St Mary's Lanark

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



25th August 2024

St Mary's Clubrooms Bookings: 07300857616

Saint Vincent de Paul Helpline: 07565396878

Daily Mass & Devotions from St Mary's are broadcast on the parish YouTube Channel.

Sunday 25th August St Mary's Church will close after the 5pm Mass

10.30am Holy Mass for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)

- 12noon Holy Mass for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Holy Trinity)
- 5.00pm Holy Mass for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)

Monday 26th August St Mary's Church will be opened Monday - Friday from 8am until 5pm

- 9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary
- 9.30am Holy Mass

Tuesday 27th August

- 10.00am Holy Mass (St Catherine's)
- 11.30am Confessions until 11.55am
- 11.40am Recitation of the Holy Rosary
- 12noon Angelus & Holy Mass

Wednesday 28th August

- 9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary
- 9.30am Holy Mass

7.00pm Online Zoom Rosary (Meeting ID: 832 0468 2198 Passcode: 746256)

Thursday 29th August

- 9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary
- 9.30am Holy Mass
- 7.30pm The Choir of St Mary's Weekly Rehearsal (St Mary's Clubrooms)

Friday 30th August

- 9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary
- 9.30am Holy Mass

Saturday 31st August St Mary's Church will open at 8am and close after the 5pm Mass NO CONFESSIONS OR MORNING MASS TODAY

- 4.30pm Recitation of the Holy Rosary
- 4.30pm Confessions until 4.50pm
- 5.00pm Holy Mass for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)

Sunday 1st September *St Mary's Church will close after the 5pm Mass*

10.30am Holy Mass for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)

11.15am Coffee Morning (St Mary's Clubrooms)

NO 12NOON OR 5PM MASS TODAY

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Please Pray For The Following

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Recently Dead: Therese Kennedy; Patrick Lynch (Wishaw); Bernard Rock (London); John McDonald; Tom Keatings; Pauline Dempsey (Ayr); Pauline Thompson (Liverpool); Gerry McKenna; William Sherry.

Months Minds & Anniversaries: Mary McLean; Evelyn O'Leary; Thomas Cloonan; Agnes Jack; Cis Doolan; Rosina Baird; Betty Thomson; Pat McGarrigle; James Lambert; Ella Lambert; Thomas McCallum; Kathleen Grieve; Lawrence Hynds.

Aeternam dona eis, Domine

Extraordinary Ministers Visiting Sick

It is important we acknowledge the dedication shown by those who take Holy Communion to the sick in their homes or care facilities. Although some of our more experienced Extraordinary Ministers are coming to the end of their term for ministry within Mass, we hope they will continue to take Holy Communion to the sick they have built up great relationships with. This is such a special ministry with many Extraordinary Ministers showing great care and attention to those they visit.

If you take Holy Communion to the sick and housebound you are to come forward last for Holy Communion to the priest, receive Holy Communion yourself, and then open your pyx and indicate how many hosts you require. Once you receive Holy Communion in your pyx you are to leave the church immediately and attend to the sick. If you are a passkeeper or have other responsibilities then cover should be sought, but no one should be otherwise engaged or talking whilst in possession of the Blessed Sacrament.

If you require clarity or further instruction please speak directly to Fr John-Paul.

St Mary's Annual BBQ - St Mary's Social Committee



Readers:

St Mary's Social Committee would like to thank everyone who helped make this year's BBQ a great success, raising **£3,004**. Our prayers were answered as it stayed dry and the sun eventually made an appearance. It was a wonderful parish event and great to see the hall filled to capacity. A special thank you to all our helpers, bakers and those who gave donations for the raffle and stalls. Thanks to all the children's entertainers and to Red Watch from Lanark Fire Station. We are so blessed to have such amazing parishioners who support our parish events. Thank you!

