

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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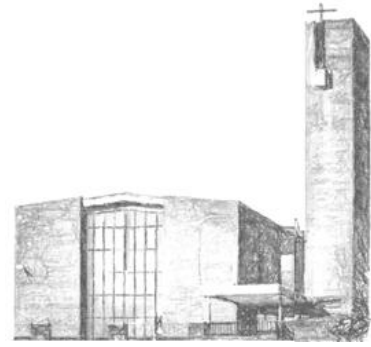
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23rd August 2026

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

SERVICES FOR 24th – 30th August 2026

Monday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass

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Thursday

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10:00	Mass
18:15 – 18:45	Confessions
19:00	Mass

Friday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
18:00	Reception of Bel Radigan RIP

Saturday

10:00	Litany & Holy Rosary
9:15 – 9:45	Confessions
10:00	Funeral Mass of Bel Radigan RIP
15:15 – 15:45	Confessions
16:00	Vigil Mass

Sunday

09:00	Sunday Mass
11:00	Sunday Mass

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Offertory cash	£1,415
Envelopes	£305
Digital Weekly Collection	£217
Stall	£20
Votives	£175
Digital Building Fund	£62

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

READING 1-1IS 22:15. 19-23

PSALM 138(37)

READING 2- ROM 11:33-36

GOSPEL- MT 16:13-20

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

When Simon says that Jesus is "the Christ, the Son of the living God", Jesus responds in Matthew's account by renaming Simon as Peter' the Rock on which Jesus will build his church. Gates of Hell won't prevail against it. Peter holds the keys of the kingdom of heaven, with power to bind and loose: power rabbis claimed for themselves. Peter (and later the entire group of apostles) are thus given authority to pronounce on the true teaching of Christ

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RIP: Tricia McHale, Leonard McKague, Isabella (Bel) Radigan, Grace Margaret Downes, Elaine O'Donnell

ANNIVERSARIES: : Hugh McDonnell, James McCole

Maureen Finlay, James Deary, Christina Farren,

Stephen Russell, Margaret Mary Gardyne, Teresa Woodside.

Bridget & James Gardyne, Norman Blackburn

Frances McCrossan, Bridget McLean, John McLean Snr,

John McLean Jnr,

MONTHS MIND: Frank & Mary McWilliams, Ann Little
Christina Samson

FUNERALS: Bel Radigan - Funeral 10am Sat 29" Aug

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE: Harry Carroll

NOTICES, FUTURE EVENTS & SERVICES

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

This weekend the box will be out to receive your donations for the foodbank.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee will meet on Monday 24th August at 7pm in the Parish House.

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.

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.

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

All tickets are now sold out for our Celtic Q&A with Peter Grant and Peter Martin, followed by Irish Folk singer Chris Docherty in OLOL Church Hall on Friday 18th September 7pm to 11:30pm. Massive thanks to Adrian of The Sign Company for sponsorship of the event (<https://www.thesignco.co>)

ARCHBISHOP RINO FISICHELLA

The Pro Prefect for the Vatican Dicastery of Evangelization will visit the Diocese on Thursday 24th September, the Archbishop will celebrate Mass in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral at 7.00 pm. This Mass is open to all parishioners in the Diocese

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

In preparation for the new session for adults wishing to learn more about the Catholic Church I ask the team to meet on Monday 14th September at 7pm in the Parish House.

PASTORAL PLANNING GROUP

The Pastoral Planning Group will meet in the Parish House on Tuesday 1st September at 7pm

CARITAS CAFÉ

Begins today in hall after 11am Mass

THE ANNUAL DEANERY APPEAL

The Franciscan Missionary Sisters will be here for an appeal the weekend of 19th/20th September.

THE HALL

Friday tea and toast will restart on Friday 11th September.

Toddlers group will restart at 10.30am on Thursday 10th September

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

There will be a second collection for Aid to the Church in Need, who are a Pontifical Foundation of the Church on August 29th & 30th in the parish. ACN has over 5000 projects in more than 140 countries around the world. Peter Diamond, ACN Scotland, will speak at the Masses and share information about Persecuted Christians, who face all kinds of terrible hardships, just for believing in Jesus.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The first session of the school year takes place on Sunday 6th September at the 11am Mass. All primary school children are most welcome to attend

MANY HAPPY RETURNS

To Anne Low who celebrated a significant birthday recently. I've been warned not to publish her age but she looks fabulous for it!

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.

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>

You can also register for Gift Aid or Gift Aid your offering. Only those who Gift Aid will have their details recorded. You can also include a short message.