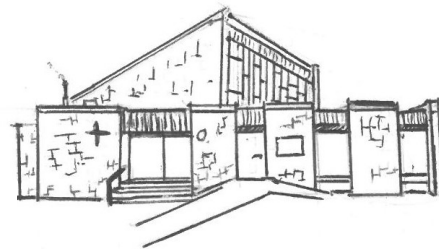


# SUNDAY BULLETIN



Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2023

## OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL & ST MATTHEW'S

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	Liturgy	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Year - A
	Sunday Masses	9.30am at St Matthew's 11.30am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel
	Psalm 22 Response	<i>The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.</i>
	Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!</i>

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](#)

## Service Schedule for the Forthcoming Week

<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b>	9.30am Mass at <b>St. Matthew's</b> Intention: Seamus Moloney (Ann).	11.30am Mass at <b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b> Intention: Briege Colville (Happy 82nd Birthday).	<i>Matthew 25:31-46</i>	
<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Our Parish Office is closed on Mondays.	10.00 Mass at <b>St. Joseph's</b>	<i>Luke 21:1-4</i>	
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b>	9.30am Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at <b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b>	10.00am Mass at <b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel.</b> <b>Intention: Jean McAvoy (RecDec).</b>	<i>Luke 21:5-11</i>	
<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November</b>	10.00am Mass at <b>St Matthew's</b>	Intention: Therese & Peter Dougan (Ann's)	<i>Luke 21:12-19</i>	
<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b>	9.30am Rosary at <b>St Matthew's</b>	10.00am Mass at <b>St Matthew's.</b> Intention: Craig Davidson (RecDec).	<i>Matthew 4:18-22</i>	
<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b>	FEAST OF ST ANDREW	1.40pm St Andrew's Primary School Feast Day Mass in St Matthew's	<i>Matthew 4:18-22</i>	
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	9.30am Rosary at <b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b>	10.00am Mass at <b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b> Intention: John McKenna (RecDec)	<i>Luke 21:29-33</i>	
<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	9.30am Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at <b>St Matthew's</b>	10.00am Mass at <b>St. Matthew's</b> Intention: Tam Connell (Ann)	6.00pm Vigil Mass at <b>St. Joseph's</b>	<i>Luke 21:34-36</i>
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</b>	9.30am Mass at <b>St. Matthew's</b> Intention: May Brown (Ann)	11.30am Mass at <b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b> Intention: Rose Allerdyce (RecDec)	<i>Mark 13: 33-37</i>	

*Please remember the following in your prayers:*

**We remember all those on the Altar Lists of the Dead in this month of Remembrance.**

**Recently Deceased:** Jean McAvoy, Craig Davidson, John McKenna, Rose Allerdyce, John Quigley, Richard Bryden and all victims of war and violence.

**Anniversaries:** Seamus Moloney, Therese & Peter Dougan, Tam Connell, May Brown.

**May all our departed loved ones rest in peace.**

**People who are ill:** Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, 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, Mary Rea, Stuart Mason Carolanne Gallagher, Charlie Smith, Gerda Devlin and Margaret Gay.

*(Please let us know if any circumstances change).*


## REFLECTION

Catholic Education Week takes place each year from the Feast of St Margaret of Scotland until the Feast of St Andrew. The purpose of Catholic Education Week is to highlight the significance of education, not only for young people but for society as a whole. Students, parents, teachers and others are asked to reflect on their own roles in the education process – at home, in school, in the local parish and in other educational settings. The theme for this year's event from Pope Francis is: "Pilgrims of Faith".

