



St Joseph's Catholic Church, Kilmarnock

THE SUNDAY NEWSLETTER

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 27th October 2024

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LITURGY AND GATHERINGS FROM SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER – 3rd NOVEMBER 2024

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

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Gathering</i>	<i>Mass intention (Fr McGrattan / Fr Rennie)</i>
Saturday 26th	10.00 am	Mass in St Matthew's Church	
	5.30 – 5.45 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass	/ Anne Sinforiani (Ann)
Sunday 27th	7.00 pm	Halloween Quiz Night in St Joseph's Hall	
	11.00 am	Mass	John Loughran (Ann) / For the Parish
		<i>Sacramental Preparation Mass for children in P4</i>	
Monday 28th	After Mass	Tea and Coffee in St Joseph's Hall	
	10.00 am	Mass	Rose Allardyce (Ann) / Craig McVittie (RIP)
	10.30 – 10.45 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
Tuesday 29th	6.00 – 6.30 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
	6.30 – 8.00 pm	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in St Joseph's Hall	
	10.00 am	Mass	Hugh O'Pray (RIP) / Fr Chris Brannan (RIP)
Wednesday 30th	10.30 – 11.00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
	11.00 – 1.00 pm	Community Café in St Joseph's Hall	
	10.00 am	Mass	Conn Devenny (RIP) / Peter Maxwell (RIP)
Thursday 31st	Afterwards	Recitation of the Holy Rosary	
	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of All Saints	Rose Mochan (RIP) / Colin Campbell (RIP)
	6.50 – 7.50 pm	RCIA in St Joseph's Church	
Friday 1st	12.30 pm	Lunchtime Mass for the Solemnity of All Saints	Faithful Departed / Faithful Departed
Saturday 2nd	10.00 am	Mass for the Commemoration of All Souls	Faithful Departed / Faithful Departed
		<i>in St Joseph's Church (this week only)</i>	
	5.30 – 5.45 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
Sunday 3rd	6.00 pm	Vigil Mass	/ Angelo Bordone (RIP)
	11.00 am	Mass	For the Parish / For the Parish
		<i>For all those who have died over the last year</i>	
	After Mass	Tea and Coffee in St Joseph's Hall	
	6.00 – 8.00 pm	Choir Practices for Christmas commence	

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

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS, HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION: On Friday, the Solemnity of All Saints is a Holy Day of Obligation. To help you fulfil the obligation, Masses will be celebrated at 6.00 pm on Thursday (Vigil of All Saints), and at 12.30 pm on Friday in St Joseph's.

COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS: On Saturday we pray for all of the faithful departed who have died. To give parishioners an opportunity to offer these prayers through the sacrifice of the Mass, an additional 10.00 am Mass will be celebrated on Saturday in St Joseph's.

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.

RCIA THIS WEEK: RCIA resumes this week after Thursday evening Mass. As the evening Mass will be the Vigil of All Saints, RCIA will begin at 6.50 pm in the Church porch.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE: With sadness we inform you of the death of Tom McGeady. Tom's mortal remains will be

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:** £1,099.23. **SCIAF:** £140. **Missio Scotland:** £969.74. **Organ Recital:** £236.20.


Thank you for generously supporting our parish.

received into church on Sunday 8th December at 6 pm and the Requiem Mass on Monday 9th December at 10 am. We extend our condolences to their families and friends, and may they rest in peace.

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

Recitalist:
William R. Hutcheson
(Freelance Organist, Paisley)

Tuesday 12 November 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

No booking required - Just come along

DO THIS IN MEMORY: Today our young parishioners continue their preparation for the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion with another of the special "Do this in Memory" Sundays. We continue to remember the children and their families in our prayers at this important time.

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.

NOVEMBER MASSES FOR THE DECEASED: During the month of November the Masses will be offered for the faithful departed of the parishes. November Lists are available in the bulletin this weekend and more lists can be found at the back of the church. Please add the names of your loved ones whom you wish to be remembered this month with a Mass offering, and place your list in the basket in front of the altar. The names of your loved ones whom you wish to be remembered this month will be inserted within the album at the altar.

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.

CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME FOR ALTAR SERVERS: The altar servers are invited to "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" in the Big Top at Ayrshire Athletics Arena (near Asda) in Kilmarnock on the afternoon of Saturday 28th December. Details of the outing will be given nearer the time, but to reserve tickets in advance the altar servers are asked to indicate to Fr Stephen or Fr Kevin whether they would like to go by 31st October.

YOUTH FOR LOURDES 2025:

The Diocesan Youth for Lourdes team are recruiting now! Are you aged S4-23 (as of 7th July 2025)? Interested in spending a week helping the sick in Lourdes? Register now to be part of YfL 2025! The expected cost is approximately £750 per person, however you will be supported in fundraising this and so you can fundraise for most or all of your fayre. To register, scan the QR code and complete the form.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: The Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Monday 28th October at 6.30 pm in the church hall. There will be a time of Eucharistic Adoration from 6.00 pm in the church for those who can manage. Should parishioners wish an item to be discussed, please email kilmarnock.stjoseph@rcdg.org.uk or pass the item to the parish house.

HILLHOUSE CHRISTMAS FAYRE: This is taking place in St Joseph's Church Hall on Sunday 24th November from 11am-2pm; £2 entry which includes tea or coffee and cakes. Entrance for a child is £1. There will be lots of lovely gifts for Christmas. All money raised will be spent on buying Christmas gifts for Ayrshire children.

GALLOWAY YOUNG ADULTS:

Starting soon, a new group for young adults aged 18-30 in the Diocese. The group will meet monthly in St Joseph's Church, Kilmarnock and is an opportunity for young adults to meet, pray, grow in faith and socialise. To register your interest and to hear more, please scan the QR code or speak to Fr Kevin.



PARISH READERS: Those who read at Mass in the parish are asked to attend an evening of reflection and formation on the New Lectionary and on their ministry of proclaiming the Word of God on **Monday 2nd December** from 7.00 – 8.30 pm in the church.

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:

- 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
- Sacramental Preparation Mass – Sunday 24th November; 11.00 am
- 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 26 October 6pm	A Davidson, K McGhee, M Kirk	G Rankin, E Rankin, Sr Juliet, J Lennon, F Donachie	Joseph, Lexi, Antoni, Ravindu, Maia			Claire, Margaret	M McGrath
Sunday 27 October 11am	T Murphy, G Smith, H Matthews	L Dorrian, I Love, R Murphy, A Neil, J Shields	Ryan, Marilyn, Aidan, Mark, Rachel, Luca, Gabo	Anne & Gerry Smith	-	Theresa, Alan	M McGrath
Saturday 2 November 6pm	K McGhee, M Kirk, H Rameckers	A Gorman, M McGrath, C Power, D Casey, J Lennon	Joseph, Lexi, Antoni, Ravindu, Maia			Anne, Michael	IHM Sisters
Sunday 3 November 11am	G McGee, F McCann, M Andrew	H Matthews, P Dorrian, D Custodio, M Walker, P Chigbo	Ryan, Marilyn, Aidan, Mark, Rachel, Luca, Gabo	E Cunningham, Liz Heron	Anne & Lucie Dorrian	Paul, Libby	IHM Sisters