



St Joseph's Catholic Church, Kilmarnock

THE SUNDAY NEWSLETTER

St Peter & St Paul
Sunday 30th June 2024

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LITURGY AND GATHERINGS FROM SUNDAY 30th JUNE – 7th JULY 2024

Mass is livestreamed on the "St Joseph's, Kilmarnock" YouTube channel.

Date	Time	Gathering	Mass intention (Fr McGrattan / Fr Rennie)
Saturday 29th	10.00 am	Mass in St Matthew's Church	
	5.30 – 5.45 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
Sunday 30th	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass	/ Rose Allardyce (RIP)
	11.00 am	Mass	Robert Mulhern (Ann) / For the Parish
	After Mass	Tea and Coffee in St Joseph's Hall	
Monday 1st	3.00 pm	Fellowship of Kilmarnock Churches Service in the Fenwick Church	
	10.00 am	Mass	Peter Thomson (Ann) / Special Intention
	10.30 – 10.45 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
Tuesday 2nd	10.00 am	Mass	Peter Scott (RIP) / Fr Luke Browne (RIP)
	10.30 – 11.00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Wednesday 3rd	10.00 am	Mass	/ Margaret Kennedy (RIP)
	After Mass	Recitation of the Rosary	
Thursday 4th	12.30 pm	Funeral Service for Mary Connelly, RIP	
	6.00 pm	Mass	Stan Harrison (RIP) /
Friday 5th	10.00 am	Mass	/
	2.00 pm	Spanish Lessons in St Joseph's Hall	
Saturday 6th	10.00 am	Mass in St Matthew's Church	
	5.30 – 5.45 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass	/
Sunday 7th	11.00 am	Mass	Robert Mulhern (Ann) / For the Parish
	After Mass	Tea and Coffee in St Joseph's Hall	

The church will be open for prayer Monday to Friday from 9.30 am until 4 pm. Enter through small side door.

SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL: Today is the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. There will be a special collection at masses this weekend for Peter's Pence. The Peter's Pence collection supports the Holy Father's mission, which extends throughout the entire world, from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education, peace, and brotherhood among peoples: thanks also to the many activities of service carried out by the dicasteries, bodies and organs of the Holy See who assist him every day.

It also supports the aid of people and families in difficulty, populations afflicted by natural disasters and wars, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or support for development. For more information see: <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en/giornate-dell-obolo.html>.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE: With sadness we inform you of the deaths of Mary Connolly and Molly Ferguson. Mary's funeral service will be on Wednesday 3rd July at 12.30pm in St Joseph's. Molly's Funeral arrangements will be announced in due course. May they rest in peace.

SUMMER BREAK: The Community Café will take a break during the school holidays, resuming on Tuesday 27th August. The Children's Liturgy and Sunday Teas will not take place during the month of July but will resume in August.

FELLOWSHIP OF KILMARNOCK CHURCHES SERVICE: The next Fellowship ecumenical service will take place in Fenwick Church at 3 pm on Sunday 30th June. The theme will be serving persecuted Christians around the world.

Hall bookings: Margaret McGrath (01563 542130). **Safeguarding co-ordinator:** Margaret McGrath (01563 542130)

Crosshouse and Ayr Hospitals: In emergencies ask hospital staff to page on-call priest chaplain. For regular visiting:

Crosshouse Hospital: Fr Stephen McGrattan (stephen.mcgrattan@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or 01563 521832)

Ayr Hospital: Fr Benjamin Mkeri (benjamin.mkeri@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or 01655 882145)

St Andrew's Primary: 01563 549549 **Mount Carmel Primary:** 01563 525897 **St Joseph's Academy:** 01563 526144

Standing orders: £683.31. **Weekly collection:** £974.88. **Apostolate of Life:** £31. **Organ Recital:** £266.50.

Thank you for generously supporting our parish.

Guest speaker will be Chris Greenhalgh of the Open Doors charity. Please represent our parish at this event.



The last minibus trip to St Andrews was a great success, sign up in the porch to join for July's trip. Places are limited to sign up quickly to avoid disappointment.

PARISH MINIBUS TRIP: The next parish minibus trip will take place on Friday 19th July to the Kelpies and the Falkirk Wheel. We will leave St Joseph's after 10.00 am Mass. On arrival at the Falkirk Wheel, there will be the opportunity to explore the grounds and to have lunch. There is also the option to take a boat ride on the wheel (At an additional cost of up to £15 depending on numbers), please tick when signing up if you would like to take part). Afterwards we will go to see the Kelpies before returning to St Joseph's for approximately 6.00 PM.

