



SUNDAY BULLETIN

Sunday 29th October 2023



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL & ST MATTHEW'S

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Liturgy	30th Sunday of the Year - A
Psalm Response	<i>I love you, Lord, my strength</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 11.30am 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](#)

Service Schedule for the Forthcoming Week

Sunday 29th October	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's . Intention: Tom Breslin (RecDec)	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel . Intention: John McKenna (RecDec)	<i>Matthew 22:34-40</i>
Monday 30th October	10.00 Mass at St. Joseph's	10.30am Rosary at St. Joseph's	<i>Luke 13:10-17</i>
Tuesday 31st October	9.30am Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel . Intention: Thomas Rafferty (RecDec)	<i>Luke 13:18-21</i>
Wednesday All Saints HOLY DAY 1st November	9.30am Mass at St Matthew's .	Intention: Joe Murtagh (1 st Ann)	<i>Matthew 5:1-12</i>
	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Intention: For the parish	
Thursday 2nd November	9.30am Rosary at St Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St Matthew's . Intention: Ian Woods (RecDec)	<i>Matthew 11:25-30</i>
Friday 3rd November	9.30am Short Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel followed by 10am Mass.	Prepared and led by the children and staff of Mount Carmel Primary School.	<i>Luke 14:1-6</i>
Saturday 4th November	9.30am Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: Ian Woods (RecDec)	<i>Luke 14:1.7-11</i>
		6.00pm Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's	
Sunday 5th November	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: For the Parish	11.30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: May McClusky (17 th Ann).	<i>Matthew 23:1-12</i>

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ITEMS FOR THE SUNDAY BULLETIN:

(OLMC): Email the Parish Office at kilmarnock.olmc@gallowaydiocese.org.uk

(St. Matthew's): Maureen Bradley, 07761695774 (mrsmobradley@gmail.com)

Mature Christianity is an invitation to share in the personal life of God, a dynamic of generated love forever continued in space and time through God's creatures.

Thus, God's self-knowledge includes knowledge of us and God's self-love includes love of us.

They are the same knowing, the same loving and the same freedom.....

God and the human person must know (and can know) one another centre to centre, subject to subject - and never subject to object. This is perhaps the clearest way to describe God's unconditional acceptance of us, forgiveness of our mistakes and mercy towards us in all circumstances. We are never an object to God. God cannot but love God's image in us.....

So God is not first of all a 'being' that loftily decides to love good people and punish bad people; instead, Absolute Love stands revealed as the very name and shape of Being Itself. Love constitutes the very nature of being, as opposed to a seemingly demanding and whimsical being occasionally deciding to love or not to love.....
R. Rohr

SACRAMENTS

Marriage	By arrangement with Fr. Jim. The Diocese of Galloway requires that couples give a minimum of six months' notice of their intention to marry
Baptism	By arrangement with Fr. Jim.
Reconciliation	Tuesdays and Saturdays during Exposition and at any other time on request at suitable times.

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Recently Deceased:
May all our departed rest in peace.

Anniversaries:

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, Margaret Paton, Charlie Smith and Margaret Gay. (Please alert us of any changes)

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.
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**Liturgy Ministry Rota for
31st Sunday of the Year - A**

<i>Malachi</i> 1:14-2:2.8-10	<i>Psalms</i> 17	<i>Thessalonians</i> 2:7-9.13	<i>Matthew</i> 23:1-12
Venue	Readers		Ministers
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Agnes Starrs Irene Roy		John Hefron Josephine McCrossan Sr Mabel
St. Matthew's	Catherine Brown Brian Gilhooley Orla Duff		Maureen Thomson (L) Martin Dempster (L) Cherry Stacey (L) Sr Juliet (R) Anne Gillion (R)

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Our Lady of Mount Carmel			
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St. Matthew's			
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Missio: £435.50			

