

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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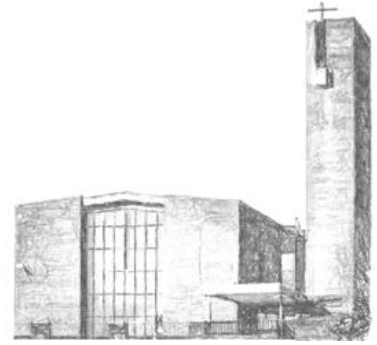
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## 32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023

|     |               |                                     |
|-----|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Mon | 10:00         | Devotions                           |
| Tue | 10:00         | Mass                                |
| Wed | 10:00         | Mass                                |
| Thu | 10:00         | Mass – St Margaret of Scotland      |
|     | 19:00         | Mass – St Margaret of Scotland      |
| Fri | 10:00         | Mass - St Elizabeth of Hungary      |
| Sat | 09:00 - 09:45 | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
|     | 09:15 - 09:45 | Confessions                         |
|     | 10:00         | Mass                                |
|     | 16:15 - 16:45 | Confessions                         |

## 33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023

|     |       |                                |
|-----|-------|--------------------------------|
|     | 17:00 | Vigil Mass of Sunday           |
| Sun | 09:00 | Sunday Mass                    |
|     | 11:00 | Sunday Mass                    |
|     | 14:00 | Cemetery Service – Philipshill |
|     | 18:00 | Reception of Remains           |

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

WIS 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for her.

PS 62:2-8 R.2

For you my soul is thirsting, O God my God.

1 THESS 4:13-18

God will bring with him those who have died in Jesus.

MATT 25:1-13

The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him.

### REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

The remaining Sunday gospels are devoted to parables unique to Matthew. This one puzzles many people: five bridesmaids run out of oil for their lamps, and their five colleagues who saved their oil refuse to share in case they too run out! Is this Christian behaviour? We need to remember that the sole purpose of bridesmaids was to have a light ready for the bridegroom. The five without oil have simply not carried out their only task!

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### THE SICK

Richard Carnichan.

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

May O'Neil (funeral, on Mon 20th 10:00), Margaret Thomson, Elizabeth Meechan (funeral, Fri 10:00), Mary McPake, Lachlan Herbert, Gerry McCabe, Rosemary MacDonald, Elizabeth Scott, Ann Milliken, Jim Connelly.

#### ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Theresa Tennyson, Angela Mitchell, Catianna Darragh, Judy Hughes.

### COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Cash               | £1,471        |
| Envelopes          | £313          |
| Standing Orders    | £905          |
| Estimated Gift Aid | £265          |
|                    | <b>£2,954</b> |

Stall received **£130** and votives **£218**.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND

### KEVIN KIRBY – PROFESSION OF FAITH

In preparation for his Diaconate Ordination on 8<sup>th</sup> December (get it in your diaries!), Kevin will make a public profession of faith and oath of fidelity. He will do this at Saturday Vigil and Sunday 09:00 Masses this weekend.

### PRO-LIFE CHRISTMAS HAMPER

Raffle tickets will be on sale for this after all Masses next week.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### ADVENT FAITH SHARING GROUP

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 18:30 in the Oratory and each Monday thereafter until 18<sup>th</sup> December.

Would like to spend some time away from the hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping? Would like to spend some time in quiet reflection and contemplation of this Holy Season?

Then you might like to join us during Advent, as we walk through Sacred Scripture towards the Birth of Our Lord.

We would love to welcome you! For more details, contact Esther on 07954652268 or eadaly44@msn.com.

### MASS TO CELEBRATE THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 19:00, Mass for the Solemnity of the Dedication of Our Lady of Good Aid, marking the close of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Motherwell Diocese.

### ANNUAL EDUCATION MASS

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 19:00, Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Bishop Toal will be the celebrant.

### 'MAY THEY REST IN PEACE'

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 19:30, Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral. The Diocesan Choir will present a programme of music and readings to mark the Month of the Holy Souls. The performance will include elements of the Latin Plainsong Requiem Mass with traditional music of the Holy Souls and the Requiem by John Rutter. Admission is free – All are welcome.

### ECUMENICAL EVENING PRAYER HONOURING ST MARGARET

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 19:00 in St Aloysius' Church, Rose Street, Glasgow, marking the St Margaret Declaration.

|     |       |                                     |         |
|-----|-------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Mon | 18:30 | Legion of Mary                      | Hall    |
|     | 18:30 | Faith sharing Group                 | Oratory |
| 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  |
|     | 10:30 | Pro-life Prayer Group               | Oratory |
| Thu | 10:30 | Mother and Toddler Group            | Hall    |
|     | 13:00 | Friendship Group                    | Hall    |
| Fri | 09:25 | Novena, Rosary & prayer for Priests | Church  |
|     | 13:30 | Prayer for priests & vocations      | Church  |

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## FUTURE SERVICES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### CEMETERY SERVICE

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 14:00 at Philipshill Cemetery, for those buried in the cemetery and for all our faithful departed.

### MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 10:00. For all our dead, especially those whose parish funerals were celebrated in the past year. Please mention this to anyone you think would be interested.

### KEVIN KIRBY- DIACONAL ORDINATION

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 19:00, here at Our Lady of Lourdes. Reception in the Parish Hall after. All welcome.

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## OTHER NOTICES

### THANK YOU

The family of the late Philomena McDermott would like to express their gratitude to Our Lady of Lourdes' parishioners for all their messages and Mass cards following the passage of Mum. A huge thank you to Fr Dougan for a very special funeral Mass and to Deacon Bill for his beautiful prayers at the cemetery. Holy Mass will be offered for the intentions of all. Thank you.

### WARM PLACES INITIATIVE

Some weeks ago, we were invited to participate in a Warm Places Initiative under the guidance of an East Kilbride Poverty Alliance group. We accepted immediately but have yet to hear anything from them in return. We have decided to proceed independently and propose the following initial undertaking.

- Offer a soup and roll lunch with a hot drink and biscuits/cakes between 12:00 – 14:00 on the first four Fridays of December (1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>) in the hall.
- Open to all, funding will be accessed to make this provision free.
- We will need help, and details of how to volunteer will be in next week's bulletin.
- Depending on its success, we would like to continue this from January to the end of March.