

SUNDAY BULLETIN

Sunday 21st January, 2024



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL & ST MATTHEW'S

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| Liturgy | Third Sunday of the Year (B) |
| Sunday Masses | 9.30am at St Matthew's, Grassyards Road 11.30am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Kirkton Road |
| Psalm Response: | <i>Lord, make me know your ways.</i> |
| Gospel Acclamation | Alleluia! The kingdom of God is close at hand; believe the Good News. Alleluia! |

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.

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Service Schedule for the Forthcoming Week

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| Sunday 21st January | 9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: Dymphna Brennan (RecDec) | 11.30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: Fr Tommy McNulty O.Praem (RecDec), Sarah Lobban (2nd Ann), Carolyn Harper (5th Ann) and James McClung (Ann). | Mark 1:14-20 |
| Monday 22nd January | The Parish Office is closed on Mondays. | 10am Mass at St Joseph's. | Mark 3:22-30 |
| Tuesday 23rd January | 9.30am Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady of Mount Carmel | 10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Intention: SSVp Mass Intentions, Kathleen Chambers (RecDec). | Mark 3:31-35 |
| Wednesday 24th January | 10.00am Mass at St Matthew's | Intention: Alex McGarry (RecDec) | Mark 4:1-20 |
| Thursday 25th January | 9.30am Rosary at St Matthew's | 10am Mass at St Matthew's Intention: Mary Hasson (RecDec) | Mark 16:15-18 |
| Friday 26th January | 9.30am Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel | 10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: Kathleen Chambers (RecDec) and Francis Cunningham (RecDec) | Mark 4:26-34 |
| Saturday 27th January | 9.30am Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St Matthew's | 10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: Eileen Anne Millar (RecDec) | 6.00pm Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's Mark 4:35-41 |
| Sunday 28th January | 9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: Mary Hasson (RecDec) | 11.30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: Mary Murphy (RecDec) and Carolyn Harper (5th Ann). | Mark 1:21-28 |

Please remember the following in your prayers:

We remember all those who are in need of our prayers:

Recently Deceased: Fr Tommy McNulty O.Praem., Patrick O'Connor, Dymphna Brennan, Alex McGarry, Francis Cunningham, Eileen Anne Millar, Kathleen Chambers, Mary Hasson, and all victims of war and violence.

Anniversaries: Carolyn Harper, Sarah Lobban and James McClung.

People who are ill: James Mackin, Murdoch Maguire, Mary McLaughlin, Ann Gillion, Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, Michelle Dunne, Leona McAllister, Donald Gibon, Frank Mullen, Helen O'Donnell, 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).

The Great River


You are much larger than the good or bad stories that you tell about yourself. Those stories are never the whole you, not the great you – nor are they places where a bigger life can happen. No wonder the Spirit is described as “flowing water” (John 7), as “a spring inside you” (Jn 4) and as “a river of life” (Ezek 7) . Your life is not really about you. You are part of a much bigger dynamic flow called Life Itself – or simply God.

Faith does not need to push the river because it is able to trust that there is a river – and you are already in it. The river is God’s Infinite Love. Without some awareness of being supported by and being part of this always-flowing river, you will succumb to your ego’s preoccupations and fears. To be held by God means you have to let go of your small boundaries, at least to some degree. Frankly, you have to be able to be shared, to sit at the group table instead of sitting alone and apart. The ego, initially, doesn’t like that, even though it will be the source of its deepest happiness and contentment.

This invitation should be a huge burden off your shoulders! Now you don’t need to be privately correct; you just need to stay connected.

Fr Richard Rohr OFM

SACRAMENTS

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| 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. |
|  | 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 |

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| OLMC | 1st: £247.05 and 2nd: £156.16. |
| ST MATTHEW’S | 1st: £269.13 and 2nd: £193.38 with the Community Box: £94.95 |

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE/EMAIL ADDRESSES

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| St. Andrew’s Primary School & Early Childhood Centre: 01563 549549 | St. Joseph’s Academy: 01563 526144 |
| Diocese of Galloway: 01292 266750 www.gallowaydiocese.org.uk | SPRED: 01292 738068 / Annie.Steven@spredgalloway.org.uk |
| Crosshouse Hospital Chaplaincy: St Joseph’s Parish - 01563 521832 | Ayr Hospital Chaplaincy: Fr. Benjamin Mkeri – 01655 882145 |
| St Matthew’s Hall Bookings: Margaret Merrick - 07765715798 or Email: margaret.merrick@btinternet.com | |
| ITEMS FOR THE SUNDAY BULLETIN: 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: kilmarnock.olmc@gallowaydiocese.org.uk OR kilmarnock.stmatthew@gallowaydiocese.org.uk . Deadline: Thursdays 10am. | |


Ministry Rota for 21st January 2024– The 3rd Sunday in OT-Year B.

| Scripture | Jonah 3:1-5, 10 | Psalm 24 | I Cor. 7:29-31 | Mark 1:14-20 |
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| St. Matthew’s | Readers: Gerry Coyle, Madaline Musilli and Margaret Merrick. Euch.Ministers: Larry Tommie (L), Cherry Stacey (L), Maureen Bradley (L), Ann Marie Gilmour (R), Louise Johnston (R). | | | |
| Our Lady of Mount Carmel | Readers: Collette Lamberth and Donna Shearer. Euch.Ministers: Agnes Starrs, Marie Wilkie and Marion Smith. | | | |

Ministry Rota for 28th January 2024– The 4th Sunday in OT-Year B.