NOTICES

Change of Mass Time	One of the most important changes to come from our Gatherings was the change of Sunday mass time at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. With effect from next Sunday (5th November) Mass will now be at 11.30am. I know this decision will not please everyone but there was complete agreement that at least a 2hour slot between the start of each service was the correct thing to do. Fr Jim wishes to acknowledge the sacrifice this will cause to the routine at Our Lady of Mount Carmel but thanks everyone for their cooperation and understanding.
First Communion Rite of Enrolment	We welcome the boys and girls of this year's First Communion group and their families as they celebrate their Enrolment with the parish community as young people preparing for the Sacraments at our Sunday morning Masses.
Holy Day of Obligation WEDNESDAY	This coming Wednesday is the 1 st November, the Solemnity of All Saints and is a holy day of obligation for us all. Masses here in our parishes are at 9.30am in St Matthew's and 11am in OLMC.
Mission Sunday Collections	Thank you so much for a very generous response to last week's annual Mission Sunday appeal. St Matthew's raising £435.50 and OLMC £506.48. It will be sent onto Missio Scotland with your very good wishes.
OLMC Sunday Ministry Rota	Those involved in our Sunday Ministries of Word and Sacrament at OLMC can pick up the new rota for November and December in the church porch today. Fr Jim would like to hear from one of the Ministers to volunteer to compile future rota's-chat to, email or call him.
October Mission Talks	This year's month of October Mission Talks have come to an end! We have had a wonderful season of special guests: Fr Dixie Taylor, Archbishop Cushley, Marianne Lucchessi and Lizzie Rea. All spoke with great knowledge of their subject and shared their insights generously and engagingly with us all. The attendance was wonderful, and I thank everyone for such great support.
Advent Retreat	A retreat organised and hosted by one of our October Guest speakers, Marianne Lucchesi, will take place at Gowanbank Centre, Darvel from Friday 8 th December till Sunday 10 th December. It is self-catering to keep the costs down so that a non-residential participant can pay £60 and a residential one only £90 (some room sharing). Contact Marianne for more info/to book on: marianne.lucchesi@iscglasgow.co.uk
Fabric & Finance Committee Members	Each parish community wishes to establish this important group of women and men who come from a practical/financial background who can offer practical stewardship of the finances and fabric of our communities. Working with Fr Jim we are looking for 4 or 5 from each parish to volunteer. Chat, call or email Fr Jim. Thanks to those who have already done so.
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.
St. Sophia's Beetle Drive	The fund-raising fairies would like to invite everyone along to an evening of fun and frivolity to enjoy our annual Beetle Drive! It went so well last year we thought we'd do it all over again! When: Friday 17 November. Where: St Sophia's church hall. Time: 7.00pm. Cost: £3 per adult, under 16 £1 each. For tickets, please contact Hannah on 07971922631. We look forward to welcoming everyone.
Fellowship of Kilmarnock Churches	Please join this ecumenical gathering at Winton Place Church, Dundonald Road this afternoon (Sunday 29 th) at 3pm. Guest speaker is from the Christian aviation charity: Mission Aviation Fellowship. All are welcome.
Afternoon Tea for Breast Cancer Research OLMC	Tickets for the afternoon tea will be on sale after Mass today at £5.00 each. This will include a free raffle and lots of lovely goodies to eat including home baking. Thank you for your support.
St Vincent De Paul Afternoon Tea	Following the success of the events in February and March, the SSVP will be hosting another two afternoon teas in the Norbert Room. The dates to choose from are 11th and 25th November from 1pm until 4pm and anyone over 60 is invited to attend. Please indicate preferred date by adding your name to the list in the Norbert Room, by speaking to one of the SSVP members or by email to OLMC_SSVP@icloud.com . We look forward to seeing you there.
Mount Carmel Primary Christmas Fayre	Mount Carmel Primary School is hosting a Christmas Fayre on Friday 1 st December. If you, or anyone you know, wish to have a stall then please email Marion Smith on mcparentcouncil@gmail.com or speak with her after Mass
St Matthew's Foodbank	Tins of: Soup, Beans, Spaghetti, Potatoes, Custard and Rice, Fruit and Cold Meat. Packets of: Pasta and Rice are always needed. Thank you for all your help in helping the needy in our community. 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



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