

# ST MATTHEW'S FAMILY PARISH

## MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH



*Deane PP. XIV  
8 maggio 2025*



**1st JUNE 2025**

**7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**READINGS:**

**FIRST – ACTS 7 : 55-60**

**PSALM – 97 (96)**

**“THE LORD IS KING, MOST HIGH ABOVE ALL THE EARTH”**

**SECOND – RV 22 : 12-14, 16-17, 20**

**GOSPEL – JN 17: 20-26**

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**Items for inclusion in the newsletter** can be sent to: [newsletterstmatthews@gmail.com](mailto:newsletterstmatthews@gmail.com)

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

## DETAILS OF 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.

## 7th SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Weekday in Eastertide/ Saint Marcellinus and Saint Peter, martyrs
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Saint Charles Lwanga and companions, martyrs
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Weekday in Eastertide
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Saint Boniface, bishop and martyr
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Weekday in Eastertide / Saint Norbert, bishop
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Saturday in Eastertide

## 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



Our 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

## SUNDAY CAFÉ & FRIDAY CAFÉ



The **Sunday Café** will be open after **11am** Mass in the Church Hall, and also now on every **Friday after 10am Mass**.

**Many thanks** to all the ladies and men who generously assist with preparing coffee/tea for all of us!

## MINISTERS OF THE WORD (READERS) AND MINISTERS OF COMMUNION



Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting on Tuesday evening. It was great to see so many of you there.



## MARRIAGE

For all couples marrying in 2025, the one day marriage preparation course is 6<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at Our Lady of Good Counsel. Please email for a registration form. [stmatthew@rcag.org.uk](mailto:stmatthew@rcag.org.uk)

## BAPTISM

If you are wishing to have your child baptised, please see Fr Alex after any mass for the form and to book a date. All parents need to attend the Baptismal Preparation Course beforehand.

## MASS FOR VOCATIONS

The monthly Mass for Vocations at the Little Sisters of the Poor, St Joseph's, Robroyston, will take place on **Monday 2nd June** 2025, in St. Joseph's Chapel, at **7pm**. Please come along and join with us in praying for vocations. Tea/coffee will be served in the cafe following Mass.

This is the final Mass for Vocations before the summer break. We will resume again in September.

### BEAVERS & SCOUTS

Please note that the Beavers and Scouts will no longer be using our church hall.

### PARISH COLLECTIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> March : First collection - £1,158.48  
Second collection - £613.77

WEE BOXES : £933.93

Thank you for your continued generosity. This Sunday the second collection will be for Communications.

### PARISH LOTTERY

The **May** Lottery Winners were:

Draw One	1100	Noreen Walsh	£183
Draw Two	1133	Margaret Berrie	£183
Draw Three	1094	Patricia Scott	£ 91.50

Next draw is due to take place on Sunday **29th of June**. The Lottery has raised over £114,000.

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

### FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS



Our Italian Night of music and 3 course meal will be the 20<sup>th</sup> June. BYOB. Tickets £15.  
Please put your name on the sheet at the back of the church.

### JUBILEE OF HOPE

Day Retreat on Saturday 7 June, 11am- 3pm at St Bartholomew's Church Building, Hall & Grounds (Theme will be "Hope") and then Saturday, 14 June, 11am- 3pm at St Margaret Mary's Church Building, Hall and Grounds (Theme: "Sacred Heart of Jesus." Both will be led by a Priest from the Congregation: "Sons of Mary, Mother of Mercy." Bring your own Packed Lunch (Tea, Coffee & Juice Provided)

### EVENINGS OF REFLECTION IN PERSON AT THE ISC

Dates: 28 August and 13 November: time 6.30 -8.30pm. Venue: Ignatian Spirituality centre, 35 Scott St, Glasgow, G3 6PE. As we move through the seasons there is a natural sense of change in the air. In a time of personal change and transition and often before concrete plans emerge as John O'Donohue puts it "your soul senses the world that awaits you". This is an evening giving an opportunity to reflect on God's constant call to newness and growth. If you are able to make a donation on the night that would be most welcome, however please do not let finance stop you from coming along!

### CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEEDS

The annual Mass for Catholic children with additional support needs will be celebrated by Archbishop Nolan at St Andrew's Cathedral on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** at 5:15pm. All welcome!

### SCOTTISH CATHOLIC THEOLOGY FORUM CONFERENCE

The Archdiocesan Offices, 196 Clyde Street, G1 4JY. **Saturday 14th June 11am – 3.30pm**. This year's conference will consider how we get to a theology of synodality, explore women's perspectives, and reflect on synodality as a mark of the church. It will be highly participative. Come and join the conversation!

Booking: Eventbrite.<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/scottish-catholictheology-forum-conference-2025-tickets-1338389532119?aff=oddttdtcreator>. Tickets cost £15, non - waged £10.

Lunch: There are many food outlets nearby or bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee available.

### SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like Fr Alex to visit them, please speak to Father or send an email to [stmatthew@rcag.org.uk](mailto:stmatthew@rcag.org.uk) or phone the presbytery on 0141 772 1619 with their details.

### **SUPPORT GROUP FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN AFFECTED BY SEPARATION AND DIVORCE**

The next meetings of our support group for women affected by separation and divorce is **Friday, 27th June**, in The Immaculate Conception Church Hall, Maryhill, from **6.00pm to 8.00pm**. New members are welcome to this confidential support group, run by women who have come through this experience. The group is delighted to welcome women from across the Archdiocese whether they experienced this 30 years ago or more recently.

For further information email: [archdioceseofglasgowwomen@gmail.com](mailto:archdioceseofglasgowwomen@gmail.com) We have a variety of ways that women can reach out before the meeting: Twitter: @GAWomenSupport Facebook: Faith Living (Archdioceses of Glasgow)

### **Scottish Catholic Historical Association**

We are organising a one-day conference on heritage, change and Church buildings in Scotland. The event is set for **June 7<sup>th</sup>** at the **Ramshorn Theatre at Strathclyde University**. The link below will take you to the Eventbrite page and sign up. The ticket includes lunch.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ecclesiastical-buildings-in-scotland-culture-heritage-memory-tickets-1315904839799?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

**Pre-Pilgrimage Mass Lourdes 2025:** The Pre-Pilgrimage Mass will take place in St Andrew's Cathedral, Clyde Street on **6<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 3pm**. Refreshments will be available in the Eyre Hall afterward, giving you the opportunity to catch up or meet new friends before our departure to Lourdes.

### **BISHOPBRIGGS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Thank you to everyone who came along to the Community Day on Saturday 17th May, and to all the helpers.**

The results of the friendly BCC Community Netball Tournament, in which all six local primaries took part on 9th May are:

1. St. Matthew's Primary - GOLD
2. Wester Cleddens Primary - SILVER
3. St. Helen's Primary BRONZE

All six teams were of a very high standard.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Catherine Gray, Baby Brodie, John McCormick, Teddy Taylor, Beatrice Hannah, Thomas Robertson, and for all our sick parishioners, friends, relatives who are in hospital and care homes and we Pray especially for babies who are sick! We pray for their families for hope and strength.

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

#### **RECENT DEAD**

Adriano Benassi, Michael Henry, Billy Cairns, Andy McGhee, Jackie Calderwood, Gary Long, Irene Nairn, Anne Ray, Brian Reilly, Martin Haldane, Tommy Connelly, Maureen Scott, David Miller, Mary Johnstone, Anne Marie Ugarte, Maureen Walsh, George Mills, William Boyle, Maureen Walsh, Michael Henry, Cora Magtanong, Michael McGuane and Martin Haldane.

#### **ANNIVERSARY**

Anne Baxter, Joseph Constantine, Johanna O'Connor, William McKenna, Samuel Forrest, Hugh Page, Hugh Mulqueen, Neil Duffy, Mary Kirkbride, Kevin Malia, Mary Brady, John Mackintosh, Margaret Gibbons, Ronnie Rotchford, Ian McIntosh, Colin McIntosh, Emerenciana Dizon, Santos Dizon, Delia Peralta, Fortunato Peralta, Margaret Muir, Cathie & Jack Dempsey, Thomas Boyle, Thomas Deeney and Charles McAuley.

*+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/>