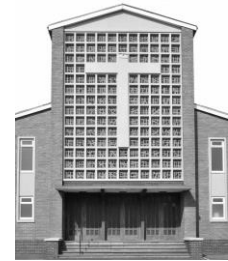




SUNDAY BULLETIN



ST MATTHEW'S and OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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Liturgy	Sunday 27th February, 2022 8th Sunday of the Year - C
Psalm Response	<i>It is good to give thanks, O Lord.</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!</i>
SUNDAY MASSES: 9.30am at St. Matthew's & 11am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	

Please, ask your child(ren) to return to you immediately after the Children's Liturgy if you do not wish them to be captured on the live-stream recording.
LIVESTREAM MASSES: [YouTube St Matthew's & Our Lady of Mount Carmel Kilmarnock](#) and [YouTube St Joseph's Church Kilmarnock](#)

TO LIVE TRULY, FULLY, FREELY

God, you are the giver of Life.
The whole universe is a gift of your love.
In communion with all created things, I stand in awe
Before this great mystery of Life.
I see that all creation
Trees, birds, stones, mice, seas, mountains
Gives glory and thanks to you
Just by being what they are
And taking their part in the unfolding of the Universal story.
However long or short their span of life, each has its own part
to play.

I believe now that my destiny is for me too,
To live fully what I am,
And in this way give thanks and praise for the wonder of my
being,
And so, reflect your beauty and truth in our world

Help me to participate in the story of life,
By being responsible and loving in my relationship with creation;
Not as a superior being, not taking more than I need,
Not seeking to dominate or make myself the centre of everything,
Not being manipulative, blind, demanding, controlling
Or interfering with the ongoing process of creation.

Help me rather to welcome differences,
Difficulties, losses, uncertainties, tensions and even death
As part of the natural conditions for growth and emergence of
new life.

Lord, the deepest desire of my heart
Is to live truly, fully and freely as you made me,
So often I lose sight of this;
I live falsely and am not present to what is unfolding around and
within me.

Help me to be more aware,
To see more clearly what your dream is for me,
To respond lovingly, freely and generously to your invitation -
Drawing me more and more deeply into eternal union
With all that is and
And with you my loving God

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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 27th February	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 6:39-45
Monday 28th February	9.30am Rosary at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Mark</i> 10:17-27
Tuesday 1st March	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel - James Mackin RIP	<i>Mark</i> 10:28-31
Wednesday 2nd March	ASH WEDNESDAY 9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew</i> 6:1-6.16-18
Thursday 3rd March	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Luke</i> 9:22-25
Friday 4th March	9.30 Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew</i> 9:14-15
Saturday 5th March	NO MASS TODAY		<i>Luke</i> 5:27-32
Sunday 6th March	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 4:1-13

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: *Sadie Lobban, Sheila McDonnell, James Mackin and Jim Clark*
May all our departed rest in peace.

Anniversaries:

People who are ill: *Willie McCann, Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, Mary Gibson, Michelle Dunne, Leona McAllister, Mary Hasson, Donald Gibon, Senga McCann, Valerie Toal, Frank Mullen, Helen O'Donnell, Nathalie Feeney, Mary McLaughlin, Agnes Lennon, May Hollywood, Frances O'Neill, Helen McClure, James Hughes, Max McLean and Peter Herral.* (Please alert the Parish co-ordinator of any changes)

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Liturgy Ministry Rota for 1st Sunday of Lent - C

<i>Deuteronomy</i> 26:4-10	<i>Psalm</i> 90	<i>Romans</i> 10:8-13	<i>Luke</i> 4:1-13
Venue	Readers	Ministers	
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	B Murphy M McGuire	J Hefron	
St. Matthew's	Ann Gillion Gerry Coyle Maureen Bradley	Maureen Walsh Louise Johnston	