The trip will cost £13, payable on the day. Please note that lunch is not included in the cost, it will be available for purchase in the visitor centre/ please bring a packed lunch.

The Parish Minibus trips are open to parishioners of all ages. If you would like to join for a family day out over the holidays please feel free to sign up and to come along. The buses have seat belts for children.

APPEAL FROM ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Demand for the Parish foodbank has been increasingly notably over recent weeks at a time when donations of food have also been decreasing. This puts increasing pressure on the society to try and fund purchases of food in order to keep producing food bags for those in need in our community. They ask that, if possible, you please consider donating either full food bags, or individual items. Any donations are greatly appreciated and can be left in the box in the church porch. The contents requested for a food bag are:

- Cans of soup
- Canned meals, e.g. beef bolognese, chilli con carne, chicken supreme, Fray Bentos style pie
- Pasta / tinned potatoes / rice
- Tinned fruit / vegetables / beans

- Cartons of long-life milk (UHT)
- Tinned hotdog sausages
- Tinned sardines / mackerel fillets / tuna
- Biscuits
- Toilet roll / bars of soap.

Please ensure canned foods **have a ring pull** for opening. Please also note that tea, coffee and sugar are **not required**. Any donations are gratefully received and can be dropped off in the Church Porch / Church Hall (Wednesday 10.30 – 11.30) / Church House.

ORGAN RECITAL SERIES: The next organ recital will take place on Tuesday 16th July at 12.00 pm. This month we welcome Hans Uwe Hielscher, a renowned German organist who has played over 3000 organ concerts worldwide.

PARISH FUN DAY: On **Sunday 11th August** there will be a Parish Fun Day after 11 am Mass with a bouncy castle and games for the children, face-painting, home baking, hot rolls and more. All welcome.

HALL HIRE: Did you know that our parish hall is available for hire for occasional events? If you've a big event coming up – whether it's a significant birthday or a big family gathering – the hall is available for rent at competitive rates. By hiring the hall, you're able to support the continuing mission of St Joseph's, and the ongoing works and maintenance of the hall. Most recently, the funds raised through the café and hall hire have enabled us to renew all of the lighting in the main hall area, making it brighter and more energy efficient.

If you're interested in finding out more, please speak to Margaret McGrath or call 01563 542130.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY: Fr Stephen, Fr Kevin, and the Sisters visit Catholic patients in Crosshouse Hospital typically twice weekly. If you know of anyone in the hospital, please let us know by email (stephen.mcgrattan@gallowaydiocese.org.uk) or phone and they will be visited during our routine visiting. We are not automatically notified when a Catholic patient is admitted to hospital and so we rely on receiving the information from family and friends.

For general visiting in Ayr Hospital please contact Fr Benjamin Mkeri at benjamin.mkeri@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or on 01655 882145.

For **urgent or emergency assistance from a chaplain** please ask the hospital staff to page the priest on call.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: There's lots coming up in the coming weeks, so save the date and join us when you can.

- Organ Recital – Tue 16th July, 12.00 pm
- Minibus Trip to the Falkirk Wheel and Kelpies – Fri 19th July
- Parish Fun Day – Sun 11th Aug
- National Pilgrimage to Whithorn – Sun 25th Aug

MINISTRY ROTAS FOR THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK

	Readers	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Sunday Teas	Children's Liturgy	Welcomers	Bidding Prayers
Saturday 29 June 6pm	E Heron, M Kirk, A Davidson	Sr Juliet, D Casey, C McGowan, K McGhee, M McGrath	Joseph, Lexi, Antoni, Ravindu, Maia			Anne, Michael	IHM Sisters
Sunday 30 June 11am	L Hand, G Smith, T Murphy	H Matthews, R Murphy, A Neil, J Shields	Ryan, Marilyn, Aidan, Mark, Rachel, Luca	Alice Murphy Anna Mackie	Emma Boyd, Karen Cassidy	Paul, Libby	IHM Sisters
Saturday 6 July 6pm	F Donachie, G McIntyre, M McGrath	J Lennon, C Power, G Rankin, E Rankin, Sr Mabel	Joseph, Lexi, Antoni, Ravindu, Maia			Claire, Margaret	H Rameckers