Parish News & Events

First Confession Enrolment Meeting

Primary 3 Sacrament of Reconciliation enrolment meeting, on Monday 7th October at 6.00pm in the Hall. All parents who desire their child to receive this Sacrament should attend.

Sunday Breakfast - First Communion Families

Our Sunday breakfast this week after the 10.30am Mass **is limited to our First Communion children and families** because of space and numbers. The children will be registered by their teachers in the Hall, and families can get a bite to eat while I explain a few brief practical points about our First Holy Communions on 31st May 2025.

The New Translation of the Lectionary

On **Monday 21st October** I will be giving a talk in the Hall at 7.00pm about the **new Lectionary** which will be used in the coming months for our readings at Mass. For those interested, it will be an opportunity to learn more about this new translation, and deepen our appreciation of the Word of God proclaimed to us at Mass. All are most welcome, including from other parishes.

Reader's Day of Recollection

On **Saturday 12th October** we will have a short morning of recollection for our Parish Readers. This will give you all some practical points about the new translation of the Lectionary, and be able to ask questions. We will also have a period of silent prayer together in the church and a light lunch. **Please meet in the Hall committee room at 10.30am.**

Breakfast with Santa

Tickets for Breakfast with Santa will be on sale after Mass **this weekend (5th/6th October)**. This will take place on **Saturday 30th November** at **10.30am** and tickets are priced £5 per child (includes breakfast, visit with Santa and a selection box), and £2.50 for accompanying adults which includes tea/coffee & a mince pie. Places are limited.

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!

Catholic Adults' Faith Formation Group

This week we begin our new adults' catechesis group, **starting at 7.00pm** in the Hall on **Tuesday 8th October**. **Please note that it is required to register in advance to attend this group.** There are only a couple of places left. If anyone would still like to join, please speak to me at Mass this weekend.

St Joseph's Men's Group

Our Men's Group resumes on **Monday 7th October** at the slightly later time of **7.00pm**. Teas & coffees will be available from 6.45pm, we will speak about the power of the Rosary, and then say the Rosary together in the church to conclude our meeting. **All men in the parish are most welcome!**

Pension Credit Advice

After our 10.30am Mass next Sunday (13th Oct) there will be the opportunity for any of our parishioners who are pensioners to get confidential and free advice, to check their entitlements for pension credit. Josephine and Angela will be happy to help you, and you can enjoy our Sunday breakfast too.

Monday Club Event

The commitee are delighted to announce an afternoon tea followed by entertainment on **Monday 21st October** between 12-4pm. Entertainment provided by the singer Joe Meechan. **Please note this event is free to non-members.** Please contact a member of the committee before 14th October if you would like to attend (Marion, Cathy or Val).

Upcoming Bible Study - St Luke's Gospel

We will have another Bible study in the parish, this time on the Gospel of St Luke, which we will be hearing nearly every Sunday from Advent this year, until Christ the King 2025.
We will begin 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 telling us of the Annunciation and the Nativity - this will be great spiritual preparation for Advent and Christmas. More details to follow, and **all are most welcome!**

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Sunday 6th October - Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule		Groups Schedule
Monday 7th October	**Mass at 9.45am** *Feast of Our Lady of The Rosary* *Holy Rosary 9.15am, followed by the Litany of Loreto.*	**Monday Club - 1.00pm** **Men's Group - 7.00pm**
Tuesday 8th October	**Mass at 9.45am**	**Adult Formation - 7.00pm**
Wednesday 9th October	**Mass at 9.45am** *Votive Mass in honour of St Joseph* *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.10-9.40am*	
Thursday 10th October	**Mass at 7.00pm** *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.00pm, concluding with sung Benediction before Mass. Confessions 6.00-6.40pm.*	**Cantores Matris Dei Schola - 7.30pm**
Friday 11th October	**Mass at 9.45am** *Votive Mass of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus* *Confessions 9.10-9.40am, Holy Rosary 9.20am.*	

Sunday 13th October - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Vigil Mass 12th October 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, and Felix Dillon.

Prayers for the Faithful Departed

Recently Deceased: Monsignor Henry Docherty (Requiem Mass Mon 7th October at 12noon, Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral; Reception of Remains Sun 6th October at 5.00pm), and Dominic Meina (Requiem Mass Tues 15th October at 9.45am, Reception of Remains before Mass).
Anniversaries: Janette McPake, Jean Price, James & Mary Ellen Murray, Patrick & Jane Docherty, Mamie McMurray, and Patsy McMurray.
Month's Mind: Ann & Christopher Smith, Peter Cannon, Dorothy Chatfield, Eric Chatfield, Mamie Chatfield, Betty Hill, Joseph McMullan, James McMurray, and Bridie McMurray.

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