

St Mary's Lanark

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Feast of The Epiphany of The Lord

5th January 2025

Jubilee Year 2025

As Pope Francis opened the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica, the evening of 24 December 2024, he ushered in the widely-anticipated 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope. With the liturgical gesture of the Door's opening at the start of the Christmas Mass during the Night, as explained in the papal bull for the Jubilee *Spes non confundit*, the Pope inaugurated the Ordinary Jubilee, a historic event taking place every 25 years. The Ordinary Jubilee will conclude with the closing of the same Holy Door on 6 January 2026, the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord.

The Holy Door is deemed 'Holy' since it calls all those who enter through it to walk in holiness of life. In the footsteps of the Pope, during the singing of the Jubilee hymn, representatives of the entire People of God crossed its threshold, as a prelude to the countless pilgrims of hope from every country and language who will visit Saint Peter's Basilica and celebrate the mysteries of salvation during the Holy Year. The last opening of the Holy Door for an Ordinary Jubilee was when Pope Saint John Paul II had done so in the Year 2000. Pope Francis opened the Holy Door in 2015 for his 2016 Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy.

"During the Holy Year," the Pope has prayed, "may the light of Christian hope illumine every man and woman, as a message of God's love addressed to all! And may the Church bear faithful witness to this message in every part of the world!" The Holy Father invites us to pray, to prepare ourselves throughout this year, so that this Jubilee may "strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope."

The Pope reminded that with the opening of the Holy Door, the new Jubilee was inaugurated, which exhorts each one of us to enter into the mystery of this extraordinary event. "Tonight, the door of hope has opened wide to the world" and "God speaks to each of us and says: 'there is hope also for you!'" he said. "With haste," therefore, he said, "let us set out to behold the Lord who is born for us, our hearts joyful and attentive, ready to meet him and then to bring hope to the way we live our daily lives. For Christian hope is not a 'happy ending' which we passively await, but rather, a promise, the Lord's promise, to be welcomed here and now in our world of suffering and sighs."

"Brothers and sisters," the Pope reminded, "this is the Jubilee...This is the season of hope in which we are invited to rediscover the joy of meeting the Lord," he stressed, adding how the Jubilee "calls us to spiritual renewal and commits us to the transformation of our world, so that this year may truly become a time of jubilation." Pope Francis concluded by offering some food for thought. "Dear sister, dear brother, on this night the 'holy door' of God's heart lies open before you. Jesus, God-with-us, is born for you, for us, for every man and woman. With him, joy flourishes; with Him, life changes; with Him, hope does not disappoint."

Vatican News 24th December 2024





Please Pray For The Following



Recently Dead: Mary Norbury Main Street Forth
Patricia Drain; Robert Meahan (Motherwell); James Loughlin (Sligo);

Months Minds & Anniversaries: Fr Joseph Brannigan; Monteith Family; Thomas Bowie; Jim McShane; John Renton;

Funeral Arrangements: Mary Norbury Reception & Requiem Mass: Thursday 16th January 9.30am.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord
And let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Justice & Peace Collection

This weekend there will be a basket at the back of each church for those who wish to donate to the Justice & Peace annual appeal. The appeal is to help offer support to our brothers and sisters in poorer countries across the world, and within mission territories.

Thank you in advance for your generosity

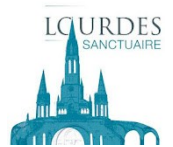


St Mary's Flower Fund

A huge thank you to all those who support the Flower Fund; a special thank you to Grace, Mari and the team of florists for their stunning work. The Flower Fund continues to grow each year, with many regular donors. In 2024 we received an income of £3,743.37. This money allowed the church to be adorned with flowers all year round, but especially at Easter and Christmas. For more information or to find out how to donate to the Flower Fund please speak to Grace Abernethy. Thank you one and all!!

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 14th- 21st July 2025

Bishop Toal invites pilgrims to join him on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2025, departing from Prestwick Airport on Monday 14th July and returning Monday 21st July. This year we will travel with JOE WALSH TOURS. Pilgrims will be staying at the adjoining hotels Alba and Mediterranee, with prices starting from £939pp, based on a full board package. If anyone is interested please put your contact details on the sign-up sheet at the stall. Names must be in for end of January.



