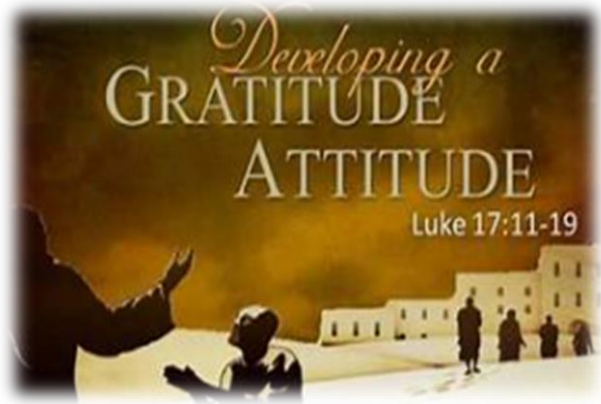


ST MATTHEW'S FAMILY PARISH

MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH



The Thankful Leper

12TH OCTOBER 2025

READINGS:

FIRST – 2 KINGS 5: 14-17

PSALM – 98 (97)

“THE LORD HAS SHOWN HIS SALVATION TO THE NATIONS”

SECOND – 2 TM 2: 8-13

GOSPEL – LUKE 17: 11-19

MASS TIMES & CONFESSIONS

Sunday Masses : Vigil 5:30pm, 9:30am and 11:00am.

Holiday of Obligation Masses : Vigil 6pm and 10:00am.

Weekday Masses : Monday to Friday, 10:00am.

Daily Adoration : Monday to Friday 9:30 am. (Confessions on request during adoration).

Confessions : Friday after 10:00am Mass and 5:00pm before Vigil mass.

Parish Clergy: Fr. Mpagi Alex KISASA, Parish Administrator, Rev. Deacon Anthony Murphy

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Items for inclusion in the newsletter can be sent to: newsletterstmatthews@gmail.com

Items **must** be received **before** the **Friday** prior to publication!

28th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Monday 13th	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday 14th	Weekday in Ordinary Time / Saint Callistus, Pope, Martyr
Wednesday 15th	St Teresa of Avila, Virgin, Doctor
Thursday 16th	Weekday in Ordinary Time / St Hedwig / St Margaret Mary Alaoque
Friday 17th	St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr
Saturday 18th	St Luke, Evangelist

DAILY ADORATION

This takes place prior to the weekday masses at 9.30am. Volunteers to lead Morning Prayer and/or Rosary are invited. The Sacrament of confession is available at request during adoration.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy is open to children of all ages. Thank you to all our parents who bring their children to mass.

If you are able to help please contact Jennifer McPherson on 07748 707842. Thank you!

PARISH LOTTERY

New members are most welcome.

If you wish to join the Lottery, please complete the form at the back of the church or contact John Feechan on 07526 335497

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS....

We are looking for volunteers to join with the singing or musicians to play during our daily and weekend masses. No previous experience necessary, just bring along your enthusiasm!!

Please contact Vincent on 07495999233 or email stmatthew@rcag.org.uk.

ANNUAL SAFEGUARDING ANNOUNCEMENT from ARCHBISHOP NOLAN...

Would like to remind us of our obligation to make our parish communities safe, and welcoming places! This is, in part, how we live out the gospel. He wants to extend his thanks to everyone in the parish taking part in this, with a particular mention to our Clergy, Parish Safeguarding Coordinator(s), group leaders, and volunteers; as we work together to ensure that our people, places and activities are safe. Whilst statutory procedures such as PVG checks are an essential and mandatory part of our protocols, adopting a culture of care is equally important – being vigilant, looking out for each other, and passing on concerns. Full details of safeguarding can be found on the Archdiocese website.

DIVINE MERCY

Let's pray the **3 O'Clock** prayer and The Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Souls who spread the honour of My Mercy I shield through their entire lives as a tender mother her infant, and at the hour of death I will not be a Judge for them, but the Merciful Saviour (Diary 1075). This is what the Lord Jesus promised to everyone who will proclaim His Mercy, spread its honour in any way. 🙏🙏🙏

Anyone interested in leading the Divine Mercy Devotion in our parish, please see Fr Alex. Thank you!

FORMED

Run by the Archdiocesan Youth Office, FORMED gives young people in S1–S6 the opportunity to meet monthly and explore their faith in relationship with Jesus, the Church, and one another through engaging activities, inspiring teachings, times of prayer, and small groups with their peers! To find out more and to register, visit: www.rcagyouth.co.uk

MASS FOR VOCATIONS

The monthly Mass for Vocations at the Little Sisters of the Poor, St Joseph's, Robroyston, will take place on **Monday 13th October 2025**, in St. Joseph's Chapel, at **7pm**.

Please come along and join with us in praying for vocations. Tea/coffee will be served after Mass.

PAUSE FOR HOPE

An Ecumenical Service for all people affected by Cancer. **Sunday 26th October at 4pm** in Croftfoot United Free Church, 349 Carmunnock Road, G44 5HH.

Reflection by Rev. Leslie Edge, Chaplain to the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice.

You will hear of the work of the Hospice and a collection will be taken up for the vital work of the Hospice. You will have the opportunity to light a candle and leave a prayer intention for yourself or people you know who have been affected by cancer. Please join us for refreshments, information and chat afterwards. All Welcome!

SAVE THE DATE FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026.

Our Primary 4 pupils will receive the Sacrament of the Most Blessed Eucharist on the **9th of May 2026** at both **10 am** Mass and **12 O'clock** Mass respectively. Let us continue to accompany them with our earnest prayers.

A RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT...

for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Glasgow on Monday, 27th to Wednesday 29th October. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call/text Sr. Andrea on 07816 942824 or email at sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk. For more details, see www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk

CENTENARY MASS IN HONOUR OF VENERABLE MATT TALBOT

You are warmly invited to join us for a special Mass to celebrate the life and legacy of Venerable Matt Talbot, a man of faith, prayer, and hope. Saturday, 25th October 2025 at 1:00pm in St Andrew's Cathedral, 196 Clyde St, Glasgow G1 4JY. Celebrant: Archbishop William Nolan. This celebration also gives thanks for the work of the Talbot Association, which since 1970 has faithfully served the homeless and vulnerable in Glasgow. Together we honour Matt Talbot's witness, pray for those struggling with addiction, and recognise the ongoing mission of compassion and service inspired by his example.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

The Glasgow Service of Communion of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal invites you for a weekend Charisms retreat. It is an opportunity for a deeper awareness of Charisms. Come and join us for a time of praise, talks and fellowship. Venue: 3/1 Victoria Chambers, 142 West Nile Street, Glasgow G1 2RQ. Guest Speakers: Thomas Paul. Saturday 25th Oct: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm; Sunday 26th Oct: 1:00 pm - 5:30 pm. Tea and Coffee provided. Bring a packed lunch on Saturday. For more information phone: Minin 07448786569 Email: glasgow.service.team@gmail.com

MILL HILL MISSIONARIES...

St Joseph's House, 30 Lourdes Ave G52 3QU. Saturday 18 October 2025 10.30am - 4.00pm. In preparation for Mission Sunday, we will reflect on our common calling to spread the Gospel. Theme: Jesus' Mission, our Mission is to offer hope, to bring liberty to as many as possible. Speakers: Fr Tim Greenway MHM. (just back from India) and Sr. Sally Hyland SSJG. Please turn up for this day, when we reflect on our Christian calling to spread the Joy of the Gospel.

PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE DEAF COMMUNITY

Weekly signed mass is in St Aloysius Church in Garnethill, Sundays at 10am, followed by tea and toast. Also available in St Aloysius Church in Milton, Sundays at 12 noon, followed by tea and biscuits. Both churches offer signed confessions on request. More information on other events can be found at www.catholicdeafglasgow.org or www.rcag.org.uk/evangelisation/deaf-community

PRO-LIFE MASS

The monthly Pro-Life Mass will take place on Wednesday, 15th October at 7.30pm at Holy Cross, 113 Dixon Ave, G42 8ER. Adoration begins at 6.15pm. Tea in the hall afterwards – all welcome. The celebrant will be Canon Gerard Conroy.

NATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY TO END IMMIGRATION DETENTION

Glasgow Solidarity Event: Saturday 18th October | 2:00–3:30pm, Refuweegee Office, 24 George Square, Glasgow, G2 1EG. Join Justice & Peace Scotland, Scottish Detainee Visitors, and Glasgow Solidarity Stall for a community event marking the National Day of Solidarity to End Immigration Detention. There will be short talks from each organisation, including speakers with lived experience of detention, and opportunities to learn how to get more involved in challenging this undignified and inhumane system. We must come together to stop detention expansion, end immigration detention and build an alternative world of care and safety. We'll be writing messages of solidarity to people in detention and prepare letters to MPs calling for change. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Free event but please register here to help us plan numbers: Select tickets – National Day of Solidarity to End Immigration Detention: Glasgow event – c/o Refuweegee, 24 George Square, Glasgow

PRAY FOR GAZA

We pray....

God of peace and justice,

We pray for the people of the Holy Land:

Israeli and Palestinian, Jew, Christian and Muslim.

We pray for an end to acts of violence and terror.

We lift to you all who are fearful and hurting.

We ask for wisdom and compassion for those in leadership.

Above all, we ask that Jesus the Prince of Peace,

Establish lasting reconciliation and justice for the Holy Land and all nations. Amen

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Raymond Stewart, Claire Williams, Louise Franklin, Barry Pottle, Jim Docherty, Gary Jones, Jack Cassidy, Catherine Boyle, Louise Franklin, Patricia Miller, Gilbert Reilly, John McCormick, Beatrice Hannah, Thomas Robertson and for all our sick parishioners, friends and relatives who are in Hospital and Care Homes and we Pray especially for babies who are sick!

We pray for all their families for hope and strength.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the following:

RECENT DEAD

Robert 'Bob' Kelly, Lavina Mulqueen, Ellen Carraghen, Jim McKenna, Patrick Hanlon, Cathy McKeown, Ray Lynch, James McGuinness, Brian Murphy, Alex McMullan.

ANNIVERSARY

Rena Hurrell, Mary McKenna, John Abercromby, Cathie Nicol, Tony Nicol, William & Mary Deasy, Daniel & Grace Canning, Patrick & Maria Roper, Patrick Roper Jnr, James & Clara Dourish, Ian & Colin McIntosh.

PARISH FUNERALS

Lavina Mulqueen on Thursday 16th October Mass at 10am

+Requiescant in pace+

THANK YOU

To all our parishioners who continually support our bereaved families throughout the year. Your prayers and attendance at our funeral masses is unwavering and greatly appreciated.

FURTHER INFORMATION & ADDITIONAL NOTICES

Can be found on the Parish Website : <https://stmatthewsbishopbriggs.co.uk/> or our Facebook page : <https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewsbishopbriggs/>