# **OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH**

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## 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 (Mission Sunday)

Mon	10:00 18:00	Devotions Reception of Remains
Tue	10:00	Funeral – Philomena McDermott
Wed	10:00	Mass Reception of Remains
Thu	10:00 19:00	Funeral – Robert Dunlop Confirmations (OLOL PS)
Fri	10:00	Mass
Sat	09:00 - 09:45 09:15 - 09:45 10:00 13:00 16:15 - 16:45	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Confessions Mass – Ss Simon & Jude Ecumenical Prayers for Peace Confessions

30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> October 2023

17:00 Vigil Mass of Sunday

Sun 09:00 Sunday Mass 11:00 Sunday Mass

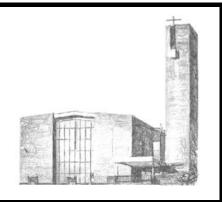
## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

<u>ISA 45:1,4-6</u> I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue nations before him

<u>PS 95 (96)</u> Give the Lord glory and power

 $\underline{1 \text{ THESS } 1:1-5}$  We constantly remember your faith, love and hope

MATT 22:15-21 Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar



## **REFLECTION ON THE READINGS**

The key here is a Pharisee carrying a Roman coin in the Roman precincts. A big deal? Yes! Roman coins had the head of Caesar on them. They carried an inscription: 'Tiberius, son of the divine Augustus', an image and a description of a false god – infringement of the 1<sup>st</sup> commandment. The coin carriers ask Jesus if it was lawful to pay taxes to Caesar. They give Caesar his due: but they do not give to God what is due!

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK Richard Carnichan

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Philomena McDermott (funeral Tues 10am), Robert Dunlop (funeral Thurs 10am), Kathleen Donaghey, Anne White, Susan McNamee, Joseph Conway, Nora MacDonald, John Daly, Siobhan Laughrie, Maggie O'Hagan

## ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Joan Molloy, John McQuillan, Francis Bradley, Violet Smith, Mary Taylor, Paul Steven, Frank & Mary McWilliams, Teresa Woodside, Ann Little, Christina Samson, James McWilliams, Len Astell, Agnes Hickey, Kathleen McGee

#### **COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU**

Cash	£1374
Envelopes	£
Standing Orders	£905
Estimated Gift Aid	£265
5	£2,544

Stall received **£50** and votives **£173**. Ecclesiastical Students **£980**.Thank you.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND October 22, 2023 (World Mission Sunday)

Take home a copy of the Mission Month magazine and read about the projects Missio Scotland is supporting in Sri Lanka, such as: nourishing children physically and educationally, providing women who have suffered greatly in their lives with the chance to earn a livelihood as well as literally and spiritually building the Church there. Mission Month and World Mission Sunday offer us 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, taken up worldwide, ensures that this life-saving and life-giving work can continue. Your donations and prayers make a vital difference to the Church's work in mission countries and are an effective way by which you can support the universal Church. Thank you for your generosity. www.missioscotland.com

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#### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Mon	18:30	Legion of Mary	Hall
Tue	09:00	Knitting and Craft Group	Hall
	09:25	Novena, Rosary & prayer for Priests	Church
	10:30	Mother's Prayer Group	Oratory
	19:30	Bingo	Hall
Wed	10:30	Café after morning Mass	Hall
	09:25	Novena, Rosary & prayer for Priests	Church
	09:25 10:30	Novena, Rosary & prayer for Priests Pro-life Prayer Group	Church Oratory
Thu			
Thu	10:30	Pro-life Prayer Group	Oratory
Thu Fri	10:30 10:30	Pro-life Prayer Group Mother and Toddler Group	Oratory Hall
	10:30 10:30 13:00	Pro-life Prayer Group Mother and Toddler Group Friendship Group	Oratory Hall Hall

## FUTURE SERVICES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES George Square Pro Life Torchlight Procession 26<sup>th</sup> Oct

The minibus for this will leave at 5.30pm from the bus stop opposite the church. Please put your name on the list if you wish to go along.

#### **Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

If this goes ahead it will probably be around the October week next year. The intention is to stay in Hosanna House. This is just outside Lourdes and is owned by HCPT. We would use this as a base for the pilgrimage events in Lourdes, and also to have our own spiritual and social activities in-house. There is no definite price just now, but the guesstimate would be around £860 for flights and full board accommodation. There are discounts for children on the price of accommodation: 2-11 year olds pay 50%; 12-15 year olds pay 75%. For the moment we are looking to gauge interest, so if you are interested please put your details on the sheet in the porch.

## **Confirmations**

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October, Bishop Toal will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the P7 boys and girls from Our Lady of Lourdes Primary. Please keep them in your prayers. The Bishop will be visiting the school on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **Ecumenical Prayers for Peace**

Faced with the urgency of the world-situation just now, Rev Kevin McKenzie (Westwood Church of Scotland Parish) and I have decided to bring our congregations to pray for peace. We will lead these prayers here on Saturday (28<sup>th</sup>) at 1pm. Please come along.

## **OTHER NOTICES**

## SSVP Appeal

Occasionally the SSVP require to transport furniture. It is often difficult to source transport for this. If anybody has access to a van and would be in a position to help on a very odd occasion please speak to any of the SSVP members.

## Loaves and Fishes Talk

Lesley Davidson, Chair of Loaves and Fishes, will speak at the Vigil and Sunday Masses on the weekend of 28/29th October outlining the impact your monthly generosity is having on the Foodbank and its users.

#### Hairmyres Pastoral Visits

From Monday 30th October, regular pastoral visits will be made to Hairmyres every Monday and Thursday afternoon. If anyone wishes for a loved one to be visited at those times please email Fr Colum Martin:

frmartin@rcdom.org.uk. For emergency visits at any time please ask the ward to contact the on-call chaplain.

## Mass for the Celebration of the Feast of Our Lady Queen of Palestine.

The Scottish Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre are celebrating the Annual Mass in honour of Our Lady Queen of Palestine in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral on Saturday 28th October at 11.30am. Bishop Toal will be main celebrant. In light of the tragic developments in Israel and Gaza it is an opportunity for to pray publicly for peace.