



St Joseph's Catholic Church, Kilmarnock

THE SUNDAY NEWSLETTER

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 13th October 2024

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LITURGY AND GATHERINGS FROM SUNDAY 13th – 20th OCTOBER 2024

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

Date	Time	Gathering	Mass intention (Fr McGrattan / Fr Rennie)
Saturday 12th	10.00 am	Mass in St Matthew's Church	
	5.30 – 5.45 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass	Peter Maxwell (RIP) /
Sunday 13th	11.00 am	Mass	For the Parish / Rachael Morran (Ann)
	After Mass	Tea and Coffee in St Joseph's Hall	
Monday 14th	10.00 am	Mass	/ Special Intention
	10.30 – 10.45 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	10.30 – 11.00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tuesday 15th	12.30 pm	Ambrosian Society Annual Mass	Fr Martin Chambers (RIP) / Peter Maxwell (RIP)
Wednesday 16th	10.00 am	Mass	Daniel Sánchez Mostaza (Ann) / Suzy Gilbert (RIP)
	After Mass	Recitation of the Holy Rosary	
Thursday 17th	6.00 pm	Mass	Andrea Tanner (RIP) / M. Bailly Edouard (RIP)
	6.30 – 7.30 pm	Mission Talk in St Matthew's Church	
Friday 18th	10.00 am	Mass	Robert Reid (RIP) / Special Intention
Saturday 19th	10.00 am	Mass in St Matthew's Church	
	5.30 – 5.45 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass	/ Molly Ferguson (RIP)
Sunday 20th	11.00 am	Mass	For the Parish / For the Parish
	After Mass	Tea and Coffee in St Joseph's Hall	
	5.00 pm	Vigil Reception for Stuart MacMillan D'Andrea, RIP	

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

REQUIESCANT IN PACE: With sadness we inform you of the death of Stuart MacMillan D'Andrea. Stuart's mortal remains will be received into the Church at 5.00 pm on Sunday 20th October following which his Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Monday 21st October at 10.00 am. We extend our condolences to his family and friends, and may he rest in peace.

PARISH MINIBUS TRIP: The next (and final for this year) minibus trip will take place on Friday 18th October, leaving after 10.00 am Mass, to the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum where we can enjoy the museum's exhibits or even an organ recital by Chris Nikol, followed by a visit to The Riverside Museum (new Museum of Transport) in Glasgow. The cost per person, payable on the day, is £14. Please note that lunch is not included. **If you would like to join the trip, please sign up in the porch by Monday.**

Remember that the minibus trips are open to everyone, and this one falls during the October week so if you're looking for a day out to entertain our young parishioners please sign up – children and adults of all ages welcome!

AMBROSIAN SOCIETY ANNUAL MASS: You are warmly invited to join us as we celebrate Mass with former students of the Royal Scots College, Spain as they gather for their annual meeting. The Mass at 12.30 pm on Tuesday 15th October (the Feast of St Teresa of Avila) will be celebrated by Bishop Frank Dougan and concelebrated by up to 20 clergy. Please note, there will be no 10.00 am Mass on Tuesday.

COMMUNITY CAFÉ: There will be no Community Café this Tuesday (15th October). It will resume as normal next week.

RCIA THIS WEEK: This week the RCIA group will attend the Mission Talk at 7.00 pm in St Matthew's Church, there will be no RCIA meeting in St Joseph's.

MISSION SUNDAY: Next Sunday (20th October) is World Mission Sunday, the day on which we are invited to remember in a particular way the work of the missions and to renew our own commitment as missionary disciples of Christ in our own lives. A second collection will be taken up at Mass in support of the work of the Pontifical Mission Society.

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@rcdg.org.uk or 01563 521832)

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

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

Standing orders: £621. **Weekly collection:** £1,154.81. **Building Fund:** £1,328.15. **Mission Sunday:** £40.

Thank you for generously supporting our parish.

ST JOSEPH'S, KILMARNOCK—THE RESTORED
HARRISON & HARRISON ORGAN (1903, 2023)



Recitalist:
Chris Bragg
(University of St Andrews)

Tuesday 22 October at 12 noon
St Joseph's Church, 15a Hill Street,
Kilmarnock, KA3 1HB

A one hour organ recital featuring a programme of music
on the church's recently restored 1903 Harrison & Harrison pipe organ.

Admission Free

Retiral Collection

Soup, sandwiches and cakes available in the church hall from 11 am.

No booking required - Just come along

- Tinned fruit / vegetables / beans
- Cartons of long-life milk (UHT)
- Tin of tuna
- Packet of biscuits
- Toilet roll.

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.

By way of example, 35 parcels were distributed last Wednesday.

