

I can show love in many, many ways.  
 How is love being shown in the pictures below?  
 You might wish to colour them in.



The boys and girls are being very h \_ \_ \_ ful.



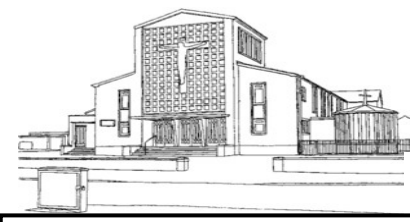
These boys are being c \_ \_ ring.



This family is thinking of others by sh \_ \_ \_ ing.



This wee girl is being very k \_ \_ d.



# SUNDAY BULLETIN

Sunday 18th May, 2025




## OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL & ST MATTHEW'S



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	<b>Liturgy:</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter-Year C</b>
	Divine Office:	Sunday: Volume 2, Week 1 with proper
	Mass texts in other languages:	<a href="http://virc.at/unit/virc/en/massreadings">virc.at/unit/virc/en/massreadings</a>
	Sunday Masses:	9.30am at St Matthew's, Grassyards Road. KA3 7SH. 11.30am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Kirkton Road. KA3 2DF.
	Psalm 145 Response:	I will bless your name for ever, my God and king.
	Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord, That you love one another, just as I have loved you. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
	Memorial Acclamation:	We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

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 Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Matthew's Kilmarnock](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

### Service Schedule for the coming week:

<b>5th Sunday of Easter -C 18th May</b>	9.30am at St. Matthew's Intention: Maureen Walsh (RecDec) Steven Love (RecDec) and Sp.Int-little Eabha-health.	11.30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: Maureen Walsh (RecDec), Margaret McIlvanney (5th Ann) and Tommy Wood (Sp.Int-health).
<b>Monday 19th May</b>	The Parish Office is closed on Mondays.	10am Mass at St Joseph's.
<b>Tuesday 20th May</b>	10am Mass in St Matthew's	Requiem Mass for Mrs Maureen Walsh RIP
<b>Wednesday 21st May</b>	10am Mass in St Matthew's	Intention: Derek Golding (RecDec) and Betty Spalding (RecDec).
<b>Thursday 22nd May</b>	10am Mass in Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Requiem Mass for Mrs Liz Szvatsina RIP
<b>Friday 23rd May</b>	9.30am Rosary in Our Lady of Mount Carmel 10am Mass in Our Lady of Mount Carmel.	Intention: John Meikle (11th Ann) and Tommy Wood (Sp.Int-health).
<b>Saturday 24th May</b>	9.30am Exposition and Confession in St Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: Maureen Cassells (RecDec) and Maureen Walsh (RecDec). 6.00pm Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's
<b>6th Sunday of Easter -C 25th May</b>	9.30am at St. Matthew's Intention: Maureen Walsh (RecDec) and Betty Spalding (RecDec).	11.30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: Maureen Walsh (RecDec), Hugh Strathearn (RecDec) and Catherine Rankin (RecDec).

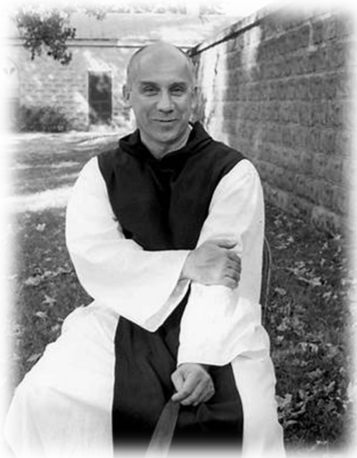
Please remember the following in your prayers:

**Rec. Deceased:** Maureen Walsh, Liz Szvatsina, Steven Love, Derek Golding, Betty Spalding, David Hughes, Maureen Cassells, Hugh Strathearn and Catherine Rankin.  
**Anniversaries/B'day Rem:** Margaret McIlvanney, John Meikle and all those we have known and loved.  
**The sick:** Little Eabha, Stuart Mason, Eleanor McCluskey, Margaret Fleming, Lily Kelly, Tom Currie, Mary McLaughlin, Dougie Black, Anne Johnston, Margaret Gay, Gerda Devlin, Pat McKenna, Matt Connelly, Janice McCrae, Ashley Kenny, Margaret Fitzpatrick, Kathleen McCallum, Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, Michelle Dunne, Leona McAllister, Donald Gibon, Frank Mullen, Helen O'Donnell, Frances O'Neill, Helen McClure, James Hughes, Max McLean, Mary Rea, Carolanne Gallagher, Charlie Smith.


