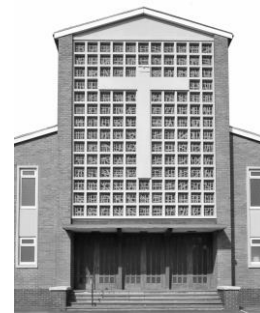




SUNDAY BULLETIN



ST MATTHEW'S and OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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SUNDAY LITURGY: 1st August, 2021

18th Sunday of the Year - B

Psalm Response	<i>The Lord gave them bread from heaven</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!</i>
SUNDAY MASSES: 9.30am at St. Matthew's & 11am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	

Religious discontent is indistinguishable from the history of spiritual renewal and awakening.

Religion is often characterised as contentment, the idea that faith and faithfulness offer peace, security and certainty. In this mode God is depicted in kindly ways, the church as an escape from the cares and stresses of the world, and religious leaders as pastors, the spiritual caretakers of the flock.

Although most faith traditions do offer such surety to believers, religion has another guise as well – the prophetic tradition. In the prophetic mode, faith discomforts the members of a community, opens their eyes and hearts to the shortcomings of their own lives and injustice in the world, and presses for human society to more fully embody God's dream of healing and love for all peoples.

Religious faiths struggle between the pastoral and the prophetic, comfort and agitation.

In a very real way institutions are inherently pastoral – they seek to maintain those things that give comfort by baptising shared values and virtues of a community. They reinforce the way things are (or were) through the appeals to divine or supernatural order. They are always slow to change.

Institutions resist prophets. Prophet's question. They push for things to be different. They push people to behave better toward one another. They want change.

The history of Christianity can be told as a story of the tension between order and prophecy.

Spiritual outbursts almost always precede real reform. Might spiritual discontent be today's prophetic edge, needing institutions to listen, to change, to be more responsive and relevant? Are the rumblings signs of some new form of faith?

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PARISHES OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL AND ST. MATTHEW'S

Mass and Eucharistic Service Schedule for the Forthcoming Week

Sunday 1st August	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>John 6:24-25</i>
Monday 2nd August	9.30am Rosary at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Matthew 14:13-21</i>
Tuesday 3rd August	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed sacrament at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew 14:22-36</i>
Wednesday 4th August	10.00am Mass at St. Joseph's	10.30am Rosary at St. Joseph's	<i>Matthew 15:21-28</i>
Thursday 5th August	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Matthew 16:13-23</i>
Friday 6th August	9.30am Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Mark 9:2-10</i>
Saturday 7th August	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Matthew 17:14-20</i>
Sunday 8th August	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>John 6:41-51</i>

SACRAMENTS

Marriage	By arrangement with Fr. Martin. The Diocese of Galloway requires that couples give a minimum of six months notice of their intention to marry
Baptism	By arrangement with Fr. Martin.
Reconciliation	Available on request at suitable times

St. Matthew's Weekly 200 Club	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Monthly 200 Club

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Recently Deceased: Ann Boyce and Lorette Pearson. *May all our departed rest in peace.*

Anniversaries: Jenny McCulloch, Suzanne Bailey and Paul Kelly

People who are ill: Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, Mary Gibson, Michelle Dunne, Leona McAllister, Betty Deeney, Lorette Pearson, Mary Hasson, Donald Gibon, Senga McCann, Valerie Toal, Sarah Lobban, Frank Mullen, Helen O'Donnell, Nathalie Feeney. Mary McLaughlin, Agnes Lennon, May Hollywood, Frances O'Neill, Joan Murtagh, Patricia Stevenson, Anna Hendry, Helen McClure, James Hughes, and Max McLean

St. Matthew's Foodbank

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Toiletries For The Homeless

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Liturgy Ministry Rota for 19th Sunday of the Year - B

<i>1 Kings 19:4-8</i>	<i>Psalm 33</i>	<i>Ephesians 4:30-5:2</i>	<i>John 6:41-51</i>
Venue	Readers	Ministers	
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St. Matthew's			

