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Mass times

Monday to Friday	10 am
Saturday Vigil Mass	6 pm
Sunday	10 am & 12 noon

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Friday	9:00 -9:45 am
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Confessions

Tuesday and Thursday	9:20 am
Saturday	5:20 pm

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time C.

Sunday, 9th of August, 2025.

1st Reading: Wis. 18: 6-9

By the same means by which you punished our enemies, you called us to yourself and glorified us.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33

Blessed the People whom the Lord has chosen as his heritage.

2nd Reading: Heb. 11: 2, 8-19

He was looking forward to the city whose designer and builder is God.

Gospel: Luke 12: 32-48

You also must be ready.

Reflection: Faith: Taking the Next Step

A few days ago, I was in Edinburgh for the feast of St. Dominic at the Priory of St. Albert, the Dominican chaplaincy within the University of Edinburgh. What struck me most was not the liturgy alone, but the fraternity I witnessed. Friars from different countries and cultures, backgrounds, some meeting for the very first time, yet speaking, celebrating, laughing, and sharing as though they had been lifelong companions. The word “Brothers” or “Friars” was not just a title. It was a reality I could see and touch.

This is what faith does. It draws strangers into family, it makes unity possible where there are differences, and it builds trust where there was once distance. When Dominic began his mission, he didn’t know how far it would go. He couldn’t see the world map coloured with Dominican communities. All he knew was the next step: to preach the Gospel where he was, with the gifts he had, and with the brothers God had given him. That’s all.

As Hebrews 11:8 says, *By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.* Faith is not having the whole plan. Faith is saying “yes” to the next step God shows you. Abraham stepped into the unknown. Dominic stepped into the unknown. You and I are called to do the same. God doesn’t always give us the whole picture. In fact, most of the time, He doesn’t, because faith grows in movement, not in certainty. If He showed you the full path, you might not need to trust Him. You might even be discouraged when we see the road laced with thorns, thistles and brambles representing life’s obstacles.

Here’s the challenge for us: Can you take that next step God is asking of you, even if you don’t see the end? Can you trust Him enough to obey, even when the outcome is hidden? That Dominican community I visited in Edinburgh didn’t just happen. It was the fruit of many people saying

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“yes” to small steps: showing up, opening their hearts, sharing a meal, offering a smile. That’s how the fire spreads: one faithful step at a time.

Today, let’s not wait until we see the whole staircase. Let’s take the first step, trusting that the God who was faithful to Abraham, to Dominic, and to countless believers before us, will also be faithful to us.

Hymns for Sunday

Entrance: I. The Lord of Sea and Sky	No. 376
Offertory: In Bread we bring you Lord	No. 362
Communion 1: I am the Bread of Life	No. 349
Recession: Be Thou my vision	No. 168

Memorial: *St. Clare (Monday), St. Maximillian Kolbe (Thursday)*
Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Friday: Holy Day of Obligation). *Vigil Mass is at 7 pm, Thursday evening.*

Sick List: Let's remember to pray for Paula Carsan, Jacob Eamon Lenon Walker, Elaine McLean.

Deaths: Margaret Murphy, Sybil Mitchell, Kris Adams, Isabel Conroy, Laurie McElroy

Anniversary: Elizabeth Egan, Elizabeth Cairns, Danny McKay

Bring Mary into Your Home: The Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary is still moving from home to home in our parish community. This is a beautiful way to honour Our Lady and invite her loving presence into your household. We encourage all families and individuals to take part in this devotion. Hosting the statue for a week provides a special time for prayer, reflection, and unity as a family under Mary's care.

✂ The rota is available on the **parish notice board**.
Kindly sign up to welcome Our Lady into your home. Let us, like the beloved disciple, take Mary into our homes (*John 19:27*) and ask her powerful intercession for our families, our parish, and the world.

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Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us.

Collections for 03/08/2025

Offertory: £478.89

Gift Aid envelopes: £495 Thank you for your generosity.

St Andrew’s Cathedral Choir: St Andrew’s Cathedral Choir is looking for new members for this session. Full information regarding commitment, times and details are available by scanning this QR Code.



The Apostolate of the Queenship of Our Lady: The annual Mass for the Apostolate of the Queenship of Our Lady will be held in St Anthony's RC Church, Mar Gardens, Rutherglen, G73 5JE. The celebration will take place on Friday 22nd August 2025, the feast of the Queenship of Mary, and will commence with the Rosary at 7:00pm and Mass at 7:30pm. This worldwide apostolate was established in 1954 to make Mary better known and better loved in our hearts, in our homes and in our families through encouraging the faithful to enthrone Mary Immaculate Queen in their homes and this continues today. More info at miq.scotland@gmail.com

St Bartholomew’s 70th Anniversary: This year is the 70th Anniversary of the Founding of St Bartholomew’s Parish (Castlemilk). The Occasion will be celebrated with a visit from Archbishop Nolan at 11.30am Mass on Sunday 24 August (the normal Feast of St Bartholomew).