



# 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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23/24th November 2024  
Christ the King

**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 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, James Donnelly, Nicky Byara, Nan Moore, Maureen Kennedy, Ian Gallacher & Agnes Browning,

**Recently deceased:** Rosemary McInally, John McGarvey,

**Anniversaries:** Patricia Whitelaw, Ellen Hendren & Betty O'Neill.

**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. If you require new envelopes please inform Fr. Morrison. Forms are available in the Sacristy. Apologies for any inconvenience.

**Parish Stewardship:** First Collection: £883.70 - Second collection £499.50 (Catholic Education). Thanks for your continuing generosity. Please note that these amounts do not include contributions made by standing order or by online payment. Second collection this weekend is for Catholic Education.

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

**Safeguarding Thought for the Month – November:** We regard as paramount our concern for the safety of all in our parish communities especially children and vulnerable adults.

### Think Vocation:

**St. Paul's PS:** Fr Morrison will be meeting with the parents of children in P4/7 who are receiving the Sacraments of First Holy Communion this year at 2.30pm in the school on Wednesday 4th December.

**Catholic Education:** This weekend we welcome staff and pupils from two of our parish schools - St. Andrew's Academy & St. Paul's PS. The pupils from St. Andrew's will be speaking at the Vigil and the children from St. Paul's will animate the 10am Mass. We'll be joined by the pupils from St. Mary's at the 10am Mass next Sunday.

**Think Vocation:** 'My Kingdom does not belong to this world'. Are you being called to proclaim the glorious reign of Christ the King as a priest? Speak to our Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison - call 01418892602 or email [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk).

**P4-7 Advent Retreat:** The diocesan Youth Commission invites children in P4-7 to an Advent Retreat Day on Sunday 1st December from 2-5pm. The theme is The Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary. The day begins and ends in St Mirin's Cathedral Hall, with Holy Mass in the cathedral. A light dinner will be provided. Registration is necessary:

<http://tinyurl.com/dpy-primary-advent>. Email Fr Ryan for more info: [VE-Youth@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:VE-Youth@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).

**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

**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 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).

**ST COLUMBA'S 50th ANNIVERSARY:** To help celebrate the 50th anniversary of St Columba's Renfrew, Fr. Bernard Fox and Sr. Sally will be leading us in a time of reflection and Prayer beginning with the celebration of the Masses in St. Columba's on 23/24 November. On the evenings of Monday 25 November to Wednesday 27 November they will lead us in prayer and Reflection. Bishop John Keenan will be celebrating our 50th anniversary Mass on Sunday 1 December which is the first Sunday of Advent and the First Sunday of the Holy Year. There will be refreshments in the hall after Mass. Please bring all the family and friends along to join in the celebration. All welcome.

**Diocese of Paisley Podcast - Our November podcast has dropped!** Tony Waterston joins the SPUC Torchlight Procession, which took place in Glasgow last month. Available to download now on the Diocesan website [rcdop.org.uk/podcast](http://rcdop.org.uk/podcast) and all major streaming platforms. Sent from [Outlook for iOS](#)

Parish Diary:

Date	Event(s)
Monday 25th November	<p>November is a time to reflect on the end of life and the hope that death is a transition to a new life in heaven. It's also a time to remember those in the parish who are grieving and to pray for the faithful departed. A plenary indulgence for the souls in purgatory is granted for visiting a cemetery and praying for the souls buried there.</p> <p><b>Mass at 8.30am @ St. Paul's Primary School - Please note new time</b></p> <p>Mass at 7.00pm @ St. Mary's</p>
Tuesday 26th November	<p>Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's - children from p5 St. Mary's in attendance followed by retreat in Church Hall.</p> <p><i>Eucharistic Adoration prior to Mass</i></p> <p><i>Confessions available after Mass</i></p>
Wednesday 27th November	<p>Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's including prayers for Holy Souls</p> <p><i>Mass at 7.00pm Divine Mercy</i></p>
Thursday 28th November	<p>Mass @ 9.30am @ St. Mary's</p> <p>Mass at 1.15pm @ St. Andrew's Academy</p>
Friday 29th November	<p>Mass at 9.00am - Please note earlier time.</p>
Saturday 23rd November	<p>Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's. Vigil Mass as normal.</p>