

THE PARISH OF ST. ALOYSIUS & THE SACRED HEART

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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR A 22ND FEBRUARY 2026

Welcome to our parish community. If you are a visitor (or a regular) we hope you are made feel welcome. We ask you to respect the peaceful atmosphere of our churches, where people come to find God. We do not, however, expect the impossible of small children!

Toilets are located in the hall foyer in St. Aloysius' (through the door at the rear of the Church), and at the front right in Sacred Heart. You will also find the stall in the hall foyer in St. Aloysius.

ST. ALOYSIUS

MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY

Mass at 7pm

WEDNESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

Mass at 10am

THURSDAY 26TH FEBRUARY

Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm

FRIDAY 27TH FEBRUARY

Mass at 10am

SATURDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

Mass at 10am

Vigil Mass at 5.30 pm

SUNDAY 1ST MARCH

Mass at 10am

Neurodiverse Mass at 2pm

First Sunday Devotions at 6pm

Rosary & Exposition before Mass.

THE SACRED HEART

TUESDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

Mass at 10am

Stations of the Cross after Mass

THURSDAY 26TH FEBRUARY

Requiem Mass, Margaret McCairn, 10am

Sunday 1st March

Mass at 12 Noon

Rosary 30 minutes before weekday Mass

COLLECTION: 15TH FEBRUARY

Non-Gift Aid: £ 646.17

Gift Aid: £ 878.50

Many thanks for your generosity!

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS

Each month, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month - this is usually fulfilled in the prayers at the beginning of the Rosary. During February we pray particularly:

For prayer with children with incurable diseases: Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, ~~strength~~ ^{strength} and hope. Amen

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Aloysius: Saturday at 9.30am & 5pm, Monday at 6.30pm

Sacred Heart: Sunday at 11.40am.

Confession is also available by appointment.

HALL BOOKING

St Aloysius: please contact Peter Fairlie on 07769877198;
Sacred Heart: please contact Laura McPake on 07387405559

NEURODIVERSE MASS & DEVOTIONS

Next weekend will celebrate our Neurodiverse Mass at 2pm in St Aloysius, with Sunday Devotions taking place at 6pm.

SCIAF SHIELD

If you can recall the glorious victory (*meant in a non-gloating manner*) of the parish at the first SCIAF Shield tournament, we were given the shield during the week with the parish name engraved! It will be at the back of the Church, if you wish to see proof of the victory!

2ND COLLECTIONS

In the course of Lent there will be a number of second collections (as is usually the case). These will take place on the following dates and will be for the following causes:

- 28th Feb/1st March for Sick & Retired Priests
- 21st/22nd March SCIAF
- 3rd April (Good Friday) for Holy Places

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please note Stations of the Cross will begin this week. On Thursday evening they will be at 7.30pm (**this week only**).

ST PATRICK'S NIGHT DANCE

Saturday 14th March at 7.30pm. Tickets are £7 and entertainment provided by Jai. Tickets available from a hall committee member.

RCIA

Please pray in these weeks for Alana who will be baptised into the Church at the Easter Vigil. On 7th/14th & 21st March the Scrutiny for the Elect will take place at the Vigil Masses.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Thank you to the parents, families, volunteers for encouraging children to attend. However, we are in real need of some new leaders to assist in the Liturgy, as without them there would be no liturgy. If you would be interested in volunteering a little of your time in this way, please speak with Fr Mark.

If you are S4-S6 we have youth leaders who support the leaders. If this is of interest, please speak to a member of the team.

As a way of recognising the learning of those in P6-S2, we have "Junior Leaders" offer guidance to those younger children attending. Your presence is important and you are always welcome to help in this way.

FIRST CONFESSIONS

Primary 3 are preparing for their First Reconciliation at this moment. It will take place on Thursday 26th February at 6pm. Please keep them in your prayers.

THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

A weekend for those suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood on 27th - 29th March at Conforti Centre contact Louise: beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com.

YOUTH CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

A pilgrimage walk for young adults (aged 18-30) in summer 2026 from 6th-13th July. If you are interested chat with Fr Mark or email Fr Reilly at frreilly@rcdom.org.uk.

LENT SCHEDULE

With Lent approaching the parish schedule will be as follows:

Morning Mass

- Every Friday at 8.30am in St Aloysius Primary. All Welcome.

Stations of the Cross

- Tuesday Morning. Sacred Heart after Mass
- Thursday evenings at 7pm (*expect Thursday 26th Feb which will be 7.30pm due to First Reconciliation*)

Retreat with ISC

Will begin on Sunday 15th March

Holy Week

- **Tuesday 31st March**, Choral Concert by Cathures Chamber Choir (*this is Michael's choir (our organist on a Sunday) who have offered to come and perform some music for Holy Week.*)
- It is hoped that we will be joined in Holy Week by Fr Mark Avila OMC, a bible scholar from Rome, who will preach the Triduum for us.

FRIDAY MASS

There will be a celebration of Mass in St Aloysius Primary on a Friday Morning during Lent at 8.30am. The community is very warmly invited to join at this Mass.

Please Pray for those who have died :

Margaret McCairn (*Requiem Mass, Thursday 26th February at 10am, Sacred Heart*), Sandra Grant (*Reception of Body, Sunday 8th March at 6pm; Requiem Mass, Monday 9th March at 10am*)

Please Pray for the Months Minds and Anniversaries of:

Mark Gemmell, Sam Duffy, Alex McGuire, Rita Leonard, Christine Molloy, James Cairney, Maria Hills, James & Margaret Mary McGowan, Eileen Henderson, Tommy Carey, Betty Carey, Gerry McVey, Molly Williams, Ann Smith.

Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound:

Teresa McPake; Teresa Martin; Janette Cairney; Margaret Timmons; Cathy Creilly; Elizabeth Stallard; Anne Dobbin; Teresa Robertson; Christine Morgan; Angela Higgins; Patricia Kiggins; Teresa Smith; Fr Bill Bergin; Christiane Mingram; Josephine Parker; Kristine Weir; Scott McGuire; George McKenna; Anne Marie Greig; Tony & Doriss Bonett (Malta); Agnes Malley; Betty Whittarer; Veronica McCluskey (Alloa Clackmananshire); Dorina Emanuelli (Gloucester); Ayley Crawford; Jude McGuire; Phillis McGuire; Baby Skyler McGrath; Tony Laird; Jack Donnelly; Louise Cordiner; John Gray; Paula Kirkwood; James McIntosh, Harrison Carlin; Cameron McIlwriath, Bernadette McGuire, John Turnbull, Pauline Curran, Eileen McGroarty. Gillian Dames, Moira McIndoe, Margaret Sannachan, Mary Hamill.