	Parish We	sh Weekly Finances		
Offertory Collection & Donations:	£ 1	£ 1,260.00 St Marys Mission		ssion RCDM
Standing Orders:	£	283.50	80-17-02	00265809
Votives:	£	196.00	Thank you <i>for your</i>	
Stall:	£	50.00	continued generosity	

St Mary's Ministry Rota

| Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

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24th/25th August		7th/8th September		24th/25th August		7th/8th September	
5.00pm	R. McConnell	5.00pm	F. Chung	5.00pm	M. Keenan	5.00pm	A. Dempsey
10.30am	P. Roberts	10.30am	R. Colpitts		P. Stewart		C. Scott
5.00pm	S. Casserly	5.00pm	N. Donnelly	10.30am	C. Duddy	10.30am	J. McAlavey
					V. Hilland		M. Davis
					D. McFarlane		C. O'Brien
<u>31st Aug / 1st Sept</u>		14th/15th September		<u>31st Aug / 1st Sept</u>		14th/15 September	
5.00pm		5.00pm	T. Coia	5.00pm	A. Dempsey	5.00pm	J. McEwan
10.30am		10.30am	E. McCabe		C. Scott		C. McClafferty
5.00pm		5.00pm	M. Davis	10.30am	J. Littlejohn	10.30am	J. Littlejohn
					M. Keenan		M. Keenan
					J. McAlavey		N. Keenan

St Mary's Social Committee - Quiz Night Friday 13th September

St Mary's Social Committee are hosting a Quiz Night on Friday 13th September 2024. The Clubrooms will open at 7pm with Quiz starting at 7.30pm.

If you are planning to enter a team, please can you let a member of the social committee know. Entry price is £2 per person. Maximum number in team is 6 people. Bar will be open for refreshments.



As some of our more experienced Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion come to the end of their term, Fr John-Paul has started to approach some parishioners to invite them to take on this important role within the Church. If you are asked, please consider carefully before accepting or declining. It can seem quite a daunting task, and perhaps nerve-wracking, but trust in God's grace and pray about it before responding.

Second Collection 7th/8th September

At all Masses on weekend 7th/8th September we will have our annual Ecclesiastical Students collection to help support the Diocese in covering the costs of those training for the priesthood. At present we have 5 men in training: Christopher, Kieran, Aidan Matthew and Christopher. Please pray for these men as they continue to discern God's call in their lives.

St Vincent de Paul President

After 25 years service as President of the St Vincent de Paul Society Conference in St Mary's, Kevan Carty has stood down from the post. We thank Kevan for his outstanding service and commitment to helping those in need. Andrew Dempsey has taken over as President.

Clydesdale Foodbank Collection

Our Monthly Foodbank Collection will take place **next weekend**. Bags of groceries or essentials can be

handed to a Passkeeper or into the sacristy. Any monetary donations can be handed into the sacristy or placed in the collection bag with your weekly offering, clearly marked FOODBANK.



Thank you for your continued generosity

Monday Club

The Monday Club recommences on the 26th of August at 1pm in St Mary's Clubrooms. We are delighted to have, as our first guest, Mr Roland Russell. NEW members are needed so please come along and support the club. Anne Watson *Chairperson*

Parish Day at Carfin Grotto

We are delighted to announce that our annual pilgrimage to Carfin Grotto will be on **Monday 16th September.** Mass will be celebrated in the Glass Chapel at 1pm, followed by High Tea in the Xavier Centre. The St Vincent de Paul society are organising the pilgrimage and have hired a bus which will leave St Mary's at 12noon and return around 4.45pm. There is a sheet in the stall for names.

Special Collection - St Mary's Gardening Fund

We are so blessed to have such beautiful grounds around our church, and more blessed to have so many wonderful volunteers take care of the grounds!! This year the circle has been beautiful with an array of new flowers and colours, and may people have commented how spectacular the colours are. We are always looking for more people to join our Gardening Team, to help with watering, planting and maintaining the circle and pots. We are also open to families "adopting" a pot or planter and taking care of it. For more information please contact Siobhan Gainford: siobhan.gainford@gmail.com

To help support the wonderful work of the gardeners a retiral collection will be taken up on 21st/22nd September.

