# ST. ALOYSIUS & THE SACRED HEART



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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

# ST. ALOYSIUS

#### MONDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

Deanery Mass for Jubilee of Hope at 7pm

# WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

Mass at 10am

#### FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

P1 Welcome Mass at 10am Mass

### SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

Mass at 10am Vigil Mass at 5.30 pm

# SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER

Mass at 10am Neurodiverse Mass at 2pm First Sunday Devotions at 6pm

Rosary 30 minutes before weekday Mass Exposition of Blessed Sacrament before weekday Mass.

# THE SACRED HEART

TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

Mass at 10am

THURSDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER

Mass at 10am

**SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER** 

Mass at Noon

Rosary at 9.30am at weekday Mass.

#### **COLLECTION: 24TH AUGUST**

Non-Gift Aid: £ 595.95 Gift Aid: £ 953.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

# **HALL BOOKING**

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

#### 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 September we pray particularly:

# For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

# **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**St Aloysius**: Saturday at 9.30am & 5pm, Monday at 6.30pm **Sacred Heart:** Sunday at 11.40am.

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Monday 1st September:** Deanery Mass with Bishop in St Aloysius Church at 7pm.

**Friday 5th September:** Primary 1 Welcome Mass in St Aloysius at 10am Mass.

**Sunday 7th September**: National Pilgrimage Day in Carfin Grotto - with Mass at 3pm.

**Tuesday 16th September:** Vocations Mass in Motherwell Cathedral at 7pm.

# **2ND COLLECTION**

A second collection to contribute to the costs of training men for the Priesthood will take place next weekend (6th/7th September.)

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Next weekend (Sunday 7th September) we celebrate our monthly Neurodiverse Mass in St Aloysius at 2pm.

In the evening we will also have First Sunday Devotions starting at 6pm.

#### MASS FOR JUBILEE OF HOPE

On Monday evening Bishop Toal will celebrate Mass with the other Parishes of the Airdrie Deanery in St Aloysius. Mass will be at 7pm. After Mass you are warmly invited into the hall for some refreshments and a buffet. If you are free, please try and make an effort to attend.

#### **ARGYLL & THE ISLES DIOCESAN MUSIC GROUP**

Before Covid the Diocesan Music group for the Diocese of Argyll & Isles used to meet and practice in Conforti institue, Coatbridge and they would celebrate their Sunday Liturgy at an extra Mass in St Aloysius where they accompanied the Liturgy. They are meeting for the first time since Covid on the weekend 20/21st September. To assist them, on Sunday 21st September, there will be an extra Mass in St Aloysius (a priest from their Diocese celebrating) at 12 Noon. There is an open invitation to our parishioners join them for this Sunday Mass.

#### **200 CLUB WINNERS**

Congratulations to this months winners:

1st: Terry Grant £155 2nd: Margaret McLaren: £90 3rd: Thomas Lagan: £60

# VISIT FROM A PRIEST IN HOSPITAL

If you ever find yourself in the unfortunate situation of being hospitalised, please note that you must declare to the nursing staff that you are Catholic and that you'd like to be visited by the hospital chaplain or that you'd like to receive Holy Communion on a Sunday. If you do not do this there is no way for the Fr McPhail to know you are hospitalised. We are extremely fortunate that Monklands Hospital is so well served by Fr McPhail and other Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist on a weekly basis - but if they don't know you are in, they can't visit!

#### **RCIA**

For those interested in joining the RCIA this year, the first meeting will take place on Thursday 4th September at 7pm in the Presbytery.

# ST BENEDICT JOSEPH LABRÈ

A quite unusual saint, but one who may provide great intercession for us: although patron saint of those who are homeless, he is also patron for those with mental health issues. His story is quite remarkable. Benedict was the eldest of 15 children, born in France, 1748 into a wealthy family. From an early age he was disinterested in the usual childish things but had a great interest in God. It is safe to say that he was considered odd to his peers, and probably rather eccentric. He was not particularly interested in academic advancement but desired to join the Trappist Monks in their monastery. He was, however, rejected from these monasteries for the above reasons. He decided to commit to an extreme way of life after these rejections. Abandoning his country, family and inheritance he decided to devoutly visit as a pilgrim the famous places of Christian devotion. He carried no extra clothing, a rosary about his neck, another in his hand, carried a crucifix, a Testament, a breviary and other pious books. He slept on the ground and for the most part in the open air. The last 6 years of his life he spent in Rome where he never asked for alms and was anxious to give away to the poor whatever he received in excess. He was filled with the love of God and neighbour, and had special devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. In Rome he was called "the poor man of the Forty Hours devotion." Benedict spent a lot of time in prayer at the Church of Santa Maria dei Monti, not very far from the Colosseum, where there is a beautiful tomb dedicated to him. He died aged 35 not far from the steps of that Church.

While in Lourdes, I got medals of the Saint commissioned. They will be available in the stall in silver (£25) or bronze (£35) along with

#### Please Pray for those who have died:

Kerry Ann Kearny; Scott Larnach; Agnes Ferry; James Anthony Molloy; Diana Barber; Alicia Kynaston.

# Please Pray for the Months Minds and Anniversaries of:

Pat McLarne; Betty Boyle Martin; Mary Boyle; Sam McGhee; Daniel Brown; David Mackenzie; Bridget Hughes; Mary Airlie; Alexander Carmichael.

#### Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound:

Fr Malcolm Hutchison, Teresa McPake; Teresa Martin; Janette Cairney; Margaret Timmons; Cathy Creilly; Elizabeth Stallard; Anne Dobbin; Eddie Feeley; Teresa Robertson; Christine Morgan; Angela Higgins; Patricia Kiggins; Teresa Smith; Fr Bill Bergin; Christiane Mingram; Josephine Parker; Kristine Weir; Irene Henderson; Scott McGuire; George McKenna; Anne Marie Greig; Tony & Doriss Bonett (Malta); Agnes Malley; Betty Whittarer; Veronica McCluskey (Alloa Clackmananshire); Dorina Emanuelli (Glouchester); Ayley Crawford; Jude McGuire; Stephen Higgins; Phillis McGuire; Baby Skyler McGrath; Laura McLeish; Tony Laird; Jack Donnelly; John Murray; Louise Cordiner; John Gray; Paula Kirkwood; James McIntosh, Harrison Carlin; Cameron McIlwriath, Bernadette McGuire, Margaret Hollywood; Margaret Bolton