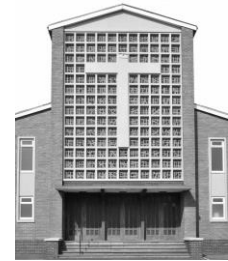




SUNDAY BULLETIN



ST MATTHEW'S and OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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Liturgy	Sunday 29th May, 2022 7th Sunday of Easter - C
Psalm Response	<i>The Lord is king, most high above all the earth</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy. 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](#)

God comes to women too Heather Farrell <http://www.womeninthescrptures.com/2020/04/god-comes-to-women.html>

Have you ever noticed how in the scriptures men are always going up into the mountains to commune with God? Yet in the scriptures we hardly ever hear of women going to the mountains, and we know why - right?

Because the women were too busy keeping life going; they couldn't abandon babies, meals, homes, fires, gardens, and a thousand responsibilities to make the climb into the mountains!

I was complaining about this to a friend the other day, saying that even as a modern woman I feel like I'm never "free" enough from my responsibilities, never in a quiet enough, or holy enough spot to have the type of communion I want with God.

Her response floored me, "That is why God comes to women. Men have to climb the mountain to meet God, but God comes to women where ever they are."

I have been pondering on her words for weeks and have searched my scriptures to see that what she said is true.

God does indeed come to women where they are, when they are doing their ordinary, everyday work.

He meets them at the wells where they draw water for their families, in their homes, in their kitchens, in their gardens.

He comes to them as they sit beside sickbeds, as they give birth, care for the elderly, and perform necessary mourning and burial rites.

Even the women at the empty tomb, who were the first to witness Christ's resurrection, were only there because they were doing the womanly chore of properly preparing Christ's body for burial. In this seemingly mundane and ordinary task these women found themselves face to face with divinity.

So, if - like me - you ever start to bemoan the fact that you don't have as much time to spend in the mountains with God as you would like. Remember, God comes to women. He knows where we are and the burdens we carry. He sees us, and if we open our eyes and our hearts we will see Him, even in the most ordinary places and in the most ordinary things.

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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 29th May	9.30am Mass from St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass from Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>John</i> 17:20-26
Monday 30th May	9.30 Rosary at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass from St. Matthew's	<i>John</i> 16:29-33
Tuesday 31st May	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass from Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 1:39-56
Wednesday 1st June	10.00am Mass at St. Joseph's	Rosary after Mass	<i>John</i> 17:11-19
Thursday 2nd June	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass from St. Matthew's	<i>John</i> 17:20-26
Friday 3rd June	9.30 Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass from Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>John</i> 21:15-19
Saturday 4th June	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass from St. Matthew's	<i>John</i> 21:20-25
Sunday 5th June	9.30am Mass from St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass from Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>John</i> 20:19-23

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:

May all our departed rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Tommy Thomson,

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, May Hollywood, Frances O'Neill, Helen McClure, James Hughes, Max McLean and Peter Herral.

(Please alert the Parish co-ordinator of any changes)

St. Matthew's Community Box

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Liturgy Ministry Rota for Solemnity of Pentecost - C

<i>Acts</i> 2:1-11	<i>Psalm</i> 103	<i>1 Corinthians</i> 12:3-7.12-13	<i>John</i> 20:19-23
Venue	Readers		Ministers
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	F McCann A Starrs		G Rannochoan
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Feasts This Week	Sun 29 th – 7 th Sunday of Easter Year C; Tue 31 st – St Justin; Fri 3 rd – St Charles Lwanga & Companions; Sun 5 th – Solemnity of Pentecost
St. Matthew's Community Box	In our community Ukrainian refugees are in need of basic household items such as duvets, towels, pots and pans and much more. Each is asking for our help and so TODAY Sunday 29 th May, there is an opportunity to donate either in kind or through the Community Box, in the hope that we might alleviate their situation, even if just a little.
Our Lady, Queen of Peace	May is the month dedicated to prayers through Our Lady. We are invited to dedicate our prayers for <u>Peace in Ukraine</u> through Our Lady, Queen of Peace.
First Communions	We are excited to note that some of the children of our Parishes will be making their First Communion during Sunday Mass: Sun 29 th May – in St Matthew's & Our Lady of Mount Carmel.
Communications Sunday	TODAY, Sunday 29 th May, there will be a Special Collection for the work of the Church in the field of communications. Please be generous.
Freespace	This faith sharing group will meet in St Matthew's on Tuesday, 31 st May at 7.30pm. All welcome,
Baptism Preparation Course	Any parent who wishes to have their child baptised should come along to this short course with Fr. Martin on Thursday, 2 nd June at 7pm in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church.
First Reconciliation	The P3 children of St Joseph's, St. Matthew's & Our Lady of Mount Carmel will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Tuesday, 7 th June at 7pm in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church.
St. Matthew's Pastoral Council	Parishioners are invited to meet and discuss Parish matters on Thursday, 9 th June at 7pm in the Hall.
St. Joseph's Church 175 th Anniversary	You are invited to a MASS OF THANKSGIVING to celebrate the 175 th anniversary of the Opening of the Church on 13 th June 1847. The Anniversary Mass will take place in St. Joseph's on 13 th June 2022 at 7pm. All are welcome.
Mount Carmel Primary Playground Clean-up	The new date for the Playground clean-up is 16 th June from 3 pm to 5 pm. All are welcome.
Galloway Diocese Pilgrimage to Carfin	In this year when there is no Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, you are invited to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Carfin Grotto on Sunday, 12 th June from 3-6.30pm. This includes the 4pm for Mass with Anointing of the Sick.
Carfin Pilgrimage Bus	A 49 seat bus has been organised for the Kilmarnock parishes to travel to Carfin on Sunday 12 th June. It will leave from St Matthew's Church at 1.45 pm and will return to Kilmarnock around 7.30pm. The cost of this will be £10 per head. To book your seat please email Suzy Hollywood on GLHPresident@aol.com .
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
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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