

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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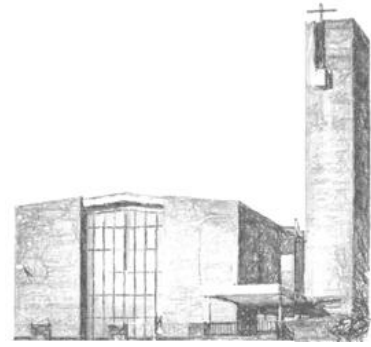
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9th August 2026

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SERVICES FOR 10th - 16th August 2026

Monday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass

Tuesday

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10:00	Mass

Wednesday

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10:00	Mass

Thursday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Funeral Mass of Liz Kelly
18:15 – 18:45	Confessions
19:00	Mass

Friday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass

Saturday

10:00	Litany & Holy Rosary
9:15 – 9:45	Confessions
10:00	Mass
15:15 – 15:45	Confessions
16:00	Vigil Mass

Sunday

09:00	Sunday Mass
11:00	Sunday Mass

SUMMER SCHEDULE ENDS!

Saturday 10am Mass resumes this week with Confessions immediately before the Mass.

Likewise, the Thursday evening Mass also recommences this week. Again, there will be Confessions before Mass.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Offertory cash	£1,380
Envelopes	£285
Digital Weekly Collection	£636
Stall	£35
Votives	£130
Digital Building Fund	£244

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

READING 1-1 KINGS 19:9A, 11-13A

Stand on the mount before the Lord.

PSALM 85(84)

Show us O Lord your mercy, and grant us your salvation.

READING 2- ROM 9:1-5

I wish that I were accursed for the sake of my brothers and sisters. He has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

GOSPEL-MT 14:22-33

Command me to come to you on the water.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Our initial reaction to Peter's attempt to walk on water is probably sympathy: he clearly believes that Jesus can make it possible for him to walk on water...but on this water? ...right now? Peter has made a fundamental mistake though. He says "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you". He is putting the Lord to the test (cf. Deuteronomy 6:16) - just as Satan tried to do in the desert following Jesus' baptism.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RIP: Liz Kelly, Marie Henie, Rae O'Donnell, Harry Dillon.

ANNIVERSARIES: Charles McLean, Perter Cairns, Harry Hunter.

SICK: Nora Houston.

FUNERALS: Liz Kelly - Funeral 10am Thursday 12th Aug.

NOTICES, FUTURE EVENTS & SERVICES

WELCOME!

With the beginning of the new school year this week, many of us will have returned from holidays. Hopefully, we will do so feeling refreshed and ready for the new session. Soon we will all be busy again in lots of ways and as the new term begins, we ask God's blessing on the time ahead

ANNUAL VOCATIONS MASS

The Annual Diocesan Vocations Mass will take place on Tuesday 25th August in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Motherwell, at 7pm. Please pray for our five seminarians, and for those who will follow them. It is hoped that a couple of young men, who have been meeting with our Vocations Director, Fr Charlie O'Farrell, will join the Propaedeutic Period in Salamanca in January 2026. Please note, a bus will leave from the stop opposite the Church at 6.15pm. If you wish to reserve a place then please add your name to the list in the porch.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS

A bus will leave from the stop opposite the Church on 13th August at 6.30pm. If you wish a place add your name to the list. Rosary at 7pm, followed by Mass.

SACRAMENTS 2027

I ask parents with children in P4 to take careful note of a meeting here at 10.30am on Saturday 3rd October. This meeting will be facilitated by Mary & Michael Ross and will last exactly one hour. On that day there will be a range of appointments to meet on an individual basis with Fr. Kenny or (Deacon) Joe Dowds. I would hope these meetings could take place before the end of October so that dates could be decided upon for next year's celebrations.

DAY TRIP TO MILLPORT

The day trip to Largs/Millport is now only two weeks away. We have approximately 12 places left on the bus. If you have already expressed your interest and still want to come, please see any member of the social committee who will be at the back of the church after each of the weekend Masses. The bus will leave from OLOL at 09:30am and we aim to leave Largs at 6pm for the return to East Kilbride.

CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

The Village Theatre. Jack and the Beanstalk. Friday night 18th December. £10.50 per person. A list will be on the notice board; please put name, number of tickets and telephone number. Tickets to be paid by 16th October.

BUILDING FUNDRAISER- SAVE THE DATE

Friday 18th September 7pm to 11:30pm Celtic Q&A with Peter Grant and Peter Martin, followed by Irish Folk singer Chris Docherty in OLOL Church Hall. Information on Tickets priced £10 will be available in bulletin next week.

CATHOLIC APPROVAL

At the start of the school year, it is good to remind teachers and others interested in working in the Catholic education sector that approval is required from a priest. It is incumbent on interested parties to ensure that I know who you are before you request approval. Please do not embarrass me by inviting me to provide approval if I do not know you or you do not fulfil the criteria.

ASSISTED DYING FOR TERMINALLY ILL ADULTS

The Assisted Dying Bill in the UK Parliament failed in June 2026 as it was out of time and did not complete the scrutiny in the House of Lords. It is now being brought back to the UK Parliament as a Private Members Bill and a vote in the Commons will take place on 11th September. This Bill will deliver the same unsafe outcomes and will also seek to be passed into law without the full scrutiny of the House of Lords. The East Kilbride MP, Joani Reid, voted for the bill in the Commons. Bishop John Keenan has asked all Catholics in Scotland to lobby our MPs to get them to vote against this Bill. A letter has been prepared and only needs your name and address added. Copies will be available in the porch. Letters from all the parishes in East Kilbride will be collected and presented to our MP to show the level of opposition among her East Kilbride constituents. Lobbying of MSPs defeated the McArthur Bill in the Scottish Parliament and, if the UK Bill is passed, this will give encouragement for a new bill to be proposed for Scotland.

50/50 WINNERS

Congratulations to the July winners:

£250 - Charles McAuley - 118/£150 - Mary Gallacher - 66
£100 James Lee - 186/£50 - Duncan Blackburn - 181 £ 25
Dorothy Curley - 48

PROPOSED NEW CHURCH ROOF & MORTAR REPAIRS

Design work is now complete and the tender documents are ready to be issued to selected contractors for pricing under competitive tender. This will happen in the next few weeks as the tender list is finalised. We should then receive tenders by late September / early October. All being well, and subject to diocese approval, we are on programme to commence construction works during the early months of 2027. The estimated cost of the works is around £1.4 million subject, obviously, to receipt of competitive tenders. We are now working towards applying for available grants, which, if successful, should assist, although this funding is expected to be quite small in relation to the overall anticipated cost of the works. Our neighbours will be advised of the upcoming works by letter drop (probably by late September) and there will be an opportunity for all parishioners and neighbours to meet the design team to discuss the works in more detail during October or November. Details of this evening event will be published in the bulletin.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

To May McClusky who celebrates her 90th Birthday on Monday 10th August - AD MULTOS ANNOS

DIGITAL SUNDAY OFFERING

The following QR Code or link takes you to a secure web page that can be used for your Sunday Offering.



Please note that not only can you donate your weekly donation online, but there is also provision to give a donation for any special collections.

<https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-of-lourdes-church>

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