"The beauty of the Christian faith lies not in its theological explanations but in the lives of people who dedicate themselves to prayer, charity and sharing the Gospel..Be discoverers of beauty, seekers of the treasures of faith...because faith cannot remain a memory of the past, something 'museum-like.' No, it always lives again in the joy of the Gospel, in the community made up of people, in the assembly of those who experience mercy and recognize themselves as brothers and sisters loved by God by grace... Always remember: the witness of life communicates the beauty of faith,"

*Pope Francis*

## SACRAMENTS

<b>Marriage</b>	By arrangement with Fr. Jim. The Diocese of Galloway requires that couples give a minimum of six months' notice of their intention to marry
<b>Baptism</b>	By arrangement with Fr. Jim.
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Tuesdays and Saturdays during Exposition and at any other time on request at suitable times.
	Community Support. A Donation's box is located at the Church entrance. Thank you for your continuing generosity. 'Bags for Life' are always welcome.
	OLMC SSVP Conference. All donations are most welcome and needed. Please use the Donations Box as you leave the church. Email: olmc_ssvp@icloud.com

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS. With grateful thanks we acknowledge the following generosity

OLMC	1st: £264.22 and 2nd: £213.19.
ST MATTHEW'S	1st: £259.94 and 2nd: £185.98 with the Community Box: £32.61

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<b>ITEMS FOR THE SUNDAY BULLETIN:</b> Parish/Diocesan based info/news will be given priority. If room allows we will gladly include items from other organisations. Please Email the Parish Office on either: <a href="mailto:kilmarnock.olmc@gallowaydiocese.org.uk">kilmarnock.olmc@gallowaydiocese.org.uk</a> <b>OR</b> <a href="mailto:kilmarnock.stmatthew@gallowaydiocese.org.uk">kilmarnock.stmatthew@gallowaydiocese.org.uk</a>	

## Ministry Rota for Today. Year A

Scripture	Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17	Psalm 22	I Cor 15:20-26. 28	Matthew 25: 31-46
<b>St. Matthew's</b>	<b>Readers:</b> Maureen Bradley, Eric Allan, Dawn Bias. <b>Euch.Ministers:</b> Maureen Thompson (L), Fred Stacey (L), Stephen Duff (L), Clare Gordon (R), Maureen Walsh (R).			
<b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b>	<b>Readers:</b> Josephine McCrossan, Matt Connolly. <b>Euch.Ministers:</b> Linda Hefron, Suzy Hollywood, Graham Rannochoan.			

## Ministry Rota for 3rd December– The First Sunday of Advent. Year B

Scripture	Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1,3-8	Psalm 79	I Corinthians 1:3-9	Mark 13: 33-37
<b>St. Matthew's</b>	<b>Readers:</b> Anne Gillion, Fred Stacey and Maureen Walsh <b>Euch.Ministers:</b> Maureen Bradley (L), Catherine Brown (L), Martin Dempster (L), Ann Marie Gilmour (R), Sr Mabel (R).			
<b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b>	<b>Readers:</b> Collette Lamberth and Donna Shearer <b>Euch.Ministers:</b> Mies Murphy, Brian Murphy and Marie Wilkie			

