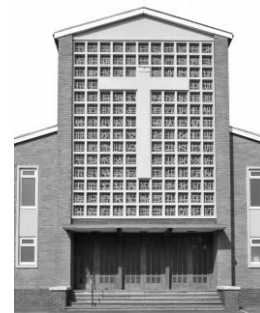




SUNDAY BULLETIN



ST MATTHEW'S and OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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SUNDAY LITURGY: 26th September, 2021

26th Sunday of the Year - Solemnity - B

Psalm Response	<i>The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!</i>
SUNDAY MASSES: 9.30am at St. Matthew's & 11am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	

The incident in Mary and Martha's house in Bethany is, to the natural eye, a trivial one with little lasting importance to Martha or to us. Small in itself, however, I believe it was really a call to come higher, a breakthrough in Martha's transformation in God. She was called to let go of her own ideas of what it meant to love her Lord; to discover experientially that His ways are not hers, nor His thoughts her thoughts. It was the moment when Martha began to learn the difference between working for God and doing God's work.....small, apparently unimportant incidents can be fraught with great significance when viewed through the divine perspective..... Frequently the demands and frustrations of the apostolate, or of raising a family and earning a living, seem to be merely obstacles to a genuine and deep prayer life. ...the Lord works through these external activities and events to allow us to see them quite differently. They become for us the very sandpaper of our sanctification, at least as important to our growth as what happens in the solitude of formal prayer.

This means that as our prayer life matures, the distinction between formal prayer and active service becomes blurred – the Ignatian ideal of the “contemplative in action” called to seek God in all things. Prayer becomes more and more the time we give to the Lord to work his will in us rather than the time we do something and consequently active service will become more and more the Lord at work rather than ourselves. Even in the busiest moments we should begin to discover that it is He who is at work always guiding our hand to shape events and guiding events to shape our spirits

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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 26th September	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Mark</i> 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
Monday 27th September	9.30am Rosary at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Luke</i> 9:46-50
Tuesday 28th September	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed sacrament at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 9:51-56
Wednesday 29th September	10.00am Mass at St. Joseph's	10.30am Rosary at St. Joseph's	<i>John</i> 1:47-51
Thursday 30th September	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Luke</i> 10:1-12
Friday 1st October	9.30am Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 10:13-16
Saturday 2nd October	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Matthew</i> 18:1-5, 10
Sunday 3rd October	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Mark</i> 10:2-16

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: *Frank McCrossan and Jack Jones. May all our departed rest in peace.*

Anniversaries:

People who are ill: *Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, Mary Gibson, Michelle Dunne, Leona McAllister, Betty Deeney, 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, Max McLean, Betty Dalziel and Peter Herral.*

St. Matthew's Foodbank

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Toiletries For The Homeless

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Liturgy Ministry Rota for 27th Sunday of the Year - B

<i>Genesis</i> 2:18-24	<i>Psalm</i> 127	<i>Hebrews</i> 2:9-11	<i>Mark</i> 10:2-16
Venue	Readers	Ministers	
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	B Abbott K Ovens	F McCann	
St. Matthew's			

Collection Totals.

