



THE SUNDAY NEWSLETTER

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 9th August 2026

St Joseph's – Our Lady of Mount Carmel – St Matthew's
Catholic Parishes, Kilmarnock

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LITURGY AND GATHERINGS FROM SUNDAY 2nd – 9th AUGUST 2026

Time	Venue	Gathering	Mass intention
Saturday 8th			
5.30 – 5.45 pm	St Joseph's	Confession	
6.00 pm	St Joseph's	Mass	Special Intention
7.00 pm	St Joseph's	Diocesan Young Adults' Summer BBQ	
Sunday 9th			
9.30 am	St Matthew's	Mass	People of the Parishes
After Mass	St Matthew's	Tea and Coffee	
11.00 am	St Joseph's	Mass	Romao Zambucci (RIP)
After Mass	St Joseph's	Parish Fun Day (All welcome)	
11.30 am	OLMC	Mass	
After Mass	OLMC	Tea and Coffee	
12.45 pm	St Matthew's	Community Lunch	
Monday 10th			
10.00 am	St Joseph's	Mass	Kevin & Alice Murphy (Ann)
10.30 – 10.45 am	St Joseph's	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
		No Rosary or Mass in St Matthew's today.	
Tuesday 11th			
10.00 am	St Joseph's	Mass	
10.30 am	St Joseph's	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
10.00 am	OLMC	Mass	Dennis Collins (Ann)
After Mass	OLMC	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confession (until 10.50 am)	
Wednesday 12th			
10.00 am	St Joseph's	Mass	
After Mass	St Joseph's	Recitation of the Holy Rosary	
10.00 am	St Matthew's	Mass	Special Intention
After Mass	St Matthew's	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confession (until 10.50 am)	
Thursday 13th			
6.00 pm	St Joseph's	Mass	
Friday 14th			
10.00 am	St Joseph's	Requiem Mass for Elspeth McNeil, RIP	Elspeth McNeil (RIP)
		No Rosary or Mass in Our Lady of Mount Carmel today.	
Saturday 15th			
11.00 am	St Joseph's	Diocesan Youth (P5-S4) Summer Gathering	
		Scan the QR code to sign up.	
12.30 pm	St Joseph's	Mass with the Diocesan Youth	
5.30 – 5.45 pm	St Joseph's	Confession	
6.00 pm	St Joseph's	Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption	Frank Cullimore (RIP)
Sunday 16th			
9.30 am	St Matthew's	Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption	People of the Parishes
After Mass	St Matthew's	Tea and Coffee	
11.00 am	St Joseph's	Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption	Maggie Kucinski (RIP)
11.30 am	OLMC	Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption	Rosemary Cree (RIP)
After Mass	OLMC	Tea and Coffee	

St Joseph's is open for prayer Monday to Friday from 9.30 am until 4 pm. Enter through the small side door.

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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.

GENERAL NOTICES

CLERGY ANNUAL LEAVE: Fr Stephen will be on annual leave in the first half of August, followed by Fr Kevin in the second half of August. Please note the changes to the weekday Mass schedule.

YOUTH EVENTS: St Joseph's will be hosting the annual Diocesan Youth Summer Gathering on Saturday 15th August, welcoming youth and young adults from across the Diocese.

Additional Mass on Saturday 15th August

As part of the day's celebrations, the Youth Office will celebrate Mass, preceded by a short talk from some of their Junior Leaders on the theme of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, at 12.30 pm. This Mass is open to all who would like to come along and pray with the young people of our Diocese.

Help Needed – Could you make a salad or some home baking?

Could you donate a salad or home baking? If you are able to help, please speak to Fr Kevin or email youth@rcdg.org.uk. Any donations of home baking or salads can be dropped off in the sacristy or Church House on Friday 14th August.



WAVERLEY MINIBUS TRIP: Parishioners enjoyed a day out on Monday as they took a cruise around Ailsa Craig on the Waverley Paddle Steamer – the last sea going paddle steamer in the world. Everyone had a fantastic day and look forward to the next outing on Monday 7th September; details to follow next week.



ANNUAL BIRNIEKNOWE PILGRIMAGE: Last Sunday, parishioners from across the Deanery (East Ayrshire) gathered at Birnieknowe for Mass with Bishop Frank. Birnieknowe is the site of the original Our Lady and St Patrick's Church (now in Auchinleck) which was built to serve the mining community which surrounded the church. You can read more about the history of the Birnieknowe in the next edition of the Galloway Diocese News in September. Thank you to everyone who joined for the Mass and to the community for their warm welcome.

