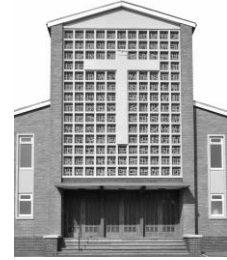




SUNDAY BULLETIN



ST MATTHEW'S and OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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Liturgy	Sunday 28th August, 2022 22nd Sunday of the Year - C
Psalm Response	<i>In your goodness, O God, you prepared a home for the poor.</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. 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](#)

Pope Francis on 1 May 2013, the Feast of St Joseph the Worker

"Work, honest work, gives us dignity."

Pope Francis called for an end to slave labour and human trafficking as well as greater efforts to create dignified work for more people.

The problem of unemployment is *"very often caused by a purely economic view of society, which seeks self-centered profit, outside the bounds of social justice,"* he said, during his weekly general audience.

"I wish to extend an invitation to everyone to greater solidarity and to encourage those in public office to spare no effort to give new impetus to employment," he said. *"This means caring for the dignity of the person."*

Unemployment *"is a burden on our conscience"* because when society is organized in such a way that it cannot offer people an opportunity to work, *"there is something wrong with that society: It is not right!"*

"It goes against God himself, who wanted our dignity to begin with (work)."

"Power, money, culture do not give us dignity," he said. *"Work, honest work, gives us dignity."*

However, he said, *"today many social, political and economic systems have chosen to exploit the human person"* in the workplace, by *"not paying a just (wage), not offering work, focusing solely on the balance sheets, the company's balance sheets, only looking at how much I can profit. This goes against God!"*

A society that cannot offer a person the possibility of work is a society that *"has stripped this person of dignity,"* he said.

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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 28th August	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew</i> 16:21-27
Monday 29th August	9.30am Rosary at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.30 Funeral Service at OLMC - David Murray RIP
Tuesday 30th August	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Eucharistic Service at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 4:31-37
Wednesday 31st August	10.00am funeral Mass at St. Matthew's May Boland RIP		<i>Luke</i> 4:38-44
Thursday 1st September	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00 am Eucharistic Service at St. Matthew's	<i>Luke</i> 5:1-11
Friday 2nd September	9.30am Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Eucharistic Service at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 5:33-39
Saturday 3rd September	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Eucharistic Service at St. Matthew's	6.00pm Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's
Sunday 4th September	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 14:25-33

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

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Please remember the following in your prayers:

Recently Deceased: *May Boland and David Murray*
May all our departed rest in peace.

Anniversaries: *Jim McDonald*

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, 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 The 23rd Sunday of the Year - C

<i>Wisdom</i> 9:13-18	<i>Psalm</i> 89	<i>Philemon</i> 9-10,12-17	<i>Luke</i> 14:25-33
Venue	Readers		Ministers
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	I Roy M Clark		F McCann
St. Matthew's	Gerry Coyle Cherry Stacey Kenny Ainsworth		Maureen Thomson Stephen Duff

