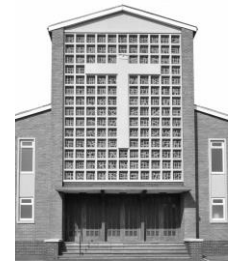




SUNDAY BULLETIN



ST MATTHEW'S and OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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Liturgy	Sunday 25th June, 2023 12th Sunday of the Year - A
Psalm Response	<i>In your great love, answer me, O God.</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. 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](#)

Cultivating Heart Attention

Most ancient teachers in all religions did not associate heart with sentiment or emotionality as we do. For them, heart was the centering, integrating and grounding place of both the independent head and the rebellious addictive body.

Robert Sardello, in his inspired book, "Silence" offers many simple practices for attending to the heart, which help us remember True self and return to full presence and authentic life. He teaches that the easiest way to enter the heart is through silence. We enter the silence by going to a quiet place and sitting, eyes closed, until we feel the embrace of silence, and, frankly, it silences us. Yielding we may experience further depth. With practice we may, over time, find our way into heart presence even in the midst of great turbulence. The practice of silence is ongoing and never perfectly mastered for she is endless. Every time we lose our inner silence, it is not failure but an opportunity to re-choose it.

When we have fully entered the silence, we can place our attention at the centre of the heart: know from your heart NOT about your heart. Place your attention within. Observe, notice, sense the qualities of your heart space, a feeling of both intimate infinity and infinite intimacy. Warmth. You within the heart rather than the heart inside you. You can let this warmth resonate through your body until perfect calm comes. Feel the inherent, always present blessing return again and again

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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 25th June	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew 10:26-33</i>	
Monday 26th June	9.30am Rosary at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>Matthew 7:1-5</i>	
Tuesday 27th June	9.30am Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew 7:26.12-14</i>	
Wednesday 28th June	10.00am Mass at St. Joseph's	10.30am Rosary at St. Joseph's	<i>Matthew 7:15-20</i>	
Thursday 29th June	Solemnity of Saint Peter & Saint Paul	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew 16:13-19</i>
Friday 30th June	9.30am Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew 8:1-4</i>	
Saturday 1st July	NO Morning Mass	6.00pm Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's	<i>Matthew 8:5-17</i>	
Sunday 2nd July	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Matthew 10:37-42</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

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Recently Deceased: *Bishop Maurice Taylor*
May all our departed rest in peace.

Anniversaries: *William & Barbara McCann and Alice Boyle*

People who are ill: *Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, Mary Gibson, Michelle Dunne, Leona McAllister, Mary Hasson, Donald Gibon, Frank Mullen, Helen O'Donnell., Mary McLaughlin, May Hollywood, Frances O'Neill, Helen McClure, James Hughes, Max McLean, Peter Herral, Terry Bailey, Mary Rea, Stuart Mason Carolanne Gallagher and Margaret Paton.*

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

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Liturgy Ministry Rota for 13th Sunday of the Year - A

<i>2 Kings 4:8-11.14-16</i>	<i>Psalm 88</i>	<i>Romans 6:3-4.8-11</i>	<i>Matthew 10:37-42</i>
Venue	Readers	Ministers	
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	D Shearer C Lamberth	M Smith M McGuire M Urquhart	
St. Matthew's	Madaline Musilli Michael Thomson Susan Faulds	Philip Brown Maureen Thomson Fred Stacey Cherry Stacey Ann Gillion	