SSVP FINANCES	June	July	August	September
Box collections	£1,021.95	£750.07	£756.73	£910.75
Purchase of Food bags	£996.02	£1,285.16	£1,212.59	£1,275.71
Surplus/Deficit	+£25.93	-£535.09	-£455.86	-£364.96

CHOIR PRACTICES FOR CHRISTMAS: These will commence on Sunday 3 November at 6 p.m. and continue thereafter on a weekly basis, concluding with a final practice on Sunday 22 December. All practices are in the church. New members are most welcome. There are no auditions and the ability to read music, though helpful, is not essential.

HALLOWEEN QUIZ NIGHT: The annual Halloween Quiz Night will take place on Saturday 26th October, starting at 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall. So come along on your own or get a team together and see if you've got what it takes to answer the quiz master's questions! Tickets are on sale now from the church stall, priced £5.00.

There will also be a raffle on the night, if you are able to give any donations of raffle prizes, please hand these in to the sacristy or the Church stall after any Mass, or hand them into Margaret at the Community Café on a Tuesday.

KILMARNOCK PARISHES ANNUAL CEMETERY MASS: The annual Kilmarnock Parishes Cemetery Mass will take place on Saturday 9th November at 11.00 am in Grassyards Cemetery. All are invited to join us in praying for all of those who have died from our parish community and who are buried there.

MASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED SINCE LAST NOVEMBER: At 11.00 am Mass on Sunday 3rd November, the faithful departed of our parishes who have died during the last year will be prayed for and remembered by name. A letter will be sent to their families inviting them to attend.

OCTOBER MONTH OF THE MISSION TALKS: The annual October Mission talk series returns this year with the focus being on the missionary work of the late Fr Martin Chambers, RIP. For more information and venues (note these change each week) please see the poster in the porch.

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:

- Can of soup
- Canned meal, e.g. beef stew, chilli con carne, curry
- Pasta or rice (only small bags)

HILLHOUSE CHRISTMAS PRESENT APPEAL FOR CHILDREN:

Last year Hillhouse supported 1,609 young people in East Ayrshire aged 16 and under by providing 3,218 Christmas gifts to those most in need. When you are buying Christmas presents, can you please remember the Hillhouse outreach? Most needed are:



- toys for children aged 7-16 years,
- pyjamas for 0 -16 year olds,
- boxer shorts and socks for teenage boys,
- toiletries for teenage girls (e.g. perfume, deodorant and make up)
- toiletries for teenage boys (e.g. shower gel, after shave, deodorant).

Please donate items in the box in the porch unwrapped before the beginning of December.

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@rcdg.org.uk) or phone 01563 521832 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@rcdg.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 over the next few weeks, so save the date and join us for what you can:

- Ambrosian Society Mass – Tuesday 15th October; 12.30 pm
- Parish Minibus Trip to Glasgow – Friday 18th October; 10.30 am
- Organ Recital by Chris Bragg – Tuesday 22nd October; 12.00 pm
- Halloween Quiz Night – Saturday 26th October; 7.00 pm
- Sacramental Preparation Mass – Sunday 27th October; 11.00 am
- Mass for those who have died during the last year – Sunday 3rd November; 11.00 am
- Choir Practices for Christmas begin – Sunday 3rd November; 6.00 pm
- Kilmarnock Parishes Cemetery Mass – Saturday 9th November; 11.00 am
- Organ Recital by William R. Hutcheson – Tuesday 12th November; 12.00 pm
- St Joseph's Academy Christmas Fayre – Saturday 23rd November; 11.00 am – 2.00 pm
- Hillhouse Christmas Fayre – Sunday 24th November; 11.00 am – 2.00 pm
- Children's Christmas Party – Sunday 8th December; 2.00 – 3.30 pm

MINISTRY ROTAS FOR THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK

	Readers	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Sunday Teas	Children's Liturgy	Welcomers	Bidding Prayers
Saturday 12 October 6pm	M Kirk, K McGhee, G McIntyre	M McGrath, F Donachie, C McGowan, J Lennon, C Power	Joseph, Lexi, Antoni, Ravindu, Maia			Claire, Margaret	IHM Sisters
Sunday 13 October 11am	M Andrew, M Walker, E Bohan	A Neil, H Matthews, J Shields, F McCann, P Dorrian	Ryan, Marilyn, Aidan, Mark, Rachel, Luca, Gabo	Anne & Gerry Smith	-	Paul, Libby	IHM Sisters
Saturday 19 October 6pm	H Rameckers, M McGrath, F Donachie	D Casey, A Gorman, Sr Mabel, K McGhee, M Steele	Joseph, Lexi, Antoni, Ravindu, Maia			Anne, Michael	H Rameckers
Sunday 20 October 11am	M Cunningham, R Doak, L Hand	M Andrew, D Custodio, M Walker, P Chigbo, E Cunningham	Ryan, Marilyn, Aidan, Mark, Rachel, Luca, Gabo	Anne & Mike Timmons	Emma Boyd, Karen Cassidy	Eileen, Dennis	H Rameckers