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St. Matthew's		
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Baptism Congratulations	To ELSIE MILLY DALGLEISH who received the Sacrament of Baptism recently. May this Baptism be a moment of blessing from God.
Feasts This Week	Sunday 26 th – 26 th Sunday of Year B; Monday 27 th – St Vincent de Paul; Wednesday 29 th – Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael; Thursday 30 th – St Jerome; Friday 1 st – St Therese of the Child Jesus; Saturday 2 nd – Guardian Angels; Sunday 3 rd – 27 th Sunday of Year B.
Livestream	Go to YouTube “ <i>St Matthew’s & Our Lady of Mount Carmel Kilmarnock</i> ” 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.”
EACHa	We’ve had a request for help from EACHa (East Ayrshire Homelessness Action). Parishioners are invited to donate the following: · Non-perishable food; Toiletries, especially men’s essentials; any unwanted cutlery, crockery, pots and pans; cleaning items, such as surface cleaner, sponges, washing up liquid; Duvets and pillows and duvet covers (we have plenty sheets); strong carrier bags. If you are able to help, please call Janice Grant on 07581 722331.
Foodbank Donations	Fr Martin is hopeful that we can restart the great work of our Foodbank in the near future. This will be an even more difficult task than before, and we may well require to go it alone for a time to help our local community as we enter the next phase of the pandemic recovery. To this end we will require emergency supplies of food and carrier bags so please if you can help, please bring your donation along to both St Matthews and Our Lady of Mount Carmel. If you cannot organise food donations but would like to help a monetary donation to the Foodbank, please hand this into Fr Martin. If you would also like to help the volunteers when the Foodbank reopens on either a Tuesday or a Thursday, please leave details at the church (volunteers are generally asked to volunteer once a month).
Freespace	This is a prayer group which meets at St. Matthew’s Church House for a quiet space of prayer, chat and reflection ... Tuesday, 28th September at 7pm.
Women’s Group	This faith-sharing group meets on the last Wednesday of each month (2pm) in St Matthew’s Hall. New members welcome
Youth Hub	The Hub will be restarting in September 27 th from 6-8pm. It is open to any young person who is in Secondary School. The Youth Hub Leader will be one of the Salesian Sisters who will run the sessions helped by our own volunteers. However, the Youth Hub needs financial help. Before lockdown, parishioners took out a Standing Order to help support the work of the Youth Hub – <i>can you consider taking out a new Standing Order to help this exciting new stage of the Youth Hub?</i>
Sycamore Course	For the Parishes of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Matthew’s there will be two Sycamore Discussion groups: Sunday 2pm in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Thursday 7pm in St Matthew’s Church. These groups will start in the week of Sunday 17 th October, and you are invited to go to whichever group suits you best. Please SIGN UP TODAY at the back of Church!!!
Altar Servers	Both Churches of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Matthew’s are looking for new Altar Servers. We are appealing particularly to those who have celebrated First Communion and Confirmation in the past two years to come forward as new Servers. Fr. Martin will be arranging a meeting for new Altar Servers soon; speak to him or to any of the current Altar Servers.
Children’s Liturgy	It is hoped to start this Children’s Liturgy soon. Fr. Martin is inviting children from age 4 to the those preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation to come forward to be part of this Liturgy.
School Solar Light Project	The Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary are trying to raise funds for this project to provide solar light for the Charles Heerey Memorial Juniorate (school), Nigeria. Please support this worthy cause by signing the sponsorship form and making a donation. The form is in the church porch - many thanks
Pilgrimage of Healing and Hope	Virtual Pilgrimage through the Holy Land with Mary Magdalene Directed by: Kathleen Nichols, with Fr. Eamon Kelly, LC and the Magdala Team DATES September 29 th to November 2 nd , 2021 Pilgrimage october 2021 – Magdala Tourist Centre We embark on a new virtual adventure! This October we invite you to travel through the Holy Land on a pilgrimage of healing and hope, inspired by Mary Magdalene. Visiting the sites where Jesus healed from the comfort of your own home. There is no cost for the pilgrimage. Register online: https://youtu.be/7E2LbZ5G9IQ
A Faith Based Challenge to COP26	This is a ZOOM meeting led by Fr Seán McDonagh on Thursday 23 rd September at 7.00 - 9.00 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together, as women and men of faith, to discern the action needed at COP26. For registration details please email: slaitynetwork@gmail.com
OLMC Society of St Vincent de Paul	Monday evening meetings have now started again after stopping in March 2020 due to the COVID restrictions. Although unable to meet, the SSVP was still supporting the local community. All the store cupboard items and a cash sum were donated to the food bank, 10 donations of groceries were made to the community larder, 71 families were supported with Farmfoods vouchers and selection boxes at Christmas and over 30 Mass cards were given. The black collection boxes are sitting out for donations and your support would be gratefully received. Anyone requiring help should attend at the door at the front of the church between 7.30 and 8.15pm on a Monday evening or email OLMC_SSVP@icloud.com
St. Matthew’s Chairs	We have too many chairs in the hall, and committee room, so we are disposing of the red chairs and the orange chairs. If you would like some of the chairs phone Margaret on 07765 715798. We may restrict everyone to 4 chairs depending on the uptake. A small donation for the chairs would be appreciated.
Prayers for the Sick	Please, if you notice that there are errors in the list printed e.g. someone has recovered or has, sadly, died, will you contact your Bulletin Co-ordinator in order that corrections may be made and no offense/upset caused.
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.

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