FREE TO A GOOD HOME: One of our parishioners is moving into a nursing home and is offering a Riser Recliner in good condition and a large Electric Scooter in good condition free to a good home. If you would be interested in either of these items, please contact Tricia Nelson (mailto:lsanelson@hotmail.com).

APPEAL FOR ALTAR SERVERS FOR ALL PARISHES: If any of the children who recently made their First Holy Communion would like to be altar servers, please speak to Fr Stephen or Fr Kevin. Training will be provided.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process to support and share faith and Catholic teaching with those who are preparing to join the Church. Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church is invited to make themselves known to Fr Stephen or Fr Kevin. Meetings to prepare those who wish to join the church will begin in September. Please also let anyone you may know who is interested in becoming a Catholic. And why not evangelise and ask people you think are curious whether they would come along and find out more about the Catholic faith?

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION OF CHILDREN: Parents of children in primary 4 who will prepare to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion in 2027 are asked to attend a meeting in St Joseph's Church Hall on **Tuesday 1st September at 7 pm**. Attendance at this meeting is important, as is regular attendance at Sunday Mass.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION: This year the Solemnity of the Assumption falls on a Saturday and so is transferred to the Sunday. As a result, Saturday 15th August is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

MASS INTENTIONS: When asking for a Mass to be offered, please indicate on the "Mass Intention" envelope, the name/intention, the preferred date and the church where you would prefer it to be offered. Mass Intention envelopes are available from the stall or the sacristy.

Every effort will be made to offer the Mass in your preferred location and on your preferred date, but this will not always be possible if a Mass intention has already been arranged. Where a Mass is offered for someone who is living, this will be listed as "Special Intention" rather than listing their name to respect the privacy of the individual.

Mass intentions are planned a week in advance: for this reason, it is hoped that you will understand that Masses requested at short notice may have to be offered on another day.

SEASON OF CREATION CONFERENCE: The Bishops' Conference Care of Creation Office invites you to the Season of Creation Conference 2026 on Saturday, 5th September 2026, 10am – 3pm, in Eyre Hall, Archdiocese of Glasgow Offices, Clyde Street, Glasgow, G1 4JY. Our guest speaker will be Lorna Gold, Executive Director of Laudato Si' Movement, and there will be workshops on how to engage young people and parish groups. Please register here: bit.ly/SeasonofCreation26

SPUC DAY CONFERENCE: Takes place in Glasgow on Saturday 19th September. For more information, and to book tickets, please see their website: spuc.org.uk/spuc-national-conference/. Tickets are £25 per person if purchased before the 12th August, or £30 per person thereafter.

HILLHOUSE LADIES AFTERNOON TEA: Hillhouse are having a Ladies Afternoon Tea on Saturday 5th September in the Kay Park Parish Church Hall from 2pm-6pm. All tickets are £15.00 and the price includes an afternoon tea and glass of fizz on arrival. All drinks are £3.50. There will be a fashion show, ladies quiz and lots of fun! For tickets, please call 01563 523362 or email eileen@hillhousehelps.co.uk. Any donations of home baking would also be gratefully received. Thank you!

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

REQUIESCANT IN PACE: We were sorry to hear of the recent deaths of our parishioners Elspeth McNeil and Suzanna (Susan) Wright. We offer our condolences and prayers to their family and friends. Elspeth's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Friday 14th August at 10.00 am. Suzanna's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 18th August at 10.00 am.

PARISH FUN DAY: After Mass today we have our annual Parish Fun Day with a bouncy castle and games for the children, face-painting, home baking, hot rolls and more. All welcome.

CHURCH CLEANING: The next Church cleaning morning takes place on Friday 21st August after Mass. New volunteers are welcome – please speak to Frances Donachie for details. Please note the later date this month due to the funeral this Friday.

HALL HIRE: Did you know that our Church Hall is available for hire for community events, fundraisers and family gatherings? We offer competitive rates for the hire of the hall which are affordable and, by hiring the hall, you're helping to support the parish. For more information or to book the hall, please contact Margaret McGrath.

ST MATTHEW'S PARISH

COMMUNITY LUNCH: The Community Lunch continues today (9th August) at 12.45 pm. Join us for a delicious three course meal provided free of charge. All are welcome. The Community Lunch is funded by donations made to the Community Fund, thank you for your generosity in making this service possible.