With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope

Parish Weekly Finances

Offertory Collection & Donations: £ 1,085.00
Standing Orders: £ 433.50
Votives: £ 375.00
Stall: £ 85.00

St Marys Mission RCDM
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continued generosity



St Mary's Ministry Rota

Readers:

<u>4th/5th January</u>		<u>18th/19th January</u>	
5.00pm	A. Haetzman	5.00pm	F. Chung
10.30am	A. Servers	10.30am	M. McCusker
5.00pm	S. Casserly	5.00pm	S. Casserly
<u>11th/12th January</u>		<u>25th/26th January</u>	
5.00pm	C. Jackson	5.00pm	R. McConnell
10.30am	T. Coia	10.30am	R. Colpitts
5.00pm	M. Davis	5.00pm	M. Davis

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

<u>4th/5th January</u>		<u>18th/19th January</u>	
5.00pm	J. McBride	5.00pm	C. Scott
	R. Sinton		S. Callaghan
10.30am	G. Duddy	10.30am	V. Hilland
	A. Gillespie		M. Thomson
	M. Keenan		B. Farrell
<u>11th/12th January</u>		<u>25th/26th January</u>	
5.00pm	A. Dempsey	5.00pm	K. Bryce
	J. McBride		A. McGowan
10.30am	J. Littlejohn	10.30am	C. Duddy
	A. O'Neill		D. McFarlane
	N. Keenan		I. Maxfield

