

Second Collection - Mission Sunday
Next Sunday, 18th October, is Mission Sunday and there will be a second collection after Holy Communion for **Missio, the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith**, to support the missionary work of the Church throughout the world. Anything you are able to give will be greatly received.
(I forgot to take up the Diocesan collection for our seminarians in September, this will be arranged before the end of the year - mea culpa!).

October Devotions
Month of the Holy Rosary
The month of October is dedicated to Our Blessed Lady, and in particular the devotion of the Holy Rosary. In the parish we will have **October devotions every Monday in October, starting with the Angelus at 6.00pm, followed by the Rosary**, and Holy Mass at 6.30pm.
Our Primary 7 children preparing for Confirmation in Eastertide next year will assist in these devotions as part of their sacramental preparation, and for their St Carlo Acutis *Passport to Heaven* faith journey.
We will also have a **torchlight procession on Monday 19th October at 6.00pm**, processing with Our Lady’s Statue around the church grounds and reciting the Rosary together (weather permitting).

Afternoon Tea Parish Fundraiser
There will be a special afternoon tea on **Sunday 25th October** to bring our parish community together and help raise some funds for the parish. If you would like to come, tickets are on sale or able to be reserved after Mass this weekend for **£10pp**. Please see the ladies in the porch after Mass.

Parish Running Group
Our parish running group meets at **8.30am on Saturdays** at the small carpark for Drumpellier Lochs off Blair Road.
All are welcome to join us, and some parishioners come to walk the route rather than run. If you are interested in joining, let me know, and you can be added to the WhatsApp Group.

Sunday Breakfast
Sunday breakfast after our 10.30am Mass in the Hall. Breakfast rolls and teas & coffees will be served, and children eat for free. All are most welcome to join us.

Monthly Parish Baptism Course
All parents wishing to have their child baptised are required to attend one of our monthly baptism courses. The next course will be on **this Wednesday 4th November at 6.30pm in the Hall committee room**.
Please sign up via the QR code or go to <https://stjamescoatbridge.co.uk/baptism-course/>



Pilgrimage to Santiago
Just a little update for those who have signed up or expressed an interest in our pilgrimage to Santiago next July. There will be a meeting with Anne Marie Cairns from Alba Tours to discuss the costs and exact dates in the coming weeks. Once we know the date of the meeting it will be announced.

St Joseph’s Men’s Group
The group will **resume on Monday 19th October at 7.00pm** in the Hall. All men in the parish are welcome to join us.
There will be a **Quiz Night on Friday 20th November** and tickets will be on sale next weekend for **£5pp**. All men in the parish and friends from outside are very welcome to join us.

Hall Bookings
For Hall enquiries and bookings, please contact **Val Reid on 07938 873113**.

Prayer of the Month
Many younger Catholics were never taught some of the most beautiful prayers we have in our tradition. Each month in the bulletin we will have a “prayer of the month” for you to learn, or say together as a family at home. October focuses on the Guardian Angels.

Guardian Angel Prayer
Angel of God, my guardian dear,
To whom God’s love commits me here,
Ever this day/night be at my side,
To light and guard, to rule and guide.
Amen.



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Sunday 11 th October - Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Mass Schedule	Groups	
Monday 12 th October	Requiem Mass for Sadie White RIP at 9.45am Reception of Remains 9.15am, and Rosary	Monday Club at 1.00pm
	Holy Mass at 6.30pm - Memorial of St Carlo Acutis <i>Angelus & Holy Rosary at 6.00pm</i>	
Tuesday 13 th October	Requiem Mass for John Currie RIP at <u>9.15am</u>	
Wednesday 14 th October	Holy Mass at 9.45am	
Thursday 15 th October	Holy Mass at 6.30pm <i>St Teresa of Avila, Virgin, Doctor</i> <i>Adoration 5.30pm-6.15pm concluding with Benediction</i> <i>Confessions 5.30pm-6.15pm</i>	RCIA at 7.00pm
Friday 16 th October	Holy Mass at 9.45am <i>Confessions 9.10-9.40am, Holy Rosary 9.20am</i>	
Sunday 18 th October - Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Vigil Mass 17 th October at 4.15pm <i>Confessions 3.30-4.00pm.</i>		
Sunday Mass at 9.00am & 10.30am (with children’s liturgy)		

Prayers for the sick and housebound
Jim Kelly, Anne Thérèse Judge, Betty Cannon, Nora McCann, Rose McGhee, John Foley, Brian Judge, Tony Gallagher, Barbara Lucock, Cathie Dunnachie, Thomas Martin, Eileen Wilkie, Caroline Boland, Jean Graham, Geraldine Boyce, Janey Tominey, John & Mary McDade, Andrew Cane, Felix Dillon, Rosaleen Grogan, Timothy Nilsson, Jean Reilly, Olivia Ratcliffe, Jean Marie Kerr, Ann Marie Martin, Elizabeth Reilly, Robert Boyle, Felix McKay, and Mary Bell.

Prayers for the Faithful Departed

Recently Deceased: Sadie White (Requiem Mass Mon 12th October at 9.45am, Reception of Remains at 9.15am followed by the Rosary), and John Currie (Requiem Mass Tues 13th October at 9.15am, Reception of Remains Mon 12th Oct at 7.00pm).
Month’s Minds: Kathleen Donnelly, Paul McMullen, Mary & Robert Grant, Maryanne Nicol, and Donnie Burns.
Anniversaries: Fr James Murray, and Gerard Corrigan.
Birthday Remembrance: Frankie Corrigan.

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