

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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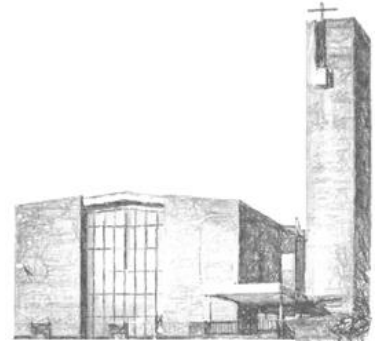
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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 27th and 28th January 2024

Mon	10:00	Devotions
Tue	10:00	NO SERVICE – church open for private prayer.
Wed	10:00	Eucharistic Service
Thu	10:00	Mass
	18:15 - 18:45	NO CONFESSIONS
	19:00	NO MASS
Fri	10:00	Eucharistic Service
Sat	09:00 - 09:45	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09:15 - 09:45	NO CONFESSIONS
	10:00	Eucharistic Service
	16:15 - 16:45	Confessions

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B 3rd and 4th February 2024

	17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sun	09:00	Sunday Mass
	11:00	Sunday Mass

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

DEUT 18:15-20

I will raise up a prophet and I will put my words into his mouth.

PS 94:1-2, 6-9 R. 9

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

1 COR 7:32-35

An unmarried woman can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy.

MARK 1:21-28

He taught them with authority.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

A busy day at Capernaum! Mark's account of Jesus' first miracle is the casting out of an unclean spirit in the synagogue, interestingly described as new teaching - not new action. Before this action, people were amazed at Jesus' words, not related by Mark, but impressive enough for the congregation to recognise words of authority, unlike those of their own scribes. Jesus teaches in words and actions which are totally consistent with each other.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK

John Docherty, Michael and Stephen O'Hagan.

RECENTLY DECEASED

John Russell, Margaret Gannon, Alice Horn, Patricia Gough, Chuck Bartels, Kathleen Cochran, Eileen Haggerty, Pat Fraser, Margaret Toner, Sean Perry, Mary McCann (funeral 6th Feb), Eileen Hamilton (funeral 12th Feb), Christopher McGuire, Betty Ralston, Margaret Leonard.

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Harriet Callaghan, Elizabeth O'Brien, John McQuillan, Emma Harkinson, Catherine McCulloch, Tommy, Annie and Thomas Flaherty, Betty Sweeney, Winnie Howarth.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Cash	£1,400
Envelopes	£303
Standing Orders	£905
Estimated Gift Aid	£265
	£2,873

The stall received **£40**, votives **£146**, Day by Day **£812**.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

CONVERSION AND A LITERARY MARRIAGE

Thursday 1st February, 19:30. The Newman Association has organised a meeting in The Parish Hall, Immaculate Conception Church, 2049 Maryhill Road, Glasgow when Dr. Linden Bicket will present the above talk.

FRIDAY DROP-IN LUNCH

Friday 2nd February at 10:30. Tea/Coffee and Toast will be served then with soup becoming available from around 11.15. All are welcome to access this resource and while away an hour or two during the winter months.

FOODBANK

The next collection for our Foodbanks is next weekend, 3rd/4th February. As ever, thank you so much for your unyielding support for those most in need among us.

In 2023, thanks to your incredible generosity, the Community Foodbank received 166 bags and £16,658 with Loaves and Fishes receiving £14,963.

VISITING PRIEST

Fr Franco from the Comboni Fathers will celebrate the Sunday Masses next weekend.

OTHER NOTICES

COMINGS AND GOINGS

Fr Frank's final Sunday Masses are this weekend. He will then go on holiday for a week and leave the parish sometime during the week beginning 4th February.

The new Parish Priest, Fr Kenny Campbell, will be in place by Sunday, 11th February, just before the beginning of Lent.

Please keep both in your prayers.

FR FRANK'S ORDINATION

Fr Frank's ordination date will be Saturday 9th March at St Peter's Ardrossan. This is a smaller place than when Archbishop Nolan was ordained Bishop of Galloway, so unfortunately, there is not the same availability of tickets. Our parish will be allocated tickets in the same way as other Galloway parishes, but at the moment, we do not know how many there will be.

It will be something that Fr Campbell will be able to work out with you in February. The Mass will also be streamed.

THANK YOU

The family of John Russell would like to thank all those who attended and participated in the Requiem Mass for John. Thank you to Bishop Toal and Fr Dominic Quinn and to Deacons John McGarry and Michael Ross who joined our own clergy. Gratitude to Michael and Claire for the music which enhanced the beautiful Mass celebrated by Fr Dougan, to whom we owe so much. Thank you to the young people from St Andrew and St Bride's High School, who served at Mass and who formed the honour guard with the St Vincent de Paul members as John left our church for the last time.

Thank you to the many who had mass offered for John, who sent flowers and cards, who visited, phoned or wrote to offer sympathy.

Grateful thanks to John Donnelly and his staff for their warm-hearted care of all our family.

To Fr Dougan, Deacon Bill, Deacon Kevin, and the St Vincent de Paul members, thank you for your kindness over the last weeks. And special thanks to the wonderful parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes who continue to support Anne through these difficult days.

Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

THE BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF SCOTLAND JUSTICE AND PEACE COMMISSION

The National Commission for Justice and Peace advises the Scottish Bishops' Conference of the Catholic Church in matters relating to social justice, international peace and human rights, and promotes action in these areas. It works in accordance with the Social Teaching of the Catholic Church.

VACANCY- CAMPAIGNS, COMMUNICATION AND EVENTS COORDINATOR

This post will at once be challenging and rewarding. The successful candidate will be expected to motivate, reinvigorate and coordinate the existing work of the commission, as well as encourage new activity in the area of Justice and Peace in Scotland.

Applicants for the post must be able to evidence an ability to build a high profile for Justice and Peace through communication, campaigning and organising events. They should also be able to demonstrate a good grasp of world affairs and politics. They must have the ability to motivate and encourage people from all sections of the community to become aware and involved in meaningful and manageable action. Digital and social networking skills are essential. The successful candidate will be a highly motivated individual who has a proven track record of being able to work on their own initiative.

Salary - £21,000