the Chosen People

Psalms 90 (91)

Be with me O Lord in my distress

Romans 10:8-13

The creed of the Christian

Luke 4:1-13

The temptation in the wilderness

Eucharistic Service

On this coming Monday, instead of Mass at 10am, Deacon Bill will celebrate a Eucharistic service which will include the readings of the day and distribution of Holy Communion.

Tearoom

On Tuesday, after the 10am service, please come into the tearoom for pancakes and tea. There will be no tearoom this Wednesday (Ash Wednesday).

Ash Wednesday

This Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. There will be the usual 10am Mass as well as an evening Mass at 7pm.

Wednesday is also a day of fast and abstinence. This means not eating meat (abstinence) and having only one main meal and two light snacks (fasting). Abstinence applies to all adults; fasting applies to all adults up to the age of 60 with the exception of those in ill health.

Foodbank

Our next collection for the local Foodbank is the weekend of the 5/6th March. Bags containing tinned items, pasta, cereal, shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, toilet rolls will all be warmly received. In addition, any financial offering can be placed in the box at the back of the church and will be equally well received. As ever, thank you so much for your consideration in all of this.

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 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.

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.

Cardinal Winning Pro-Life Initiative Mass

A Mass to celebrate the 25th anniversary of this will be celebrated in St Andrew's Cathedral, Glasgow, on Wednesday 9th March at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Mothers' Day Candles

Candles for Mothers (or any other person special to you) will be available on the weekend of 12/13 March with a suggested price of £1. You would then bring your candles to church on 27th March (Mothers' Day) and place them at Our Lady's Altar where they will be blessed at Mass, after which they can be taken away.

Church Flowers

A huge thank you to the ladies who prepare such beautiful flowers for the church. The altar will be bare of flowers during Lent which will itself show us how much the flowers enhance the sanctuary at other times.



Please remember in your prayers



Those who are sick

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

Those who have died recently

Paul Borland, Robert Hart (funeral Thurs 10am)

The Months Minds, Anniversaries, and Birthday Remembrances of

Tommy, Annie and Thomas Flaherty, Betty Sweeney, James Branagan, Mary McDonnell, Emma Harkinson and Family, Ellen O'Kane, Jan Sproul, Ellen Symon, Francis Bradley jnr, Hugh Boland

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

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the generous people who went up into their loft or raked about in cupboards for sewing materials to donate to refugees in Garnethill.

My sister in St Bride's parish made the original request and a good amount was collected there, but a huge amount was donated here. It took her a day to sort everything and then pack it up for delivery on Tuesday. The thread alone filled two crates. It took quite an effort getting everything into one (large) car, but it was very gratefully received. My sister described our parishioners as "wonderful" and sent her "heartfelt thanks for the overwhelming response to the appeal".

Anne Russell

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

Last Sunday's Offertory

£1390 + Standing Orders £800.00

Votive Candles	£127
Stall	£58

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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>

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.