ST MATTHEW'S FOODBANK: has changed and increased to providing emergency food to families who drop into the Church on Tuesdays and Thursdays 15.30 till 17.00 hrs. This is a continuation of the service we have provided for callers at the church for over 20 years in supporting those in need. This increase in our help to the needy is supported by our Parishioners and your help is greatly appreciated, we are also regularly supported by SVdP, St Joseph's Academy, St Kentigern's and Kay Park church. If you know of anyone who is struggling, please let us know and with your help we could assist them. We are also considering other ways we can help our communities, schools and families. If you would like to help us please let us know.

Please continue to support through the Community box and also by donating food etc in the box in the foyer of the church as we continue to help and make a difference to families.

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OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

WELCOME: We welcome Fr Philip Kitchen who joins the community for 11.30 am Mass today.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: We were sorry to hear of the recent death of our parishioner Christine McDonald. We offer our condolences and prayers to her family and friends. Christine's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Friday 21st August at 10.00 am.

CAR PARKING: As far as possible, in addition to using the church car park, please use the car park between the church and Onthank Primary to reduce street and pavement parking around the church.

UMBRELLAS: A number of umbrellas have been left in the porch. If you are missing your umbrella, please check in the porch and reclaim yours.

PILGRIMAGES

30TH AUGUST – WHITHORN PILGRIMAGE: The annual National Pilgrimage to Whithorn will take place on Sunday 30th August. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Frank Dougan on the beach at 4 pm, and at the church in Whithorn at 4.45 pm. A coach will travel from St Joseph's for those who wish to take part, although you can also travel independently if you prefer. We're keen to have as many pilgrims as possible at the beach this year and so, if you're free, please do join us – a sign-up sheet is on the noticeboard in the porch. Cost £15 for adults to pay on the day, children free. Stop for fish and chips on journey home – paid separately. Please bring a packed lunch.

Youth Pilgrimage to Whithorn: Alongside the National Pilgrimage, the Diocesan Youth Office will be running an event for young people in P5-S4. For more details and to register see their August newsletter overleaf.

6TH SEPTEMBER – NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN: The National Pilgrimage to Scotland's Marian Shrine

will take place on Sunday 6th September with Mass at 3.00 pm. The principal celebrant will be Archbishop William Nolan of Glasgow. A coach will run from St Joseph's for anyone wishing to participate, leaving at 1 pm. Please add your name to the list in the porch if you wish a place on the coach. Cost £15 for adults to pay on the day, children free.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

SSVP & FOODBANK PROVISION: We are extremely grateful to the Society of St Vincent de Paul who run foodbanks in St Joseph's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, as well as the volunteers who help to run the foodbank in St Matthew's.

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

Foodbanks are available through our parishes on the following days and times. All of our foodbanks are provided free of charge.

Day	Start	Finish	Location
Monday	7.30 pm	8.15 pm	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Tuesday	3.30 pm	5.00 pm	St Matthew's
Wednesday	10.30 am	11.30 pm	St Joseph's Hall
Thursday	3.30 pm	5.00 pm	St Matthew's

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.**

MINISTRY TO YOUNG PEOPLE

SUMMER

15TH AUGUST
11.00 AM - 4.00 PM



SUMMER YOUTH
GATHERING

30TH AUGUST
ALL DAY



WHITHORN YOUTH
PILGRIMAGE



SUMMER YOUTH GATHERING: Join Youth (P5-S4) from across the Diocese as they gather for their Summer Gathering on Saturday 15th August from 11.00 am to 4.00 pm. The day will include a wide range of fun games, including old favourites and a few new ones, two short talks on the theme of the gathering: St Maximilian Kolbe, the patron saint of young people, Mass, and lunch (pizza and BBQ). There's no charge to take part, but if you're coming, please scan the QR code to register!

SPONSORED CYCLE AROUND MILLPORT (GREAT CUMBRAE): Nine young people and five youth leaders successfully completed their sponsored cycle on Thursday. The young people and leaders cycled 10 miles – once around the island – a fantastic achievement especially for two who had very little cycling experience. Meanwhile, Fr Kevin completed 57 of his planned 60 miles (6 circuits), coming up just short of his target, but he was still delighted with the result. **It's not too late to sponsor them and support their fundraising in aid of Galloway's Seoul** – scan the QR code or complete the form in the porch.





