ST MATTHEW'S FAMILY PARISH MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH



27TH OCTOBER 2024 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS: FIRST — JEREMIAH 31:7-9; PSALM 125(126); SECOND — HEBREWS 5:1-6; GOSPEL: MARK 10:46-52 "WHAT MARVELS THE LORD WORKED FOR US! INDEED WE ARE GLAD."

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Items must be received before the Friday prior to publication.

DETAILS OF MASS TIMES & CONFESSIONS

Sunday Masses: Vigil 5:30pm, 9:30 am and 11.00am. Holiday of Obligation Masses: Vigil 6pm and 10.00 am.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday, 10.00am.

Daily Adoration: Monday to Friday 9.30 am. (Confessions on request during adoration).

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

28th WEEK OF THE YEAR

Monday 28 th October	St Simon and Jude, Apostles - Feast
Tuesday 29 th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday 30 th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Thursday 31st October	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Friday 1 st November	All Saints – Solemnity –Holy Day of Obligation – Masses as above
Saturday 2 nd November	All Souls

WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S

A warm welcome to all visitors and friends this weekend, feel spiritually at home!

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS - HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION

Vigil Mass will be at 6pm on 31st October and 10am Mass on the 1st of November, you are all welcome and Happy All Saints' Feast day!

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.

LOURDES WATER SERVICE/CEREMONY



Our healing service with Lourdes Water will take place on Wednesday the 30^{th} October at 7pm. All welcome!

40 HOURS OF ADORATION



Thank you to everyone who came and spent time with the Lord and our volunteers during this special time.

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

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE - CHANGE OF DATE!!

Next years (2025) Pilgrimage is now on 16th to 23th July.

SUNDAY CAFÉ & FRIDAY CAFÉ



The Sunday Café will be open after 11.00am Mass in the Church Hall, and also now on every **Friday after 10 am Mass**. More volunteers are needed at both cafés. Many thanks to all the ladies and men who generously assist with preparing coffee/tea for all of us!

CONFIRMATIONS 2024

Confirmations will take place on Tuesday 12th November 2024 @7pm.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

13th October : First collection - £1,192.16; Second collection - £656.97

Thank you for your continued generosity.

This Sunday (27th October) the second collection will be for Mission Scotland.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

For all couples marrying in 2025, the one day marriage preparation course dates to choose from are: 1 Feb 2025, 1 March 2025, 7 June 2025 or 6 September 2025.

The course will be held in Our Lady of Good Counsel parish hall. Registration will be from 9.45am – 10.00am, with the day concluding no later than 4.00pm. The registration forms are available from the secure page on the RCAG website.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Fiona & Michael Murphy upon your 48th wedding anniversary, may you see more blessings and years together! (Matthew 19:16)

PARISH LOTTERY

Cumulative raised for Church Renovation Fund over £107,300. Next draw due to take place on Sunday 27th of October. New members are always most welcome, please contact John Feechan on 07526 335497 for joining details, or complete form available at the back of the church.

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Do you know anyone wishing to become a Catholic or interested in the Catholic Faith? Please speak/call to Fr Alex (0141 7721619) or Michael Murphy (07789328828)

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Glasgow North 1st to 3rd November. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more info, call/text Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or email sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk

THANK YOU...



Special thanks to the two beautiful souls, grandfather and grandson, who erected a long-desired cross against the wall outside our church....it's a tool of evangelisation....God Bless.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS

The Union of Catholic Mothers of the Archdiocese of Glasgow will be organising a Holy Hour for Vocations in St Andrew's Cathedral on Saturday 9th November 2024 at 11.30am. Please join us in praying for vocations for our Archdiocese. Father Paddy Boyle, Vocations Director, will deliver a talk on vocations as part of this event. All welcome.

NOVEMBER LISTS

It is an opportunity for us to remember and pray for our beloved departed. The envelopes and lists are at the back, fill them up and put them in the envelopes together with the stipend and drop them in the box at the back of the church. RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

James Coll, Fr. Dermot Healy, and Margaret Church. And for all our sick parishioners, friends, relatives who are in hospital and care homes!

RECENT DEAD: RIP

Please pray for the following:

Tommy Callaghan, Paul Renfrew, Patrick Donnelly, George Gallacher, Fr.Billy Donnelly, Sr. Margaret McCulloch, Moira Mooney, James Greer, Brendan McMullan, Hugh McGreechin, Eileen Reilly, Alex McGrory, William Connelly, John Mallan,.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the following:

Eddie McDaid, Ricky Gourlay, Gerard Andrew Evans, Catriona (Tina) Boyle, John Abercromby, Theresa Deeny, Joe Riches, Jackie Kane, Jim Flynn, Rena Hurrel, Catherine McCulloch.

PARISH FUNERALS

Elizabeth (Betty) Gardner - Mass on Wednesday the 6th November 2024.

MASS IN HONOUR OF THOSE WHO DIED

There will be a Mass at <u>7pm</u> on Monday 11th November in honour and remembrance of all those who died between November 20023 and November 2024. Letters of invitation will be sent to the bereaved families.

MASS FOR THOSE WHO DIED DURING COVID

A mass will be offered at 7pm on Monday 18th November on honour of those who died during Covid time. Please drop their names in the box at the back of the church before Sunday 10th November, so that we can inscribe their names on the candles and family members and friends are invited to join in this Mass. Thanks.

THANK YOU

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

NEWSLETTER – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Can you help to produce the newsletter? If you have a basic knowledge of word processing and have a couple of hours available on Saturday morning, you could be the person we are looking for! At the moment our team is a bit depleted and we could do with extra help. Don't worry, we will support you until you get the hang of it. Contact Fr Alex, Colin Ely (0771 267 5233) or Anne Marie McDaid (230 9943) or email newsletterstmatthews@gmail.com

FURTHER INFORMATION & ADDITIONAL NOTICES

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

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT EVANGELISATION CONFERENCE

Join with the Youth office and special guests in the Archdiocesan Offices (G1 4JY) on Sat 16th Nov, 0930 – 1600 for a conference focussed on evangelising youth and young adults. It is set to be inspiring and practical with inputs, panel discussions, workshops exploring 6 different resources and the opportunity to network with others. https://rcagyouth.eventbrite.com

RCAG YOUNG ADULT SESSIONS

A retreat Afternoon - 'The Eucharist: Source & Summit' - on Saturday 9th November from 1 - 4pm at 196 Clyde Street, G1 4JY. Join us for a retreat experience focussed on how the Eucharist impacts our life. This is a great opportunity to gather with other young adults and delve into prayer. More info and sign up: www.tinyurl.com/rcagyasessions

ST JOSEPH'S CARE HOME CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 23rd November, 1:30pm – 4:30pm. Admission £5, includes tea and cake. Children under 12 go free. Lots of Christmas stalls and even a visit from Santa – if you are very good! All welcome.

BISHOPBRIGGS CHURCHES TOGETHER – CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The annual Christmas Concert "Rejoice and Sing" will take place in the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall on Monday 23rd December.

Full details including ticket prices, transport, etc., are on the poster at the back of the Church, or from the Bishopbriggs Box Office, Cadder Church South Hall, Bishopbriggs (Wednesday & Friday, 10.00am to 12.00noon or by emailing scfc7954@gmail.com.

