



# 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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18/19th January 2025  
The Second Sunday of the  
Year

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**Sick Parishioners - Of your charity, please pray for those who are sick in our community and beyond:** Lily Graham, Angela Hurley-Jordan, 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, 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, Mary McLaughlin, Alan Price, Thomas Curran, Ann Moohan, Paul Kirkwood, Malakai Austin, James Brogan, Mary Docherty, James Donnelly, Nicky Byara, Nan Moore, Ian Gallacher & Agnes Browning,  
**Recently deceased:** Jane Brown, Lydia Mastrocola, Stella Pace, Fr Dermot Healey (Archdiocese of Glasgow), John Hegarty & Betty Graham,  
**Anniversaries:** Danny McKay, Fergus Green, Joe McFarlane, Helen Holmes, Samuel O'Neill, Esther Kerr, Gary Willock, Bishop Vincent Logan (Bishop of Dunkeld), Raffaella McLaughlan, Alfredo Mastrocola, Peter McEwan, Andrew Woods (Senior) & George Duncan.

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**Jubilee - 2025:** Pope Francis proclaimed the 2025 Jubilee Year on May 9, 2024, with the papal bull *Spes non confundit*, which means "Hope Does Not Disappoint". The Jubilee Year will begin on Christmas Eve, 2024, with the opening of the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica. Over the coming weeks and months, we'll be considering how can mark the Jubilee in our parish & cluster.

**Parish Stewardship:** First Collection - £830.00 & Second Collection £540.00 . Thanks for your continuing generosity. Please note that collection figures do not include Standing Orders or online donations. This Sunday - our Second Collection will be for the Sick & Retired Priests Fund.

**Lourdes Hospitality:** Booking is now open for the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, 28th June-3rd July 2025. Booking is currently via the Tangney Tours website, booking forms will be available soon. If you have a life limiting, chronic medical condition or a taking regular medication you should register with the medical/nursing team. If you wish to come to Lourdes as part of the medical/nursing or helper team, please attend the meeting on 7th January at 7pm in St Ninian's, Gourrock. If you would like to come to Lourdes as a registered sick pilgrim please come to the meeting on 26th January at 2pm in St Ninian's, Gourrock. If you have any questions, please contact Anne Louise pilgrimage co-ordinator on 01475 638132

**Parish Council Meeting:** The Council will meet on Tuesday evening at 7pm.

**Catechism Class:** The class will resume on the First Sunday of February.

**Esther's Ball:** To commemorate Mother's Day 2025 on the last Saturday of March. More details to follow.

**St. Paul's PS Feastday:** Bishop John will celebrate Mass at St. Mary's on Thursday at 11am for the community of St. Paul's PS as the school celebrates its Feast Day - The Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. During the Mass, Bishop John will bless the new St. Paul Chapel. Please feel free to come along!

**Catechism Class @ St. Mary's:** The class will resume in February.

**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.



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.



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

**Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage - Fundraising Dinner 2025:** Saturday 1st March 2025, Greenock Town Hall, 7pm (for 7.30pm). Tickets cost £40 (including 3 course meal). For tickets and further information please email [iaimclean@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:iaimclean@rcdop.org.uk) or phone 07950483042. Donations for the raffle/auction greatly appreciated. A bus will be provided for those travelling from the Paisley side of the Diocese.

**Diocesan Priesthood:** Thinking about Diocesan Priesthood in 2025? The Catholic Church in Scotland is now inviting enquiries from those considering applying for seminary. For more information, please contact Fr. John Morrison - call 01418892602 or email [vocations@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdop.org.uk)

**WESTERN CATHOLIC CALENDAR:** Now on sale in stall. Price £3.75.

**SAFEGUARDING Induction Training – 2025:**

Safeguarding Induction training has been organised into one course only. If you are a new volunteer, or one who completed Part 1 training more than one year ago, you are invited to sign up for one of the following training sessions. Please contact Sarah Jane Colhoun at the Safeguarding Office to register. Tel: 0141 847 6138 or [safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk)

Tuesday 21st January at 7pm in the Diocesan Centre, Paisley

Tuesday 25th February at 7pm in the Diocesan Centre, Paisley

Saturday 29th March at 10.30am in St. Mary's Parish Hall, Greenock

Tuesday 29th April at 7pm in the Diocesan Centre, Paisley

Saturday 10th May at 10.30am in St. Mirin's Cathedral Hall, Paisley

Tuesday 3rd June at 7pm in St. Mary's Parish Hall, Greenock

Divine Mercy Mass: The next Divine Mercy Mass will be Wednesday 29th January at 7pm.

Parish Diary: Liturgical Year Sundays Year C  
- Weekdays Year 2

Date	Event(s)
Monday 20th January	Mass at 8.30am @ St. Paul's Primary School <b>Nb NO Mass at 7.00pm @ St. Mary's</b>
Tuesday 21st January Memorial of Saint Agnes	Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's - P4 St. Mary's PS attending Mass and on Retreat in Hall. <b>Please note no Eucharistic Adoration prior to Mass or Confessions after Mass.</b>  <i>Reception of Remains 6.00pm Parish Pastoral Council 7.00pm</i>
Wednesday 22nd January	Requiem Mass of Stella Pace RIP at 9.30am @ St. Mary's <i>Reception of Remains 6.00pm</i>
Thursday 23rd January	Requiem Mass of Jane Brown Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's & Feast Day for St. Paul's PS at 11.00am @ St. Mary's
Friday 24th January Memorial of Saint Francis De Sales	Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's
Saturday 25th January Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul	Mass at 9.30am @ St. Mary's. Vigil Mass as normal.

Parish Partners: St Mary's PS, St. Paul's PS & St. Andrew's Academy