| Scripture | Deuteronomy 18:15-20 | Psalm 94 | I Cor. 7:32-35 | Mark 1:21-28 |
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| St. Matthew’s | Readers: Maureen Bradley, Kenny Ainsworth and Joseph Duff Euch.Ministers: Stephen Duff (L), Clare Gordon (L), Maureen Thomson (L), Catherine Brown (R), Sister (R). | | | |
| Our Lady of Mount Carmel | Readers: C Cox and Charlie Harper Euch.Ministers: Suzy Hollywood, Linda Hefron and Sister. | | | |

NOTICES

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|  <p>Fr Tommy McNulty <i>O.Praem</i> RIP</p> | <p>We are very sorry to learn of the passing of our former parish priest at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Fr Tommy, who died peacefully on Thursday (18th) back in his home town of Ravensdale, near Dundalk in Ireland. Fr Tommy was aged 87 years. He will be remembered by us all for his lovely, caring, gentle ways. We give thanks to God for his over 60 years of priestly ministry in many places in England, Australia and of course ourselves here at Our Lady of Mount Carmel parish as a member of the Order of the Canons Regular of Prémontré (also known as The Norbertines) who served us from 1971-1999. In his retirement he returned to his family home in the beautiful Cooley Peninsula, Co.Louth in his native Ireland and continued to serve the church for the Archdiocese of Armagh, he only retired 2 years ago! Fr Tommy's Requiem takes place today (Sunday) at 2pm in St James' Parish Church, Grange, Cooley, Co.Louth. The church webcam can be found on their website— https://www.cooleyparish.ie</p> |
| <p>Ordination of our new Bishop</p> | <p>Bishop-elect Fr Francis Dougan will be Ordained in St Peter's Church, Ardrossan at 11am on Saturday 9th March and the very next day on Sunday 10th March (Mother's Day) he will take "possession" of St Margaret's Cathedral in Ayr at a celebratory Mass at 3pm. To enable a wee bit of control of the capacity our parishes will be given a share of the invitations to each ceremony and those who wish to attend can sign-up as hopeful guests and we will have a raffle to allocate our share. The Parish Hall at St Peter's will have a first come, first seated policy for those who were unlucky in the invitation draw but want to be there and follow the ceremony on live screens. Both ceremonies will be Live streamed also to follow at home. Let us keep Fr Dougan in our prayers as he prepares to take up residence in Candida Casa, Ayr and prepare for this wonderful historical occasion. Please sign-up to take part in the invitation raffle today by using the slips in the porch. One slip per person please. St Ninian-pray for him, pray for us all.</p> |
| <p>Community Box</p> | <p>Those involved in this venture are asked to meet after 9.30am Mass next Sunday (28th) to share and update on the ongoing activities of this much needed good work.</p> |
| <p>Youth Hub</p> | <p>All our young people from p.7 up to VI form in Secondary School are invited to join us for the Youth Hub meetings. The next takes place in St Matthew's Hall this coming Thursday (25th January) from 6.30pm till 8.30pm-it is free!</p> |
| <p>First Confession Programme</p> | <p>Parents of children in p.3 should register with the parish to begin their preparation for the Sacrament in Lent of this year. Invitation letters have been distributed by both Primary Schools. We look forward to the 1st Parents' meeting in St Joseph's Church Hall on 30th January at 7pm.</p> |
| <p>HCPT Lourdes Quiz Night and Raffle</p> | <p>During the Easter week, young parishioners from St Joseph's parish, Mark and Kieran O'Neill, will be travelling to Lourdes as part of the HCPT Easter pilgrimage with Group 138 led by Fr Martin Chambers. They are fundraising to help take disabled and disadvantaged children and young people from Ayrshire. In order to do so they are running a quiz night on 24th February in St Joseph's Church hall. Please come along for 7:30pm. £3 per person. No sign up needed, pay on the night. Teams of up to a maximum of 6 people. Raffle donations welcome. Cash prize to be won. BYOB and snacks!</p> |
| <p>Access to Church</p> | <p>At last week's meetings to discuss better access to Sunday Mass for those struggling with transport there was an overwhelming positive response and so if you are having such a difficulty due to lack of transport we would like to hear from you. We are now exploring demand for a monthly system of transport to either Church for parishioners. Please email/call the parish office and sign-up for this service and the teams will be in touch with the monthly arrangements.</p> |
| <p>St Andrew's Primary School p.1 Registration.</p> | <p>Placing requests for P1's should be completed and submitted no later than 31 January 2024. If you wish to have a look at the P1 classrooms in St Andrew's Primary then please contact the school, all places on the walk round must be booked in advance. Tel: 01563 549549.</p> |
| <p>Ecumenical News</p> | <p>The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Church Service will take place in St Marnock's Church today (Sunday 21st January) at 3pm to which all are welcome.</p> |
| <p>SSVP Seniors Club 1st meeting At OLMC</p> | <p>Due to the overwhelming feedback from our Seniors OLMC SSVP are delighted to invite all Seniors to their first meeting of the new club in the Norbert Room at OLMC from 1.30pm till 3.30pm this coming Wednesday (24th January). There will be a flexible programme with the opportunity to learn new things, try different activities, enjoy tea, coffee, cake and a blether with friends. Feel free to bring your favourite game, your sewing, knitting, or a friend. There's even the chance to win a prize by designing a name for our new club. We look forward to seeing you on the 24th. For more information feel free to speak to Irene, Celia or any member of SSVP. There will be no charge for the Club—all seniors are welcome.</p> |
| <p>Used Stamps Wanted!</p> | <p>Don't throw out your used stamps as they can be collected to benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society all year round. Please leave in the Church Porch for collection. Thanks for a bumper response over Christmas-keep them coming!</p> |



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