# NOTICES

Catholic Education Week	Today there will be the annual special collection for the work of the Scottish Catholic Education Service (SCES) in both parishes as part of the Catholic Education Week.
First Communion Registration	Parents of children in p.4 should register with the parish to begin their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Communion. Please contact Fr Jim.
St Joseph's Academy Christmas Raffle	Orla and Olivia are back today after Masses with tickets for this wonderful raffle with wonderful prizes all to benefit families in our own area associated with the school. Thanks for your support.
Fabric & Finance Committee Members	More volunteers from OLMC will get this group up and running would be appreciated. Chat, call or email Fr Jim.
Youth Hub	All our young people in Secondary School are invited to join us for the Youth Hub meetings. The next takes place in St Matthew's Hall on Thursday-7th December from 6.30pm till 8.30pm-it is free!
Diocesan Youth Evening	The diocesan Youth Office Ministry team invite all our young people from Secondary school age and above to join them to celebrate the Universal World Youth Sunday today (26th) in St Matthew's Church and Hall. It begins with Mass at 6pm and ends at 8.30pm. There is no charge-all young people are welcome.
Sick/Housebound	Could those parishioners who visit the sick or housebound with holy communion please pick up a wee form from the church porch to let Fr Jim know who they are and whom they visit. Thank you.
SCIAF Water for a Village	Clean water is a most basic need, but it is so scarce amongst some of the poorest people in the world. By donating to SCIAF's "Water for a Village" campaign this Christmas you will bring fresh water to villages and towns where it is most needed by enabling SCIAF and its' partners to sink a well or build irrigation systems to sustain life. To make a donation contact SCIAF at: 7 West Nile Street, Glasgow. G1 2PR or telephone: 0141 354 5555 or go online: <a href="http://sciaf.org.uk/waterforavillage">sciaf.org.uk/waterforavillage</a> . See the SCIAF Christmas Real Gifts catalogue at <a href="http://sciaf.org.uk/realgifts">sciaf.org.uk/realgifts</a> .
Christmas Card Delivery	The 91st Ayrshire (St Joseph's) Scout Group will be delivering Christmas cards within the Kilmarnock town area, Hurlford and Crookedholm only. Please ensure all cards are correctly and fully addressed to ensure delivery. The cost is 40p per card. Collection points are Beaver, Cub and Scout gatherings on 6th and 7th December; then at all Masses at St Joseph's, Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Matthew's Churches on 9th and 10th December. Deliveries will take place over the weekend of 16th/17th December. This fundraising effort is very important for the success of our Scout Group throughout the year. Thank you for your support.
Mount Carmel Primary School	The Primary School is hosting a Christmas Fayre on Friday 1st December in the school from 6.30pm in the evening, £3 entry at the door. Thanks to everyone for their great support-see you all on the 1st.
Children's Liturgy Christmas prep	Our CL teams will work with the children over Advent to prepare their contribution to our Christmas Eve Masses. At OLMC the children are asked to volunteer to the leaders and wait behind after Mass next Sunday (3rd) to practice for about 20 minutes.
St Matthew's Foodbank	Thank you for all your help in helping the needy in our community. Tins of: Soup, Beans, Spaghetti, Potatoes, Custard and Rice, Fruit and Cold Meat. Packets of: Pasta and Rice are always needed. If you can spare a couple of hours on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 15.30 hrs please come along to St Matthews and help with packing and distribution of food supplies. In need of support from the Foodbank? Telephone 01563 574000 to book an appointment (call before 3pm).
Hillhouse Christmas Campaign	Local charity, "Hillhouse", are once again running it's "The Magic of Christmas" campaign whereby they give out an age-appropriate new toy and a pair of PJ's to each child they assist. They are looking for donations of new PJ's for boys and girls aged 0-16. They can be left (unwrapped please) in the donation box in our Church porch. Tel: 01563 523362 for more info.
St Matthew's Hall Christmas Clean-Up	Around this time of year a few volunteers are asked for to work with the Hall Co-Ordinator, Margaret (Merrick), to prepare the Hall for the Christmas season-mainly to clean the windows, blinds etc. If you can help please let Margaret know on 07765715798 or Email: <a href="mailto:margaret.merrick@btinternet.com">margaret.merrick@btinternet.com</a>
SPRED	The diocesan group celebrate Mass at 10am on Sunday 3rd December in Our Lady & St Meddan's, Troon-the 1st Sunday of Advent. They invite you to St Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr for their evening Advent service on Monday 11th December at 7pm and do join them at Ayr Central Shopping Centre for Carol Singing from 11am-1pm. All welcome.
Advent/Christmas Dates to help you plan	06, 13 and 20 December 7pm Mass followed by Adoration till 8pm in OLMC. 17 December: 4.30pm-6.30pm Advent Quiet Time in OLMC 17 December: 7pm Joint service of Carols by Candlelight in OLMC 24 December: 5pm Vigil Mass of Christmas in St Matthew's 24 December: 7pm Vigil Mass of Christmas in OLMC 25 December: 10am Christmas Day Mass in St Matthew's 01 January 2024: 10am Mass at OLMC 01 January 2024: 12 noon Mass at St Matthew's





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