Christmas Remembrances

Bishop Frank Thomson; Bishop Joseph Devine; Fr Joseph Brannigan; Canon Willie Donnachie; Canon Giles Goward; Canon David Mellor; Fr John Breslin; All Deceased Members of The Vincentian Fathers; All Deceased Members of The Daughter's of Charity; Jim McShane; John & Mary McShane; Rosemary McShane MacIntyre; Frank McMahan; Annie & Arthur Lenagh; Hughie & Mary McShane; McShane Family; McGuire Family; Lenagh Family; McMahan Family; Kate & William Campbell; Bernie & Jim McEwan; Campbell Family; McCafferty Family; McEwan Family; James E. Reid; Gerry Wyllie; Wyllie Family; Deerin Family; Valentie Family; Bogan Family; Dunbar Family; McFarlane Family; Haney Family; Stewart Family; MacIntyre Family; Cathy Gallagher; Joseph & Betty McLeish; McLeish Family; Peter Brannen; Brannen Family; Edgar Family; Dan O'Neill; O'Neill Family; Thomas & Helen Lamb; Thomas Lamb Jnr; Lamb Family; McGuigan Family; William & Sarah Donnachie; Donnachie Family; Michael Pavilonis; Pavilonis Family; Paul & Cathie Millar; Paul & Nee Millar; Janice Millar; Millar Family; Rodger McConnell; Bernard & Rose Scott; Beverley & Alan Milliken; John, Annie, Liam & Jane McConnell; William Kay; Frank & Helen Carway; Michael, John & Annie Tierney; John & Frances Dickson; Martin Carway; Lisa McAlavey; John McAlavey; Blanche McAlavey; Susan Mays; Gerard Mays Snr; Gerard Mays Jnr; Brian Mays; John O'Neill; Steven, Mary, James & John Donnelly; Mary & Tommy Cavanagh; George Eddie; Matt & Peggy Reilly; Betty Thomson; Madge Reilly; Ann & Alasdair MacDonald; Matt & Betty Reilly; Bill & Annie Gennie; Eddie, Annie & David Main; Michael & William Maybank; Emilio & Cesarina Coia; Ungaretti Family; Coia Family; Valerio Family; Coli Family; Joe Molinaro; Kate Hanlon; Edward Hanlon; Anne Lindsay; Archie Lindsay; Mary Sheely; Michael Sheely; Kate Nevin & Brothers; Michael & Elizabeth McCue; Charles & Annie Coyle; Annie Cowe; Charles & Elizabeth Coyle; Martha & Tam Smith; Mary Jane Brennan; Jim Brennan; Agnes Jack; Anne Elder; James Brennan Jnr; Evelyn Brennan; Agnes Kennedy; John Kennedy; Joseph McGuire; Josephine Whitefield; Willie Whitefield; Frank & Bridget Brady; John Davis; Jim & Helen Beveridge; Josephine McGinty; Anne & Phil Kinsella; Martin Hilland; Frank Hilland; Kathleen & Bill Grieve; Joe & Frances Jackson; Clare Nicolson; Evelyn Grant Quinn; Christopher Campbell; William & Cameron Quinn; George, Lilly & Hannah Grant; Diane Curran; Quinn Family; John & Marion Renton; Reilly Family Kirkfieldbank; James McCardie; Sarah & Jimmy McEwan; Anne Paisley; Anne Skeldon; Harvey Family; Fox Family; Patricia Miller; Karen Reilly; John Reilly Jnr; Betty Hutchison; Tommy & Christina McNulty; Maureen Logan; Annie Veitch; Linda Tierney; Sandy McLean; Mary McLean; Catherine McLean; Jessie Clark; Susan Mackie; Frank Mackie; Leah & Albert Welsh; Morton Family; Graham Munro; Mary & Jim McLaughlan; Mary, Bill & Stephen Murray; Anne & John Boyle; Michael McLaughlan; Lizanne Inglis; John Hughes; Jock, Sheena & John Craig; Sarah Savage; Owen, Margaret & John Dempsey; William & Martin McPhail; Harry, Jean & Dan McPhail; Harry & Doreen McPhail; James & Mary McCrossan; Jim & Theresa Casagrande; Bert & Betty Sinton; Brendan McCaughey; Stuart McDougall; McCrossan Family; Hagan Family; Keenan Family; Hume Family; Margaret, John & Bobby Dykes; Irene & Eddie O'Donnell; Dan & Marion O'Donnell; James, Clare & Evelyn O'Leary; Jimmy & Sadie Littlejohn; Frances & Monica Cassidy; John Kerr; David Tinto; Joe McGarrigle; Pat McGarrigle; Gerry McGarrigle; McGarrigle Family; Dean Family; Tommo O'Grady; Mandie O'Grady; Martina O'Grady; Arthur Christie; Jessica & John Christie; Mary & John Christie; Pat McTaggart; Mary McTaggart; Geraldine Murphy; Margaret McAllister; Kathleen Mangan; Teresa McTaggart; Michael McCulloch; Brian Hughes; John Taggart Jnr; Charles McAllister Snr; Maggie McAllister; Joe McAllister; Peter & Susan Mulligan; Jack McGowan; Bridget Donnelly; Veronica & Charles McKenna; Ann Power; Joanne & Peter Strain; Alys & John Scott; Maisie Conlon; Teresa & Bill McArdle; Jim Anderson; Paul Halloran; Halloran Family; Helen & Robert Dennis & Families; May & Veronica Quinn; Maureen Mathers; Victor & Mary Doolan; Father O'Rafferty; Father Hughes; Isobel & Leonard Mayes; George & Violet McMorrان & Family; Jim Reilly; Margaret Toner; Therese Kennedy; Jim and Esther Oliver; Tommy Oliver; Jim Oliver; Hugh and Mary Kennedy; William Kennedy; Robert Kennedy; Walter and Agnes McEwan; Agnes McQuade; James McEwan; Brian Joseph McEwan; Kathleen Caulfield; David Tinto; Betty & David Dunlop; Mary, Tommy, Sadie, James & Jackie Martin; Martin Family; Connelly Family; Theresa & Roddy O'Connor; O'Connor Family; O'Neill Family; Arthur Kane; Louise, Nan, Whitey & James Jnr Keenan; Betty & Moses Smith; James Stark; Moira & Alan Beattie; William & Florence Kennedy & Family; Joseph & Helen McAreavy; Tom & Sadie Palmer; Rona Palmer; John Murray; Karen Murray; Robert Monteith; Frank, Maryann, Frank Jnr, James, John, Nan, James Jnr, Lisa & Louise Keenan; Angela O'Connell; Jack Hamilton; Ray Ward; Elle-May McNally; O'Connell Family; Stewart Family; Jenny & Wullie Todd; Robert Scott; Seamus Coll; Anthony Kearney; Henry McKenzie; Diane Jamieson; All Souls with no-one to pray for them; James Callaghan; Agnes & Alice Bamford; Anna Marshall; Hughie & Gerod Connolly; Callaghan Family Sligo; Thomas Cloonan; Cecilia Cloonan; Mark Cloonan; Cloonan Family Liverpool; Rotherham Family Liverpool; Vincent Schmidt USA; Pauline & Mike Thompson; Rosina Baird; Baby Luka Gunning; Ron Meldrum; Jean & Jimmy Meldrum; Catherine & Daniel Stewart; Meg McConville; McConville Family; Eileen Prior; Janette Irvine; May Quinn; Geoff Coyle; McConville Family; Deceased Members of Choir of St Mary's; Vera & John Livingstone; Lisa Geddes; Margaret Stack; Doreen McGeachy; Elizabeth Scott; Estelle Higgins; Markie Higgins; Noone Family; Dowds Family; Farrell Family; Francis & Grace McManus; Francis McManus Jnr; Rosemary McManus; Willie Connor; Ian Connor; Mark Stewart; Hynds Family; Graham Family; Charlie Lively; Jimmy Lively; Mary Josephine Lavery; Felix Lavery; Lively Family; Lavery Family; Maher Family; Jim & Sandra Collins; Patricia & Edward Brien; John Doolan; Jane Doolan; Henry Doolan; James & Mary Tait; Geoffrey Cunningham; John Cunningham; Martha Gillespie; John Gillespie; Peggy & Denis Docherty; Annie & Archie McMillan;



