Parish News & Events

All Saints & All Souls

On **Friday 1st November we celebrate the great Solemnity of All Saints**. This is a Holy Day of Obligation, when all Catholics are required to attend Mass. Our Masses will be:

Vigil Mass Thurs 31st October at 7.00pm
Morning Masses on Friday 1st November
7.30am (finished by 8.00am) and **9.45am** (with the children of St Timothy's School). The Vigil and Mid-morning Masses with both be solemn with music.

The Commemoration of **All Souls** is **Saturday 2nd November.** There will be an **early Mass at 8.00am**, followed by a **sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal) at 10.00am** - if you wish, you are permitted to attend 3 Masses on this day, and receive Holy Communion twice.

Parish Annual Requiem Mass

Our parish **Annual Requiem Mass**, when we pray for all of those in our parish who have died in the last year, and for families who mourn their loss, will take place on **Thursday 7th November at 7.00pm**. A candle will be lit for each of those who have passed away in the last year, which family members are welcome to take home after the Mass. **All parishioners are most welcome to attend.** There will be refreshments in the Hall after Mass.

Cemetery Service

Our annual memorial service in **Old Monkland Cemetery will take place on Sunday 10th November at 2.00pm**. We will pray for all of our beloved dead buried there, and bless their graves.

Parish Pilgrimage 2025
Lake Garda, Verona, Padua & Venice

We hope to organise a pilgrimage to Italy next year from **Weds 17th to Weds 24th September 2025**. It is being organised through ALBA Tours, so will include flights, transfers, coach travel, accommodation, half-board meals, and a full itinerary of visits and Masses. The approximate cost is £1,200pp, depending on our group size. Single rooms are limited and have a supplement of £115.

Please sign up on the notice board if you are interested in the coming days, and we will organise an information evening and finalise prices and the itinerary.

Upcoming Bible Study - St Luke's Gospel

We will start with a series of three talks on **Monday 18th November at 7.00pm** in the Hall, continuing on **Mon 25th Nov and Mon 2nd Dec**. These three talks will introduce the Gospel, and look at the beautiful Infancy Narrative, **all are most welcome!**

Second Collection - Mission Sunday

Thank you very much for your generous donations to our Mission Sunday collection, you raised a wonderful **£1,525.**

November Lists

Our November Lists and envelopes are available. In the month of the Holy Souls we pray for all our beloved dead, and **Holy Mass will be offered each day in November for the eternal rest of those remembered on our lists.**

Please take a copy of the November List and write down the names of your loved ones who have passed away, and **return the list to the box in the porch**, or to the parish house, with any donation (optional) before or near the start of November.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd continues today for **children aged 3-6,** after our 10.30am Mass in the Hall. All children in this age bracket are most welcome!

Sunday Breakfast

Our Sunday breakfast will be on in the Hall after our 10.30am Mass, with rolls and sausage, and teas and coffees available. All are most welcome and children eat for free.

Monthly Baptismal Course

The next course for parents of children receiving the Sacrament of Baptism will run on **Wednesday 6th November at 6.30pm** in the hall meeting room. Parents should let me know if they plan on attending this meeting.

Christmas Toy Appeal

Once again, we are working with St Timothy's Primary School, to collect toys and gifts for children whose families may be struggling this year. **All donations are welcome**, and you can drop off in the hall **after any weekend Mass through the month of November**.

New Parish Stall

Last weekend you may have noticed a new addition to our porch entrance. Our new stall and display cabinet have been custom made, as well as the new noticeboard (complete with St James' scallop shell!), and greatly enhance the main entrance to the church. Such improvements are only possible through your generous donations to our parish collection, so thank you all so much for your continued support of the parish!

Hall Bookings

For those wishing to book the Hall, please contact **Val Reid on 07938 873113**.

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Sunday 27th October - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule		Groups Schedule
Monday 28th October	**Mass at 9.45am** ***Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles*** *Holy Rosary 9.20am.*	**Monday Club - 1.00pm** **Men's Group 6.30pm**
Tuesday 29th October	**Mass at 9.45am** *St John Paul II, Pope*	
Wednesday 30th October	**Mass at 9.45am** *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.10-9.40am*	
Thursday 31st October	**Solemnity of All Saints - Vigil Mass 7.00pm** *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.00pm, concluding with sung Benediction before Mass.* *Confessions 6.00-6.40pm.*	**Cantores Matris Dei Chant Class - 7.45pm**
Friday 1st November	**Solemnity of All Saints** **Holy Day of Obligation.** **Mass at 7.30am & 9.45am** *Confessions 9.10-9.30am.*	
Saturday 2nd November	**Commemoration of All Souls** **Mass at 8.00am** **Sung Latin Mass (1962 Missal) at 10.00am**	

Sunday 3rd November - Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Mass 2nd November at 4.15pm *Confessions 3.30-4.00pm.*

Sunday Mass at 9.00am & 10.30am (with Children's Liturgy)

Prayers for the sick and housebound

May Rooney, Jim Kelly, Anne Thérèse Judge, Betty Cannon, Nora McCann, Rose McGhee, John Foley, Brian Judge, Tony Gallagher, Michael Nilsson, Barbara Lucock, Mary Slevin, Cathie Dunnachie, Thomas Martin, Peter Fleming, Eileen Wilkie, Caroline Boland, Jean Graham, Heather Flanigan, Geraldine Boyce, Janey Tominey, Willie Savage, Rachel Dillon, John & Mary McDade, William Gilmour, Andrew Cane, Patricia Grace, Felix Dillon, and Rosaleen Grogan.

Prayers for the Faithful Departed

Recently Deceased: Mary Quinn (Reception of Remains Sun 3rd Nov at 5.00pm, Requiem Mass Mon 4th Nov at 9.45am), James McNaughton (Reception of Remains Mon 4th Nov at 6.00pm, Requiem Mass Tues 5th Nov at 9.45am), and George Fyfe.

Anniversaries: Christina Minnis, Elizabeth Murphy, Rose Gallacher, Joseph Higgins, and Ann Watson.

Month's Mind: Margaret Ferguson, Rena Willis, Lawrence Murphy, Anne Miller, Thomas & Annie McArdle, Marie McFarlane, George Sneddon, Joe & Lizzie Costello, Sally & Arthur Mulholland, Jeanie Costello, Thomas Costello, Joseph Costello Jnr., and Richie Burns.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.