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WEEKLY NOTICES

Feasts This Week	Sunday 1 st 18 th Sunday of Year B; Wednesday 4 th – St John Mary Vianney; Friday 6 th – Feast of the Transfiguration; Sunday 8 th – 19 th Sunday of Year B.
Baptism Congratulations	To AIDEN ANDERSON who received the Sacrament of Baptism recently. May this Baptism be a moment of blessing from God
Sunday Obligation	Please remember that, during this next stage of the COVID pandemic, the obligation to attend Mass on a Sunday has been lifted. You may decide, therefore, to attend Mass through the week instead of at the weekend.
Covid 19 Update	<p>From Monday 19th July the country moved to level 0 with regard to Covid restrictions. This obviously meant a number of changes as to how we celebrate Mass. These changes took effect from 19th July:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Social distancing is reduced from 2m to 1m. This means more people can be accommodated at Mass in both St Matthew's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel. In both Churches, the capacity will be around 85-90. ❖ Even with this increased capacity, we are able to maintain a high level of hygiene and safety. ❖ Recognising the increased capacity in St. Matthew's, the Saturday Vigil Mass will be discontinued from this weekend onwards. It was always a temporary measure during Covid to accommodate people wanting to attend restricted Masses; ❖ A booking system for Sunday Masses will still be in place (at least for the next few weeks) to see how people are accommodated under the new guidelines; ❖ There will be a Saturday morning 10am Mass in St. Matthew's each week; ❖ Mask wearing will continue and all hygiene and sanitising protocols remain in place; <p>Since there may be further easing of restrictions from the government, some time in the future, these current arrangements will be kept under review</p>
Booking a Place at Mass	<p>You can book a seat at Mass in the following ways...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Each week from the Sunday evening at 6pm, you can book a seat online through the Parish website for either of the two Sunday Masses; For those who do not have access to online booking, on the following Friday afternoon from 5pm and 6pm, parishioners will be able to phone in and book a seat. The number is: 07847 726 845 (please do not text this number to book, please use the website or call as above).
Coming Back to Mass	With the further easing of restrictions, Fr. Martin is encouraging all parishioners to think about coming to Mass IN PERSON.
Fr Martin Says Thank You	<i>"I am aware that there are so many people to thank during this Covid period. Parishioners have stepped up to the plate making sure that fellow parishioners feel safe and secure whilst coming in and out of Church. In particular I would like to thank Colin Mulhern who has co-ordinated the booking system for both Churches. I would also like to thank Frances McCann (OLMC) and Jim Drennan (St. Matthew's) for organising the volunteers and seating plans. God bless to you all."</i>
Foodbank Donations	<p>With the prospect of a continued pandemic, further job losses and business closures, the local FOODBANK is asking for help. The Kilmarnock office is open at 13 – 15 Old Irvine Road, Kilmarnock, KA1 1DH. Monday to Friday 9am to 4.30pm. Phone 550951</p> <p>Alternatively, donations of food can be handed in to Fr. Martin.</p>
Youth Hub	The Hub will be restarting in September. We have secured the services of the Salesian community in Glasgow to be our Youth Hub leader working alongside our Parish volunteers. More information coming soon.
Livestream	Go to YouTube "St Matthew's & Our Lady of Mount Carmel Kilmarnock" for weekday Mass on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am. Wednesday Mass is from St. Joseph's – Go to YouTube "St Joseph's Church Kilmarnock."
Sycamore Course	The Sycamore course is a faith sharing tool in the Diocese designed to build Parish communities and to deepen faith while supporting Parishes towards a pastoral response in the post-pandemic period through building faith, prayer, mission and community. It is hoped that Parishes and organisations will share in a sense of diocesan unity by undertaking activities during the 6 weeks between 11 th October and 19 th November, 2021, however it is possible to engage in activities at a different time to meet local requirements. You can find a lot of information online, at https://www.sycamore.fm . Please let Fr. Martin know if you are interested.
St. Matthew's Car Park	Grateful thanks are given to Hamilton Tarmac for the excellent work on St Matthew's Car Park.
Livestreaming	Masses are being livestreamed to foster participation of those who cannot attend in person. The cameras will focus on the altar. Sometimes the back of people's heads will appear, especially of those seated at the front of the church. At communion and on exit the camera will not focus on those coming forward. If you are attending Mass in person and do not wish to be filmed in the live-stream please contact Fr Martin and an arrangement will be made.
Assistance In Need	If you are experiencing any form of domestic abuse, you are not alone and help is available. Please contact your parish priest by any means that is safe for you to do.
Ecumenical Call Prayer	You are invited to join with Christians throughout the country in praying together online every Sunday at 7pm. Join in on: http://www.acts-scotland.org/
East Ayrshire Coronavirus Call Centre	East Ayrshire Council will coordinate assistance to the community at a single telephone number 01563 554400 from Monday to Friday from 9 am – 5 pm, and Saturday and Sunday from 9 am – 3 pm. You will be asked to describe the type of support or assistance required. Urgent needs, including meals and food parcels will be supported through local resilience groups. In a crisis, support will be arranged by a council officer.

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