**Prayer for Peace**

O God we are one with you  
 You have made us one with you.  
 You have taught us that if we are open to one another, you dwell in us.  
 Help us to preserve this openness and to fight for it with all our hearts.  
 Help us to realise that there can be no understanding where there is mutual rejection.  
 O God in accepting each other wholeheartedly, fully, completely,  
 We accept you and we thank you, and we adore you,  
 And we love you with our whole being,  
 Because our being is in your being, our spirit is rooted in your spirit.  
 Fill us then with love,  
 And let us be bound together with love as we go our diverse ways,  
 United in this one spirit, which makes you present in the world,  
 And which makes you witness to the ultimate reality, which is love.  
 Love has overcome, Love is victorious, Amen.

*Thomas Merton OCSO  
 1915-1968*



**SACRAMENTS**

<b>Marriage</b>	By arrangement with Fr. Jim. The Diocese of Galloway requires that couples give a minimum of six months' notice of their intention to marry
<b>Baptism</b>	By arrangement with Fr. Jim on a mutually suitable date and time
<b>Reconciliation</b>	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

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS.** With grateful thanks we acknowledge the following generosity

OLMC	1st: £265.42 and the 2nd collection for Church Students: £252.68
ST MATTHEW'S	1st: £400.60 and the 2nd for Church Students: £436.33 The Community Box: £154.37
The next free Community Meal is on Sunday 8th June at 12.45pm-all are welcome.	

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE/EMAIL ADDRESSES**

<b>KILMARNOCK RC CHURCHES:</b> www.rckilmarnock.org.uk	
<b>FACEBOOK:</b> www.facebook.com/OurLadyOfMountCarmelKilmarnock / https://facebook.com/stmatthewschurchkilmarnock	
OLMC Society of Saint Vincent de Paul: olmc_ssvp@icloud.com	Mount Carmel Primary School: 01563 525897
St. Andrew's Primary School & Early Childhood Centre: 01563 549549	St. Joseph's Academy: 01563 526144
Diocese of Galloway: 01292 266750 www.rcdg.org.uk 8 Corsehill Road, Ayr. KA7 2ST.	SPRED: 01292 738068 / Email: office.ayr@spredgalloway.org.uk Facebook: SPRED Galloway/www.spredgalloway.org.uk
Crosshouse Hospital Chaplaincy: St Joseph's - 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@rcdg.org.uk OR kilmarnock.stmatthew@rcdg.org.uk. Deadline: Thursdays 10am.	

**Ministry Rota for 18th May 2025– Fifth Sunday of Easter-Year C.**

Scripture	Acts 14:21b-27.	Psalms 145	Rev. 21:1-5a	John 13:31-33a,34-35
<b>St. Matthew's</b>	<b>Readers:</b> Margaret Merrick, Kenny Ainsworth and Dawn Bias. <b>Euch.Ministers:</b> Catherine Brown (L), Maureen Bradley (L), Martin Dempster (L), Anne Gillion (R), Sister (R).			
<b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b>	<b>Readers:</b> Agnes Starrs and Marie Wilkie. <b>Euch.Ministers:</b> Suzy Hollywood, Graham Rannochoan and Luke Shearer.			

**Ministry Rota for 25th May 2025– Sixth Sunday of Easter-Year C.**

Scripture	Acts 15:1-2,22-29	Psalms 67	Rev. 21:10-14, 22-23	John 14:23-29
<b>St. Matthew's</b>	<b>Readers:</b> Catherine Brown, Joseph Duff and Veronica Kelly. <b>Euch.Ministers:</b> Cherry Stacey (L), Fred Stacey (L), Maureen Thomson (L), Ann Marie Gilmour (R), Philip Brown (R).			
<b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b>	<b>Readers:</b> Collette Lamberth and Charlie Harper. <b>Euch.Ministers:</b> Marie Urquhart, Linda Hefron and Stuart Clark.			

