



# Parish Bulletin

## St. Mary's ' Paisley

(Incorporating the territory of St. Paul's, Foxbar)



A parish of the  
Diocese of Paisley

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### Service Times:

#### Sunday Mass

**St. Mary's 4.00pm (Vigil) & 10am.**

**Weekday Mass:** Please see parish diary overleaf

**Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals:** By arrangement with Fr. Morrison.

#### Confessions:

**After 9.30am Mass on & Tuesday & Saturday; 3.30pm - 3.50pm Saturday**

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2nd/3rd November 2024  
31st Sunday of the Year

**Sick Parishioners** - Of your charity, please pray for those who are sick in our community and beyond: Lily Graham, Angela Hurley-Jordan, Stephanie McMaster, Theresa Smyth, Rose Geilty, John McGarry, Donna Lynch, Dolly Gallagher, Yvonne McRory, Cathie Gray, Theresa Miller, Isabel Fletcher, Ged Farrell, Declan Healy, Donna Sim. Ian Gallagher, Ian Scott, Doreen Chain, Elena Carroll, Sean McMenemy, Rose Stepford, Rosaline Goodbrand, Rachel Burns, Joe Fitzhenry, Patricia O'Neill, Joe McLain, Susan Sludden, Helen Watson, Maureen McCready, Sarah Jessiman, Winnifred Kidd, David Friel, Ann McBride, Stella Pace, Betty Johnstone, Rosaline Goodbrand, Guy Whaley. Robert Alexander, Pearl White, Rosemary Goodbrandt, Joe Johnstone, Monsignor Charlie Burns, Katie Rayment, Peter Callaghan, Grace McGarry, Andrew Taylor, May Scott, Mary McLaughlin, Alan Price, Thomas Curran, Ann Moohan, Paul Kirkwood, Malakai Austin, James Brogan, Mary Docherty, Billy Turner, James Donnelly, Nicky Byara, Nan Moore & Agnes Browning.

**Recently deceased:** Billy Turner.

**Anniversaries:** Jean McKelvie, Nan Feeley, Fr Chris Gilfedder (Archdiocese of Glasgow), Annie Stretton, Joe McGhee & Annie Rose Bolland.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Items for the bulletin (including anniversaries) should be submitted by Noon of the preceding Tuesday for inclusion in the bulletin.

**Gift Aid:** If you pay tax and haven't already signed a Gift Aid declaration for the parish please do so. All your contributions will be augmented by 25% at no cost to you. Thanks for your continuing generosity. Please be aware that if you previously Gift-Aided at St. Paul's you are required to sign a new form. Forms are available in the Sacristy. Apologies for any inconvenience.

**Parish Stewardship:** First Collection: £955.60. Second collection (Mission Sunday): £547.70. Thanks for your continuing generosity. Please note that these amounts do not include contributions made by standing order or by online payment.

**New Lectionary:** From the 1st Sunday of Advent, we will be using a New Lectionary at Mass. The Lectionary contains the readings used at Mass. Our local cluster has arranged an information/session on Saturday 23rd November 12-2pm at St, Mirin's Cathedral Hall.

**Christmas Fayre 7 Dec and grand raffle:** Please bring in items for the Raffle and items for the hampers.

**CAMPAIGN AGAINST ASSISTED DYING – URGENT:** It's important that, if you do not want to see this legislation go through, you write to your MSPs and your MP about it. Although the main legislation for us in Scotland will go through the Holyrood parliament, there is now also a bill going to be presented to the House of Commons. Normally Scottish MPs do not, out of courtesy, vote on England only legislation. However it's really important to ask your MP to vote on the English legislation, as the result of that could have an effect on what happens in Scotland. Your MPs are [johanna.baxter.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:johanna.baxter.mp@parliament.uk) (Paisley South) or [alison.taylor.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:alison.taylor.mp@parliament.uk) (Paisley North). For all your MSPs, go online to "write to them", put in your postcode and you'll access both George Adam (Paisley) and all your List MSPs. If you're not sure what to write to put over the legal and ethical reasons why this shouldn't go ahead, email [eileenmccartin@btinternet.com](mailto:eileenmccartin@btinternet.com).