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MILLPORT SPONSORED CYCLE: On Thursday (6th August) our fundraising for Galloway's Seoul got off to a flying (or rolling) start as nine young people, accompanied by five youth leaders, cycled around Millport. The young people and leaders completed a circuit of the island – 10 miles – a fantastic accomplishment for the whole group, but especially some of our members who had very limited cycling experience (in one case, it was one of our leaders' second time on a bike!). Meanwhile, Fr Kevin completed almost six full circuits, cycling 57 miles, just slightly shy of his 60 mile target. It was a fantastic day out for the entire group with the young people then enjoying some time in Millport to explore the shops and to experience the Millport Fayre. To date, over £1,200 has been raised in support of our young people's participation in Galloway's Seoul. If you've not had a chance to donate yet, don't worry – you can still donate online to support our efforts! Just scan the QR code or go to our website.

SCAN TO DONATE!



SUMMER YOUTH GATHERING: The 2026 Summer Youth Gathering takes place in St Joseph's Church, Kilmarnock on Saturday 15th August from 11.00 am to 4.00 pm. The day is open to all young people going into P5-S4 and is completely free of charge. Over the course of the day, young people, led by our S3/4 Junior Leaders, will take part in a wide variety of games and activities, as well as hearing two short talks on the theme of the Saints. The day also includes lunch: pizza and a BBQ, and Mass.

Scan the QR code to register and, if it's your first Galloway Youth event, be sure to complete a Consent Form as well. When registering, you'll have the opportunity to book free transport from: Dumfries, Cumnock, Ayr, or Saltcoats.

WHITHORN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE: St Ninian, the patron of our Diocese, landed in Whithorn when he first arrived in Scotland. Each year, the Diocese gathers on the beach by St Ninian's Cave – where Ninian retreated to for prayer – to celebrate Mass.

This year, young people from across the Diocese will travel to Whithorn as part of the pilgrimage. The day will begin in Newton Stewart where we'll enjoy a range of games and activities followed by lunch: pizza, crisps, sweets and juice. After lunch, the coach will take us to near the cave from where we'll walk to the beach. On the beach, we'll hear from Fr Philip Kitchen about the importance of St Ninian before joining Bishop

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SUMMER YOUTH DAY

THE LIVES OF THE SAINTS AND THEIR EXAMPLE TO US!

MASS · GAMES · TALK · ACTIVITIES · BBQ · PIZZA · SOCIAL

SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST 11.00 AM - 4.00 PM

ST JOSEPH'S, KILMARNOCK
FREE TRANSPORT FROM: SALTCOATS, MAYBOLE, AYR AND DUMFRIES.

OPEN TO ALL YOUNG PEOPLE IN P5-S4 IN 2026/2027.

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YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO WHITHORN

Join us for a day of:

- Fun and games in Newton Stewart
- Mass with the Bishop on the Beach
- Lunch: Pizza, Crisps, Sweets, and Juice included.

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST

FREE OF CHARGE P5-S4

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER!
Open to P5-S4 in 2026/2027

Free transport from: Saltcoats, Kilmarnock, Ayr, Maybole, Girvan and Dumfries.

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2027 GALLOWAY'S SEOUL

EXPERIENCE WORLD YOUTH DAY IN GALLOWAY IN 2027

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

SCAN FOR DETAILS

Week includes:

- Outdoor Activities (Canoeing, Paddleboarding, Tree Climbing, Archery Tag and more!)
- Talks, Prayer, and Mass
- All Meals & Accommodation
- Participant's Pack (With lots of goodies and souvenirs!)
- Following events from Seoul online and recreating others at home.

7TH - 11TH AUGUST 2027 - GOWANBANK SU CENTRE P7-S6 (IN SCHOOL YEAR 2027/2028) - £400 PER PERSON

As the form of registration, there is nothing to do with the first payment of £75 due to the September. For full details, scan the QR code or email youth@rcdg.org.uk

Frank for Mass. After Mass we'll have a packed supper on the beach, or at Newton Stewart (weather dependent).

There is no charge to take part however young people are asked to bring a packed supper. Transport is available from: Saltcoats, Kilmarnock, Ayr, Maybole, Girvan, Dumfries, and Kirkcudbright. Scan the QR code to register and remember, if it's your first event, please also complete a Consent Form.

YOUTH EVENINGS RETURN

Our monthly youth evenings resume in September. Until Christmas, we'll be exploring the theme of the Mass: what happens at Mass and what the various parts mean. Over the four months we'll be reflecting on:

27th September – In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit (*The Beginning of the Mass*)

25th October – The Liturgy of the Word

15th November – The Liturgy of the Eucharist

13th December – Living our Faith

As usual, each evening begins with Mass at 5.00 pm, following which we'll continue in the Hall with games and activities – old favourites and a few new ones too – supper (pizza, crisps, sweets, juice), and a short talk on the theme of the evening.