Weekly Parish Schedule

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

Sunday 5th January *St Mary's Church will close after the 5pm Mass*

- 10.30am** Holy Mass for the Feast of The Epiphany (St Mary's)
11.15am Coffee Morning (St Mary's Clubrooms)
12noon Holy Mass for the Feast of The Epiphany (Holy Trinity)
12.35pm Light Bite (Holy Trinity)
5.00pm Holy Mass for the Feast of The Epiphany (St Mary's)

Monday 6th January *St Mary's Church will be opened Monday - Friday from 8am until 3pm*

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

Tuesday 7th December

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

Wednesday 8th January

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

Thursday 9th January

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

Friday 10th January

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

Saturday 11th January *St Mary's Church will open at 8am and close after the 5pm Mass*

- 9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary
9.30am Holy Mass
4.30pm Recitation of the Holy Rosary
5.00pm Holy Mass for the Feast of The Baptism of The Lord (St Mary's)

Sunday 12th January *St Mary's Church will close after the 5pm Mass*

- 10.30am** Holy Mass for the Feast of The Baptism of The Lord (St Mary's)
12noon Holy Mass for the Feast of The Baptism of The Lord (Holy Trinity)
5.00pm Holy Mass for the Feast of The Baptism of The Lord (St Mary's)



St Mary's Coffee Morning

Please come along to the Coffee Morning if you are able; it would be lovely to see you there! During winter months fresh homemade soup will be available to warm the old cockles. Thank you so much to the Social Committee and their team of dedicated volunteers and bakers for their fabulous efforts in providing for us each month!!

Holy Trinity Light Bite

Please join us this weekend if you can for our Light Bite after 12noon Mass. The Light Bite is a great way to build community and, especially with a more rural parish, a great way to retain connections and friendships.

Thank you to those who provide food and home baking for these monthly gatherings.

St Mary's Primary School Notices

- The Sacramental Enrolment Mass will take place on Sunday 2nd February 2025 at 10.30am. All parents presenting their children for the Sacraments in 2025 must attend this Mass with their children and receive their Sacramental Passport.
- P1 enrolment - Children who are age 5 between 1st March 2025 and the end of February 2026 are required to register their child for starting school in August 2025 by completing an online registration form which will be available from Monday 6 January 2025. The registration form is available on the SLC website Enrolling your child for school - South Lanarkshire Council