

THE PARISH OF ST. ALOYSIUS & THE SACRED HEART

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7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

17TH MAY 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 18TH MAY

Mass at 7pm

WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY

Mass at 10am

THURSDAY 21ST MAY

Marian Devotions at 6.30pm

FRIDAY 22ND MAY

No Mass at 10am

Mass for the Sick at 5.30pm

SATURDAY 23RD MAY

Mass at 10am

Vigil Mass at 5.30pm

SUNDAY 24TH MAY

Family Mass at 10am

Rosary & Exposition before Mass

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 May we pray particularly:

That everyone might have food: We pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

MASS TIMES

Please note there is no 10am Mass this Friday.

THANKS

Thanks to Fr Martin for saying the Vigil Mass this weekend while I attend my niece's First Holy Communion.

200 CLUB

200 Club envelopes for the next session (June-Nov) are available at the back of Church. Please put your FULL NAME and payment (£30) in the envelope and return to Church house/collection basket.

HALL BOOKING

St Aloysius: 07769877198; Sacred Heart: 07387405559

THE SACRED HEART

TUESDAY 19TH MAY

Requiem Mass for Mary McPake at 10am

THURSDAY 21ST MAY

Mass at 10am

SUNDAY 24TH MAY

Mass at 12 Noon

Rosary 30 minutes before weekday Mass

COLLECTION: 10TH MAY

Non-Gift Aid: £677.62

Gift Aid: £990.60

Many thanks for your continued generosity!

TRUST IN GOD STILL: A FESTIVAL OF SYNODALITY

On behalf of Bishop Brian McGee, you are invited to the National Festival of Synodality at Glasgow Caledonian University on Saturday, 6th June. The Festival will focus on Conversation in the Spirit, a simple and powerful way of communal discernment rooted in listening, conversion and mission. The day will celebrate the fruits already flourishing in the Church in Scotland and include input from Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ, Fr David McCallum SJ and Sandra Chaoul. Participants will also have the opportunity to experience Conversation in the Spirit first hand. Lunch is included. All are welcome, especially those involved in parish and diocesan life, pastoral councils, schools and faith organisations. If you wish to attend please speak with Fr Mark as the parish will sponsor those who would be interested in this day!

SVDP MASS FOR THE SICK

This annual Mass where Catholics are able to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, although other faiths are welcome to attend for a blessing, will be celebrated in St Aloysius on Friday 22nd May at 5.30pm. Lists are available at the back of the Church for attendance and all are cordially invited into the hall for a meal and entertainment after Mass. Please advise of any dietary requirements needed.

SECOND COLLECTION: COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY

This weekend is Communications Sunday, a day focused on how the Gospel is shared through media, digital platforms, broadcasting and communications. From parish social media pages, live streamed Masses, videos and news coverage, communications plays an important role in helping people stay connected to the life of the Church. The second collection this weekend supports the work of the Office of Communications & Evangelisation of the Bishops' Conference as it continues to share the Gospel on these platforms.

FAMILY MASS

Family Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 24th May at 10am.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS

May Devotions with Solemn Benediction to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal continue this evening at 6.30pm. **The other dates are Thursday 21st May & Sunday 31st May.**

FRANCISCAN JUBILEE

During this year of Franciscan Jubilee, Mass will be celebrated every Monday night in St John Ogilvie, Blantyre at 7pm with an opportunity to venerate a relic of St Francis - those wishing to obtain a plenary indulgence are encouraged to attend this particular Mass.

GOSPEL FOCUS

The Gospel Focus group meet on a Tuesday Night in St Aloysius Presbytery at 7pm. All are welcome to come along to the evenings.

CONSOLATION MEETING ON DIOCESE

The An open meeting, to which you are most welcome to attend, to participate in the Consultation on the Structures of Catholic Dioceses in Scotland will take place on Monday 25th May in St Bride's Centre, Motherwell, at 7pm.

The format of this meeting will be a Conversation in the Spirit in which those present will be invited to share their thinking on the following questions:

- (a) Where do we see good examples of mission in our parishes, deanery, diocese and country?
- (b) Where does mission need to develop or even begin? What are the barriers to better mission and what can encourage it?
- (c) Does the present structure of eight dioceses in Scotland support mission? Does our Diocese already have all that it needs? Would it help if we shared resources with another diocese or dioceses? Would it help if our Diocese merged with another diocese?

It is intended that all opinions, including minority positions, will be recorded and the report of the meeting sent to Bishop Toal by 31st May. The Bishop will feed the report into the diocesan submission for the national discussion with the other bishops. It is intended that the national report will be submitted to the Dicastery for Bishops in Rome to make them aware of how Scottish Catholics understand the Church's Mission in our country today and the diocesan structures which will best serve this Mission.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

The Parish Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 30th May at 12 Noon. Please do keep the children of primary 4 in your prayers in these weeks as they prepare to receive our Lord in the Eucharist - a defining moment in their faith journey.

Please Pray for those who have died :

Mary McPake (*Requiem Mass Tuesday 19th May, Sacred Heart at 10am*), George Carson. Roddy O'Connor.

Please Pray for the Easter Months Minds and Anniversaries of:

Frank Fox, John Maynes, Dorethea Allison, Alexander Carmichael, Robert McPake, Joseph Sherry, Baby Kieran Doyle, Charles Tobin, Joe, Chris, Janie & Alex Clark, Jim Doyle, Scott & Amanda Laing, Josephine Rennie, James Cairney.

Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound:

Teresa McPake; 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, Euan Donald, Hugh Morgan.