All evenings are **completely free of charge** and there is **no requirement to be Catholic** to take part – any young person is welcome to come along, however all young people have to participate in the faith elements of the evenings.

Whether you're new to Galloway Youth or a regular, we look forward to welcoming you along. If you're coming for the first time, please complete a general consent form by scanning the QR code on the right.



Our evenings take place monthly in: St Teresa's, Dumfries; St Joseph's, Kilmarnock; St Margaret's, Ayr; and St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan.

RESIDENTIAL EVENTS

Looking for something a bit different? Why not join us for one (or both) of our fantastic upcoming residential!

ADVENT YOUTH RETREAT: Registration is now open for the 2026 Advent Youth Retreat. Join us for a weekend of outdoor activities, including: tree climbing, archery, archery tag; arts and crafts, silent disco and lots more! We'll also have times of prayer and discussion on the theme of Advent, Mass, Reconciliation (Confession), and much more!

The retreat takes place at Gowanbank (near Darvel) from Friday 27th – Sunday 29th November. Free transport is provided from Dumfries and Kilmarnock, with leaders available to meet young people from the bus station as well if required. Young people will be in shared rooms with their friends/ young people of a similar age, with boys and girls in separate rooms.

The total cost for the weekend is £160.00, with funding available to support any young person in need or families with more than one young person taking part. For pictures from last year and to register, see our website.

2027 GALLOWAY'S SEOUL: In 2027, Pope Leo will gather with young people from around the world in Seoul, South Korea for World Youth Day. While we cannot travel there from Galloway, we look forward to following the events taking place in Seoul from Gowanbank as we take part in Galloway's Seoul – a five day celebration of World Youth Day taking place at Gowanbank.

From 7th – 11th August 2027, we'll be taking over Gowanbank (near Darvel) to follow the events of World Youth Day. Each day will include: a time of Catechesis (faith learning) led by a visiting priest/ the Bishop, Mass, outdoor activities, including: canoeing, hillwalking, tree climbing, archery tag, and more; all meals, and times of prayer and discussion. The whole event is being organised and led by the Galloway Youth Office team and so young people will already know the leaders from other events.

The week costs £400 per person, which includes all activities, meals, supervision, and transport (from Kilmarnock/ Dumfries). It's open to anyone going into P6–S5 this year (P7–S6 at the time of the event). We recognise that today the cost of living is expensive and so, to support young people in taking part, we have grants and bursaries available, as well as having bimonthly fundraising events – more details to follow.

Do you want to take part? Scan the QR code to find out more information and to register.

YOUNG ADULTS EVENINGS

Our monthly Young Adults' evenings resume on Sunday 13th September when our Youth Chaplain, Fr Kevin Rennie, will be speaking on the theme of "*Life and Death: What do we believe?*". The evening will focus on many of the challenges to life faced in society today and look at the Church's teaching on these issues. All young adults are invited to join.

The evening takes place in St Joseph's, Kilmarnock, and begins with Adoration at 6.00 pm following which Fr Kevin will speak in the hall. Don't live in East Ayrshire but want to take part? **Online participation** is available to any young adults from outside of East Ayrshire, to register to follow online, go to our website and click on 'Young Adults – Online Participation'.

SUPPORT OUR WORK

JOIN THE 200 CLUB: Join the 40+ members who've already become part of the Youth Office 200 Club and help support our work while being in with a chance of winning cash prizes. For only £5 per month you can join the Youth Office's 200 Club and be in with a chance to win monthly cash prizes: 20%, 10% and 2 x 5% of that month's draw. Join the growing number of people from across the Diocese and beyond who are helping support our work, and taking home cash prizes at the same time. For details, and to register, go to: youth.rcdg.org.uk/200-club or email us for a registration form.

The winning numbers from the June draw: 1st – 39, 2nd – 32, 3rd & 4th – 48 & 30. All winners have been contacted.



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JOIN OUR...

200 CLUB

and help support Youth and Young Adults ministry in Galloway.

£5 per month

Cash Prizes to be won!

(20%, 10% & 2 x 5% of the Total Income)

Go to youth.rcdg.org.uk to register today and help support Youth Ministry in Galloway.