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Feasts This Week	Sun 28th – 22nd Sunday of Year C; Mon 29th – Passion of St John the Baptist; Sat 3rd – St Gregory the Great; Sun 4th – 23rd Sunday of Year C.
Fr. Martin	While Fr. Martin is in Italy for a Wedding (30th Aug-7th Sept), please contact Fr. Stephen McGrattan in case of emergency – 01563 521832
Children's Initiation	The Parents of Children who are preparing for Confirmation & First Communion in 2023 are invited to a Meeting on Tuesday, 13th September at 7pm in St. Joseph's Church.
Diocesan Education Mass	The Diocesan Education Mass will be celebrated in St Margaret's Cathedral, John Street, Ayr on Wednesday 14th September at 7.00 pm. All staff who teach and work in our schools are warmly invited, including those who have retired. After Mass, there will be a light buffet in the hall and an opportunity to socialise.
OLMC Parish Pastoral Council	This will take place on Tuesday, 20th September at 7pm. All welcome!
St. Matthew's Parish Pastoral Council	This will take place on Thursday, 22nd September at 7pm. All welcome!
Diocesan Day at Carfin	While the Relics of St Bernadette are at Carfin Grotto there are two dates concerning the Diocese of Galloway: Sunday, 25th September which is the National Pilgrimage for Scotland; and Tuesday 27th September which is our Diocesan day. Please see the posters in the porch for details of the pilgrimage.
National Safeguarding Conference	This will take place at the University of Glasgow Innovation Centre, 99 George Street, Glasgow on Saturday, 1st October from 10am-4.30pm. Keynote speakers include Fr. Hans Zollner (Gregorian University, Rome) and Lady Rae (Chair of the Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Agency. For details and to book, go to: https://bit.ly/39dsFPq
Adult Education Talks	The Catholic Church in Kilmarnock is arranging the following talks which will both take place in St. Matthew's Hall at 7pm: Thursday, 6th October - VISION OF THE CHURCH FROM VATICAN II ONWARDS (Fr. Martin Chambers); Thursday, 13th October – OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE MASS & POPE FRANCIS LETTER ON EUCHARIST (Fr. Stephen McGrattan). You are invited to take part in both these talks!
St. Matthew's Entrances	Roller Shutters will soon be installed at the front porch and back porch of St. Matthew's Church. In the weeks surrounding the installation, the handrail will have to be taken down. After the installation, new handrails will be installed.
Galloway Lourdes Helpers 2023	Have you always wanted to come to Lourdes and volunteer? Our preparations have now begun for our long-awaited pilgrimage, Galloway Lourdes Hospitalite are holding their first sign-up session for ADULT volunteers who are able to work with our assisted pilgrims in Lourdes, pilgrimage dates are Monday 3rd July – Monday 10th July 2023. We are looking for doctors, nurses and medical assistants; also required are general male and female helpers. If you'd like to be part of this wonderful experience, please join us for our first volunteer sign up session to find out more on Sunday 4th September, 2-3pm at St Margaret's Cathedral Hall, Ayr. If you can't make it along why not register your interest by contacting Suzy Hollywood (President) for future sign-up dates - glhpresident@aol.com
Ecuador Trust 200 Club	This new 200 Club is being set up to support the people of Ecuador particularly through the post-pandemic period. This 200 Club is an online club and each number taken out is £5 per month. The monthly draw will take place live online in the first week of each month and the prize each month is £150. To register please send an email to: theecuadortrust200club@hotmail.com . You can also register by posting a request message on the Ecuador Trust Facebook page. Good luck to all who take part!
OLMC SSVF Conference	We have continued to help and support families throughout the Covid-19 lockdowns but due to our church being closed and the reduced number of parishioners attending mass when we re-opened our funds have been greatly reduced. Last Christmas we helped 75 families (124 children) with Food Vouchers and a small gift for each child. Also, Christmas and mass intention cards and a small parcel for some of our parishioners. Additionally, we were asked for help from both schools in our community, to supply school bags and personal items for some children to enable them to feel the same as their classmates. The cost of all this was £3000. This year we anticipate the need will be even greater so we would be grateful if you can assist our Christmas fundraising appeal. Any contributions you can make will be greatly appreciated. Thank you - https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ssvf-our-lady-of-mount-carmel
Special Collection	On Sunday, 11th September the second collection at mass will be for the Retired Priests Fund. Please be generous.
St. Matthew's Meet & Eat	There has been some discussion around the re-introduction of the monthly three course cooked lunch or perhaps a less formal monthly mid-week open door drop in "Meet & Eat" session, where only soup and sandwiches would be served. Either of these options can only move forward if there is enough volunteer support from the community to help, volunteers from both St Matthews and OLMC are most welcome. If you feel that you might be interested in volunteering for either of the above and want more detail on the commitment required, please contact Katrina Mason on 07930 931163 or via katrinamason97@btinternet.com for more information. Alternatively add your name to the sheet at the back of the Church with your phone number and you'll we'll contact you.
Becoming A Catholic?	DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO IS THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?: If there is anyone you know who is asking questions about the Catholic faith or wishes to become a Catholic, please ask them to speak to Fr. Martin either by phone 01563 533587 or by email at martin.chambers@gallowaydiocese.org.uk
New Altar Servers	Can those girls and boys who want to become Altar Servers please give your name and details to Fr. Martin? He will then be able to organise a few practice sessions.
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
Hospital Chaplaincy	The hospital chaplains of Crosshouse and Ayr Hospitals are pleased to visit patients on request. For general visiting in Crosshouse Hospital please contact Fr Stephen McGrattan at stephenmcgrattan@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or on 01563 521832. For general visiting in Ayr Hospital please contact Fr Benjamin Mkeri at benjamin.mkeri@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or on 01655 882145. For the urgent or emergency assistance of a chaplain please ask the hospital staff to page the priest.
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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