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NOTICES

Feasts This Week	Sun 25 th – 12 th Sunday of Year A; Wed 28 th – St Irenaeus; Thursday – Sts Peter & Paul; Sun 2 nd – 13 th Sunday of Year A.
Freespace	This faith sharing prayer group is open to all parishioners and will meet on Tuesday, 27 th June at 7.30pm in St. Matthew's House.
Women's Group	This prayer & faith sharing group will meet in St Matthew's Hall on Wednesday, 28 th June at 2pm. All are welcome.
Special Collection	Next Sunday, 2 nd July, the second collection will be for the 'Peter's Pence'. This is the Pope's charity which is used for charitable causes throughout the world nominated by the Pope and for Vatican administration costs.
Pilgrimage to Scalán at the Braes of Glenlivet, 2nd July	<p>At the Reformation, the Penal Laws were passed which prohibited the Mass being celebrated in Scotland, priests were forbidden to be in our country at all, and clearly, preparing people for the priesthood would also be against the law. Seminaries had to be set up abroad in territories. However, various seminaries were established in Scotland and one was set up at Scalán on the Braes of Glenlivet. It ran from 1716 until 1799. It remains a place of pilgrimage and prayer and each year there is a National Pilgrimage.</p> <p>The pilgrimage this year take place on Sunday 2nd July. A minibus will leave from St Joseph's Church at 10.00 am, stopping en-route to eat a packed lunch. We will then join the celebration of the annual Scalán Mass at 4.00 pm (Note: there is approximately a 10-minute walk from the car park to the Mass). The minibus will then return to Kilmarnock, stopping en-route for fish and chips (probably in Pitlochry), and arriving at St Joseph's at approximately 10.00pm. The cost per person for the bus is £15. Please bring a packed lunch. To sign up, please contact Fr. Stephen: 01563 521832 or stephen.mcgrattan@gallowaydiocese.org.uk</p>
Sea Sunday – 9th July	Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health. Sea Sunday is Sunday 9th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate , or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.
Fr. Jim Hayes Appointed	Fr. Jim Hayes has been appointed as the new Parish Priest of St. Matthew's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Kilmarnock. He will be moving in on Friday, 1st September. The Spiritan Fathers have agreed to send two new priests to the Diocese of Galloway. They will replace Father Jim in Dumfries and will become Parish Priest and Assistant Priest at St Teresa's Dumfries, Holy Trinity, Lockerbie and St Luke's Moffat. There will, therefore, be a transition period between Fr. Martin leaving and Fr. Jim taking up residence in Kilmarnock. During that transition period of July and August, Fr. Stan Chukwube will be living in St. Matthew's and will be celebrating weekday and weekend Masses. During the months of July and August Fr. Martin will celebrate any Funerals and Baptisms here in St. Matthew's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel and he will also be back once a week to settle any cheques/financial matters etc till Fr. Jim takes over.
Lourdes Intentions	Parishioners from Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Matthew's are travelling to Lourdes with the Diocesan pilgrimage in July. If you have any intentions you'd like to be placed at the Grotto, please take forms and envelopes provided to complete and leave them in the basket in the porch. The baskets will be emptied following Mass on, Sunday 2nd July . Please do not place any cash within the envelopes as they are burned without being opened.
A Chaired Taste Summer Concert	'Voices and Violins': A performance by A Chaired Taste and Ayrshire Fiddle Orchestra will be held in the Grand Hall, Kilmarnock on Thursday 29 th June at 7.30pm (doors open at 6.45pm). Cost per ticket is £8.00 and can be purchased from Agnes Clark, Josephine McCrossan or Sarah Hall
St Matthew's Food Bank	The following essential items are very low in supply. Can parishioners please help? These items are urgently needed for the foodbank: Beans, Spaghetti, Pasta. Meat, Porridge Sachets, Fruit, Custard/Rice, Soup, Noodles and Tomatoes
Father Martin Writes	<i>I am very sorry to have given you the news last Sunday that I will be leaving as your Parish Priest at the end of the month. Over these last 14 years we have had some great, fun times together. We have also stood together in faith through tough moments. For all of that I say thanks to God. When I was asked to move, I began to realise that, having encouraged you all to say 'yes' to God over many years, I should also begin – myself – to say 'yes' to God. And so, I agreed to step out in faith to take the next challenges that await in Troon confident that the God who gave us such great times in these years will not abandon neither you nor me and will continue to bless us for the years ahead. God bless us all. Martin</i>
<p>SOME PEOPLE COME INTO YOUR LIFE AS BLESSINGS; OTHERS COME INTO YOUR LIFE AS LESSONS</p>	



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