The Youth Office is licensed to operate a 200 Club under license no SAC/298.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Summer Youth Gathering – Saturday 15th August, 11.00 am – 4.00 pm (*St Joseph's*)
- Whithorn Pilgrimage – Sunday 30th August – Mass on the beach at 4 pm and in the town at 4.45 pm
- P4 Parents' Meeting for First Communion – Tuesday 1st September – 7.00 pm (*St Joseph's – for all parishes*)
 - Minibus Trip – Monday 7th September (*Open to all*)
- Fellowship of Kilmarnock Churches service – Sunday 20th September at 3.00 pm (*Our Lady of Mount Carmel*)
 - Ecuador Walk from Kilmarnock to Troon – Sunday 27th September (*details to follow*)

MINISTRY ROTAS FOR THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK

	Readers (1st, 2nd, Intercessions)	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Sunday Teas	Children's Liturgy	Welcomers	Bidding Prayers
Saturday 8 August St Joseph's 6pm	M Kirk, A McCluskey, F Donachie	L Rankin, G Rankin, Sr Mabel, Sr Juliet, R Chojeta	Joseph, Luca, Ryan, Antoni, Ravindu, Lexi			Clare, Margaret	Marie Wilkie
Sunday 9 August St Matthew's 9.30 am	F Boyle, G Coyle, C Brown	R: Sister, A Gillion L: N McKenna, F Stacey, P Brown	Luca, David, Rebecca		-		
Sunday 9 August St Joseph's 11 am	H Matthews, F McCann, L Hand	A Neil, J Shields, M Walker, D Custodio, P Dorrian	Ryan, Luca, Mark, Rachel, Gabo, Jason, Marilyn, Kamili, Bianca, Jude	-	-	Alan, Theresa	
Sunday 9 August OLMC 11.30 am	Donna Shearer, Agnes Starrs	C Harper, J Hefron, L Hefron	Jessica, Farrah, Katie, Aaron, Akunna, Raphael	Suzy	-	G Rannochan, C McGuire	
Saturday 15 August St Joseph's 6pm	K McGhee, H Ramecker, A Davidson	M Steele, F Donachie, M McGrath, A Gorman, C McGowan	Joseph, Luca, Ryan, Antoni, Ravindu, Lexi			Kathleen, Frances	Sisters of the Immaculate Heart
Sunday 16 August St Matthew's 9.30 am	M Merrick, K Ainsworth, A Gillion	R: A M Gilmour, M Gordon L: M Bradley, C Stacey, M Thomson	Luca, David, Rebecca		-		
Sunday 16 August St Joseph's 11 am	R Doak, M Cunningham, T Murphy	P Chigbo, E Cunningham, H Matthews, L Dorrian, I Love	Ryan, Luca, Mark, Rachel, Gabo, Jason, Marilyn, Kamili, Bianca, Jude	-	-	Paul, Libby	
Sunday 16 August OLMC 11.30 am	M Smith, M Wilkie	S Hollywood, C Lamberth, J McCrossan	Jessica, Farrah, Katie, Aaron, Akunna, Raphael	Suzy	-	Charlie Harper, Marie Wilkie	

Useful Contacts

	Hall bookings	Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinators
St Joseph's	Margaret McGrath (01563 542130)	Margaret McGrath (margaret.mcgrath@rcdg.org.uk)
Our Lady of Mount Carmel		Alice Brown (alice.brown@rcdg.org.uk) Charles Harper (charles.harper@rcdg.org.uk)
St Matthew's	Margaret Merrick (07765 715798)	Vacant
Crosshouse and Ayr Hospitals: In emergencies ask hospital staff to page the on-call priest. For regular visiting: <i>Crosshouse Hospital:</i> Fr Stephen McGrattan (stephen.mcgrattan@rcdg.org.uk or 01563 521832) <i>Ayr Hospital:</i> 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		

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Collections for Sunday 2nd August

St Joseph's	Standing orders: £887.25. Weekly collection: £1,384.37. Building Fund: £45.00. Peter's Pence: £15.00. Apostolate of Life: £5.00. July Income: £ 11,742.54. July Expenditure: £ 29,009.21.
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Standing orders: £344.50. Weekly collection: £605.25. Building Fund: £10.00. Peter's Pence: £40.00. SSVP: £140.44. July Income: £ 4,204.57. July Expenditure: £ 4,461.70.
St Matthew's	Standing orders: £554.50. Weekly collection: £282.82. Building Fund: £30.00. Community Box: £95.00. Ecuador Trust: £10.12. July Income: £ 5,005.26. July Expenditure: £ 5,183.95.

Income & Expenditure note: St Joseph's – In July, a new boiler was installed in the church, costing £17,117.

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