**NOTICES**

Please pray for the souls of

**Maureen Walsh  
 Elizabeth (ka: Liz) Szvatsina  
 David Hughes**

who have sadly passed away.

We send our sincere condolences and prayers to their loving families and friends at this time of loss.

Maureen's Requiem will take place in St Matthew's at 10am on Tuesday 20th May.

Liz's Requiem will take place in OLMC at 10am on Thursday 22nd May.

David's arrangements are to be announced.

*May they rest in peace.*

Offertory Envelopes for St Matthew's	The new sets of envelopes are now available for collection today after Mass in the Hall. Chris and John from the Parish Finance & Fabric team are on hand to assist. Can we ask our envelope users to oblige us by helping us to update our records by completing a wee form. If you'd like to join the envelope system or would like to move over to a SO for your offering Chris and John can help you with that too. Thank you.
First Communion Rehearsal at St Matthew's	St Matthew's First Communion children and families will rehearse their celebration day after 9.30am Mass next Sunday (25th May). Parents are asked to stay with the children that day for this rehearsal for the first communion celebrations across June. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as their celebration days approach.
First Communion Sunday Club at OLMC	OLMC first communion children will have their regular gathering after 11.30am Mass next Sunday-25th May with their "I Belong" project book. Their rehearsal takes place on Sunday 15th June following 11.30am Mass. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as their celebration day approach.
Youth Gathering	The next diocesan youth gathering for young people aged from pr.6 to s.4 will take place in St Joseph's Church Hall today-Sunday 18th May) from 5pm till 7pm. A gathering for young adults (aged 18-30) takes place on Sunday 1st June beginning with Mass at 6pm. This evening will look and learn from the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis. All young people are welcome. Scan the QR code on the poster to book or register here @rcdgyouth. The team are looking to sign-up adult leaders-once again contact @rcdgyouth to volunteer.
U R Welcome Seniors Club	The next regular meeting of this group for seniors will take place in the Norbert Room at OLMC this Wednesday 21st May from 1.30pm till 3.30pm. All seniors and friends and neighbours are most welcome.
Special Edition The Catholic Post	You may remember a special edition on the life of Pope Francis on his passing from "The Catholic Post". They have produced another special edition on the election of Pope Leo XIV. Free copies are in the porches of each church-when they are gone-they're gone!
SPRED Grand Raffle	The SPRED Galloway group thank you so much for your kind and generous response to their Grand Raffle-all tickets are gone! Thank you!
Iona	The Catholic House of Prayer on Iona is looking to recruit a general assistant to help run the house from July this year for 2 or more months. Accommodation & good rate of pay provided. The role involves changeovers and cooking. More information from the Warden: Jane Kindlen mail@catholic-iona.com or call 01681 700369.
Foodbank Information	In need of support from the Foodbank at Our Lady of Mount Carmel or St Matthew's Churches? Telephone 01563 574000 to book an appointment (call before 3pm to be sure). The Foodbank at OLMC meets on Monday evenings at the Church (SSVP entrance) from 7.30pm till 8.15pm. At St Matthew's the Foodbank is open on Tuesdays and Thursday afternoons from 3.30pm till 5.30pm.
Used Stamps Reminder	Thank you to all who continue to donate their used stamps in the wee boxes in each of the Church porches to support the Multiple Sclerosis Society. This is just a wee reminder that it makes such a difference to this charity to receive your support in this way.
The Ascension Holy Day	On Thursday 29th May we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. It is a Holy Day of Obligation for us all. The following Masses are scheduled in our churches: In OLMC on Wednesday 28th May a Vigil Mass at 7pm will be celebrated. On the 29th itself Mass in St Matthew's will be at 9.30am and at 2.15pm (with the school attending) and in OLMC at 11.30am (with the school attending).
Special Collection	The annual special collection to support the Church's communication apostolate will be taken up on Sunday 1st June-World Communications Day.

Many happy returns to Sr Rose who celebrated her birthday yesterday (Saturday)-21 again!