Welcome Mass

Next Sunday, 1st September, we welcome the children and their families from St Mary's Primary School as they join us for their annual Welcome Mass at 10.30am. St Mary's Church and St Mary's Primary School have always enjoyed a good working relationship and it is always a great joy to welcome the children and their families to Mass.



Papal Ambassador

History of Apostolic Nunciature

The Apostolic Nunciature to Great Britain is the diplomatic office of the Holy See in Great Britain. It is headed by the Apostolic Nuncio, who has the rank of an ambassador (officially, the Apostolic Nuncio to the Court of St James). The parties agreed to exchange representatives at the ambassadorial level and Pope John Paul II erected the Nunciature to Great Britain on 17 January 1982. Before then, the interests of the Holy See in Great Britain had been represented by an Apostolic Delegate since 1938, though not granted diplomatic status until 1979.

The decision to designate the nuncio to Great Britain rather than the United Kingdom reflected the complex and frequently antagonistic relationship between the Holy See and the British crown since they severed ties in the sixteenth century. British government sources said it had been agreed that the nuncio in London would concern himself with matters in England, Scotland and Wales, while the Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland, based in Dublin, would have within his purview the entire island of Ireland.

Current Apostolic Nuncio

Pope Francis named Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendia as Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain on Thursday, 13 April 2023. Born in Madrid on 19 November 1955, Archbishop Maury Buendia studied philosophy and theology at the Conciliar Seminary of Madrid before being ordained a priest for the Archdiocese on 26 June 1980. He followed a two-year program of studies at the Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy in Rome, and entered the Holy See's diplomatic service in July 1987, serving in diplomatic missions in several countries such as Rwanda, Uganda, Morocco, Nicaragua, Egypt, Slovenia and Ireland.



In 2004, having served in diplomatic missions in several countries, he was called to the Section for Relations with States within the Secretariat of State of the Holy See. Four years later, in 2008, he was appointed titular Archbishop of Italica and Apostolic Nuncio to Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.

Pope Francis appointed him Apostolic Nuncio to Romania on 5 December 2015, and to the Republic of Moldova on 25 January 2016. He was appointed the Apostolic Nuncio to the Court of St James's in April 2023, filling a post vacant since the previous Nuncio to Great Britain, Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti, was named prefect of the Dicastery for the Eastern Churches on 21 November 2022.

Protocol when meeting the Nuncio or Bishop

When we meet a Bishop, Archbishop, Cardinal, Apostolic Nuncio or Pope, when we say hello we should slightly bow our heads as a mark of respect to the dignitary as a representative of Christ himself. When we shake his hand we should kiss his episcopal ring as a sign of obedience and allegiance.

The Apostolic Nuncio is addressed as **Your Excellency** The Bishop is addressed as **My Lord**

Visit of the Papal Nuncio to Motherwell Diocese

The Pope's Ambassador to Great Britain, His Excellency Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendia, will visit the Diocese of Motherwell from Friday 30th August until Sunday 1st September.

On **Friday 30th August at 7.00pm** there will be a special Mass of Welcome in Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Bishop Toal extends an invitation to all parishioners throughout the diocese to this special Mass.

On **Saturday 31st August at 10.00am** there will be a special Mass for Project Wellspring in the Cathedral, to which all those who are involved in Project Wellspring are especially invited to attend. A presentation on Project Wellspring will take place after the Mass in St Bride's Centre.

On **Sunday 1st September at 3.00pm** the Papal Nuncio will preside at Mass at Carfin Grotto for the National Pilgrimage. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Before celebrating the National Pilgrimage Mass at Carfin Grotto, Archbishop Buendia will make a pastoral visit to St Mary's Lanark. He will have a tour of New Lanark and then enjoy meeting our parishioners after 10.30am Mass at the Coffee Morning.