**Think Vocation:** Love of God and love of neighbour are the heart of the Christian life. Are you being called to a life of love and service as a priest? For more information contact our Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr John Morrison – call 01418892602 or email [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk)



Our parish QR code - This is linked to our Parish PAYA Charity On-line Giving page. The QR code means that parishioners and donors can use their mobile phone to take them straight to the donation page, allowing them to enter their card payment details.

**PPC Meetings:** 3rd December at 7pm.

**Catechism Class @ St. Mary's:** Catechism class is available for children (p1-s1) prior to the 10am Sunday Mass (9.20-9.50am).

**Youth to Lourdes 2025:** In S3-S6? Do you want to serve others? Learn more about your faith? Meet other young people? Y2L could be for you! We will leave Scotland on Thursday 26th June 2025 and return on Friday 4th July. Transport by bus & ferry. The pilgrimage costs £750. To travel, you must have a valid UK or EU Passport. Want to know more? Call Fr John Morrison on 0141 889 2026 5056 or email [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk). Our next meeting is on Sunday 17th November at the Diocesan Offices in Paisley 2-5pm.

**Safeguarding Induction Training:** Induction training has been organised into one course only. If you are a new volunteer, or one who completed Part 1 training more than a year ago, you are invited to sign up for one of the following training sessions:

**Tuesday 12th November at 7pm in the Diocesan Centre, Cathedral Precincts, Paisley**

**Saturday 23rd November at 10.30am in St. John's Parish Hall, Barrhead**

To sign up for a place on one of the above training sessions, you should first inform your Parish Safeguarding Coordinator that you wish to attend Safeguarding Training. Secondly to book a place contact Sarah Jane Colhoun at [safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk) or call her on 0141 847 6138.

**Safeguarding Thought for the Month – October:** We aim to make the Church an increasingly safe place for all.

**Diocesan Music Workshop:** In preparation for the Seasons of Advent and Christmas please come along to learn some new music, hymns, and also psalm settings from the new Lectionary. There will be a workshop in St Mirin's Cathedral on Thursday 14th November at 7pm, and the same workshop in St Mary's, Greenock, 21st November at 7pm. Please contact Michael Hepburn, the Diocesan Director of Music, to indicate which evening you hope to attend to give an idea of numbers [director.music@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:director.music@rcdop.org.uk)

**November Lists:** Envelopes and lists are now available for collection. Masses will be celebrated each day of November for the happy repose of our beloved dead, especially those who are named on our November lists. Return completed list with any offerings enclosed as soon as possible in the collection baskets. or return them to the Church House.

**Hawkhead Cemetery Mass:** The annual Mass in Hawkhead Cemetery will be celebrated at 2pm on Sun 24th Nov. All are welcome to come and pray for the repose of the souls of those buried there. RIP

**'You Shall be my Witnesses'** - This Sunday at our 10am Mass we'll be launching our parish catechesis program for the children of St. Mary's and St. Paul's primaries who will be receiving Confirmation within the next year. The children will receive a Catechesis during the Mass. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

Parish Diary:

Date	Event(s)
Monday 4th November	Mass at 8.15am @ St. Paul's Primary School Mass at 7.00pm @ St. Mary's
Tuesday 5th November	Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's <i>Eucharistic Adoration prior to Mass</i> <i>Confessions available after Mass</i>
Wednesday 6th November	Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's
Thursday 7th November	Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's Mass at 1.15pm @ St. Andrew's Academy Reception of Remains & Vigil Prayers 6.00pm @ St. Mary's
Friday 8th November	Requiem Mass of Mr Billy Turner at 9.30am @ St. Mary's. Thereafter to Hawkhead Cemetery
Saturday 9th November	Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's. Vigil Mass as normal.