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Feasts This Week	Sun 27th – 8th Sunday of Year C; Wed 2nd – Ash Wednesday; Sun 6th – 1st Sunday of Lent Year C.
SCIAF	Please take your SCIAF packet from the back of the church today to use and pray with during Lent.
New Archbishop For Glasgow	With thanks for the seven years as our Bishop of Galloway, please keep Archbishop Nolan and the Archdiocese of Glasgow in your prayers. Importantly, please pray also for the Diocese of Galloway, that a good and holy pastor will be appointed as our next bishop.
Sacrament of Confirmation	Congratulations to all the children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Tuesday in Our Lady of Mount Carmel church. Please pray for them and their families.
Synod Meeting	There will be a Joint Meeting for parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Matthew's parishioners TODAY, Sunday 27th February, in St. Matthew's at 1.00pm
Baptism Preparation	This will take place at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church on Tuesday 1 st March at 6.15pm.
Quiet Prayer in Church	Following a discussion on prayer at the recent Pastoral Council, there will be an evening of quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church on Tuesday, 1 st March at 7.00pm
Ash Wednesday	Is THIS COMING Wednesday 2 nd March. Fr Martin will celebrate two Masses for the Feast: 9.30am in St Matthew's and 11am in Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Sacramental Preparation for P3 Children	There will be an information evening for parents of children in primary 3 about the programme of preparation for Reconciliation later in June 2022, and for Confirmation and First Holy Communion in 2023. It is for children who will make these Sacraments in Our Lady of Mount Carmel and in St. Matthew's churches. The meeting will take place in St Joseph's Church THIS Thursday 3rd March at 7 pm. This is an important meeting to attend if you would like your child to begin this journey of faith and to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. This meeting is for Parents only.
Father Eddie	Will be 50 years a priest on 27 th February this year. As former PP, he is coming to celebrate Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel on Sunday, 6 th March (11am). Thanks to all those who contributed to the monetary gift for Fr. Eddie which he will receive on the 6 th March.
Golden Jubilee Cards	There are special Golden Jubilee cards available in both Church stalls for anyone who wishes to give Fr. Eddie an individual card.
St. Matthew's Parish Pastoral Council	This will take place in St Matthew's Hall on Sunday 6 th March at 7.00pm.
Do This in Memory of Me	The children who are preparing later this year for First Communion are invited to take part in the Special Children's Liturgy on Sunday 13 th March. Please bring along your Prayer Candle.
Lenten Retreat	The Ignatian Centre in Glasgow have prepared an online retreat for Lent. It begins on Ash Wednesday 2nd March 2022 and is based on the life of St. Ignatius Loyola. Each day of Lent there will be: an episode in the life of Ignatius; a reading from Scripture; a picture to ponder; music to inspire; and a short reflection. The retreat is available at: www.iscglasgow.co.uk/lent22.html
Holy Water	Holy water fonts may now be refilled for those who wish to bless themselves on entering and leaving the church. The Holy water fonts will be changed regularly.
Diocesan Priesthood	Are you thinking about being a Priest in 2022? The Diocese of Galloway is now inviting enquiries from those considering applying for seminary. For more information, please contact Fr. Martin Chambers at: martin.chambers@gallowaydiocese.org.uk
Day of Prayer for Those Who Have Experienced Abuse	Friday 4 th March 2022 is a Day of Prayer all those who have experienced abuse. Please pray for children, young people and vulnerable adults whose lives have been scarred by the abuse they have experienced at the hands of those whom they trusted. Pray also for all are engaged in the pursuit of peace, healing and reconciliation for the abused, the needy, the weak and the vulnerable. Pray that the work of the new Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency will be guided by the Holy Spirit to help us all to meet our responsibility to respect and safeguard the dignity of all.
Hospital Visiting	The hospital chaplains of Crosshouse and Ayr Hospitals will be pleased to visit patients on request. Chaplains are not automatically notified when a Catholic patient is admitted so self-referral is required. For general visiting in Crosshouse Hospital please contact Fr Stephen McGrattan at crosshousehospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or on 01563 521832. For general visiting in Ayr Hospital please contact Deacon Robert Mackie on ayrhospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or on 07703 751403. For the urgent or emergency assistance of a chaplain please ask the hospital staff to page the priest on call.
Kilmarnock Christian Aid Committee	is seeking new members to reinforce its efforts to aid the world's most needy people. If you can spare a few hours of your time to serve on the Christian Aid Committee or to volunteer at occasional fundraising events, please contact Helen Colman at tel. 01563 524259 or helenmcolman@gmail.com or Barbara Graham at tel. 01563-522108 or barbara.graham74@btinternet.com
Ecumenical Call to 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/



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