

THE R.C. PARISH OF ST. ALOYSIUS

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SOLEMNITY: THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY, YEAR A, 16TH AUGUST 2026



Welcome to our parish community, we hope you are made feel welcome. We ask everyone to respect the peaceful atmosphere of our churches - 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.

Day	Church	Service	Time
MONDAY 17TH AUGUST	St Aloysius	<i>Exposition of Blessed Sacrament</i>	12-7pm
		<i>Confession</i>	6.30pm
		<i>Mass</i>	7pm
TUESDAY 18TH AUGUST	St Aloysius	<i>Mass</i>	10am
	St Aloysius	<i>Exposition of B.S.</i>	12-6pm
WEDNESDAY 19TH AUGUST	St Aloysius	<i>Exposition of B.S.</i>	9-10am
		<i>Mass</i>	10am
THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST	St Aloysius	<i>Mass</i>	10am
	St Aloysius	<i>Exposition of B.S.</i>	12-6pm
FRIDAY 21ST AUGUST	St Aloysius	<i>Primary 1 Welcome Mass - all school</i>	10am
		<i>Exposition of B.S.</i>	12-6pm
SATURDAY 22ND AUGUST	St Aloysius	<i>Exposition of B.S.</i>	9-10am
		<i>Confession</i>	9.30am
		<i>Mass</i>	10am
		<i>Confession</i>	5pm
		<i>Vigil Mass</i>	5.30pm
SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST	St Aloysius	<i>Sunday Mass</i>	10am
	Sacred Heart	<i>Confession</i>	11.40am
		<i>Sunday Mass</i>	12 Noon

PLEASE NOTE:

All weekday Masses will take place in St Aloysius during the week.
There will be no 10am Mass in Sacred Heart.

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS

Each month, Pope Leo asks for our prayers for a specific intention. During August we pray particularly:

For evangelisation in cities: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

200 CLUB WINNER

Congratulations to the winners of July's draw for the 200 Club. **We are still waiting on Myra McLachlan collecting her winnings.** If you could please speak with Fr Mark or a member of the welcome team.

HOLIDAY

I will be spending a weeks retreat at the Benedictine Monastery in Montserrat and then taking a summer holiday, afterwards, on a cruise from Sunday 23rd August - I will return on the 14th September.

During this time Fr Tom Magill will cover the parish. If there are any emergencies or you need to arrange anything please get in touch with him on: 07789 708192.

During these weeks there will be no Monday evening Mass (instead at 10am) and no Saturday morning Mass.

PARISH YOUNG ADULT GROUP

In the near future a young adults group will be starting parish. For those aged 18-25. Looking at holidays and Parish pilgrimage at the end of September, we will likely be aiming for an October start. Please pass the word on and begin to think of inviting people to join the group!

COLLECTION: 9TH AUGUST

Non-Gift Aid: £ 607.25 Gift Aid: £ 920.00
Thanks for your continued generosity!

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Next year the Diocesan Pilgrimage travels to Lourdes in July of 2027. Normally the date is around 12th July and the approximate cost will be about £1100. More details in late Autumn.

GOSPEL FOCUS

The Gospel Focus group have started meeting again after a break over the summer. They meet on a Tuesday night on St Aloysius House at 7pm. The group selected passages of Scripture accompanied with some study notes and discuss/share their knowledge/reading of it. All are welcome to join for what is a warm, friendly and interesting discussion.

WESTERN CATHOLIC CALENDARS

If you'd like to place an order for the Western Catholic Calendar please put your name at the Stall. They cost £3.50 and an order will be put in this week.

RCIA

The Parish RCIA group will run after 10am Mass on a Sunday in St Aloysius Church House starting from 6th September. If you are (or know of anyone) interested in this, please speak with Fr Mark.

SACRAMENT DATES

The dates for the celebration of the Sacraments are as follows:

First Reconciliation: Tuesday 9th March
First Holy Communion: Saturday 8th May
Confirmation: Wednesday 11th November

There will be a meeting for those parents with children in the sacramental classes on Tuesday 15th September at 6pm.

Please note that the primary school will join us on Friday 21st August for a 'Primary 1 Welcome Mass' at 10am.

There will be an S1 Welcome Mass on Thursday 20th August at 2pm in St Margaret's High School. All parents/family welcome.

Please Pray for those who have died :

John James Bryce (*Requiem Mass, Monday 24th August, 10am*), Joseph McGuire.

Please Pray for the Months Minds and Anniversaries of:

Elizabeth Brogan, Chris Clark, Baby Kieran Doyle, Charles Tobin, Joe, Janie & Alex Clark, Jim Doyle, Scott & Amanda Laing, Josephine Rennie, James Cairney, Mary Higgins, Joseph Lindsay, Agnes Kane, Tommy Winnie.

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; Christine Mingram; Josephine Parker; Kristine Weir; Scott McGuire; George McKenna; Anne Marie Greig; Tony & Doriss Bonett (Malta); Agnes Malley; Betty Whittarer; Dorina Emanuelli (Gloucester); Ayley Crawford; Jude McGuire; Phillis McGuire; Baby Skyler McGrath; Tony Laird; 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, Fr Daniel Rooney.

ASSISTED SUICIDE (WESTMINSTER)

On 11 September, MPs are expected to vote again on assisted suicide. It is not simply another parliamentary debate, but a decision profoundly affecting how society protects people who are seriously ill, elderly, disabled or vulnerable.

Approaching the end of life we all want to be treated with dignity, compassion and proper care. But assisted suicide is not the answer to this difficult time. The answer is better palliative care, stronger safeguards and a society that tells every person: your life matters, you are not a burden. The proposals returning to Westminster remain deeply unsafe: allowing assisted suicide to be raised with vulnerable patients. That creates a real risk of pressure, subtle coercion or a sense that choosing death is expected. Concerns have also been raised about people with hidden disabilities, eating disorders or complex medical conditions being inadequately protected. Once the principle is accepted, there is a serious danger that assisted suicide could come to be seen as a cheaper or easier alternative to high-quality care. Before your MP votes, please make sure they hear from you. A short email matters if you are able.

Please contact your MP today and urge them to vote no. Ask them to defend vulnerable people and focus on fixing care, not legalising assisted suicide.

BULLETIN

While I am away there will still be a published bulletin. If you have any Months Minds/Anniversaries **please ensure these are posted through the letter box of the house by Thursday afternoon.**

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 24th August - 14th September.