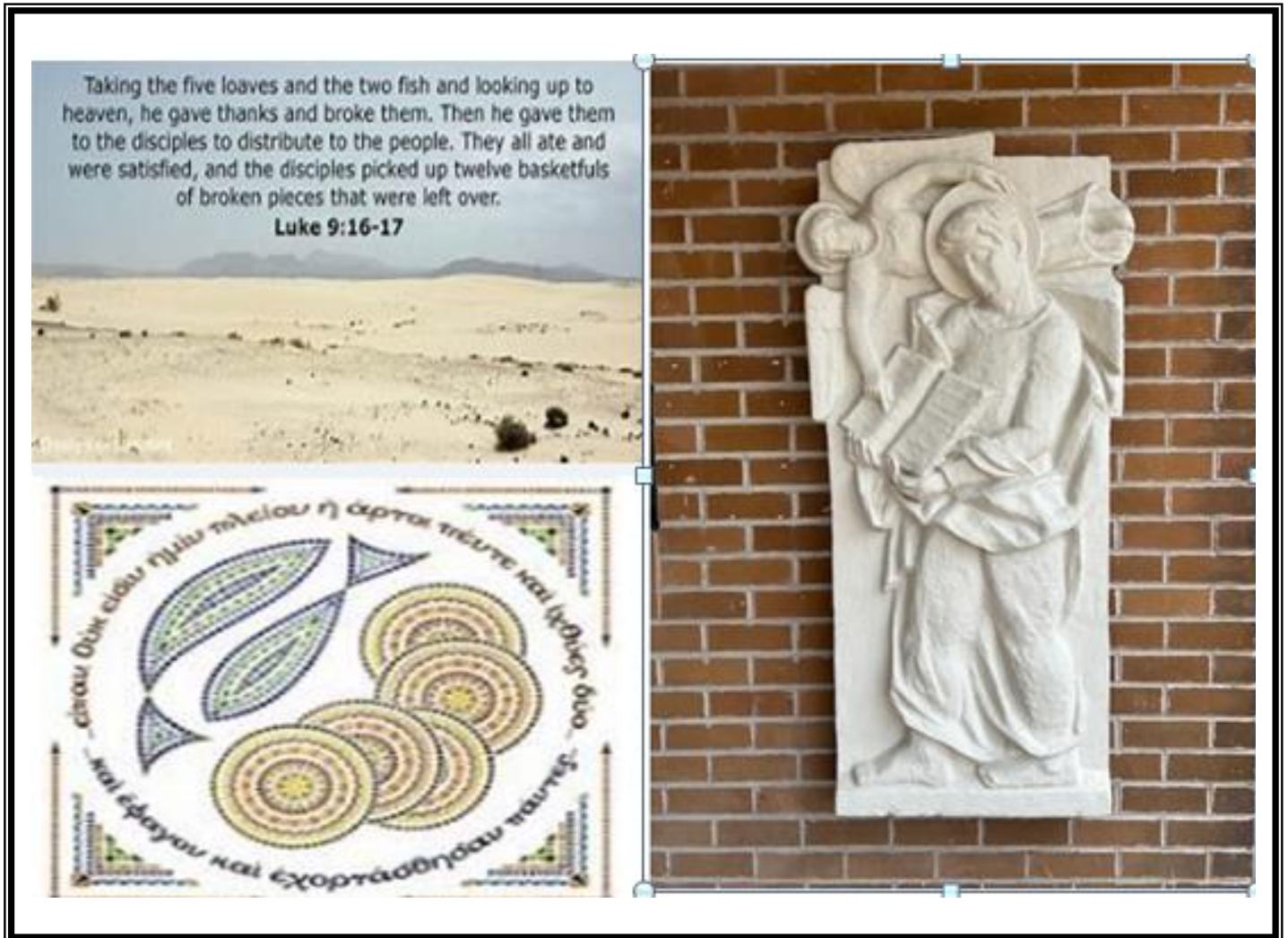


ST MATTHEW'S FAMILY PARISH

MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH



22ND JUNE 2025

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

READINGS:

FIRST – GN 14 : 18-20

PSALM – 110 (109)

**“YOU ARE A PRIEST FOR EVER,
ACCORDING TO THE ORDER OF MELCHIZEDEK”**

SECOND – 1 Co 11 : 23-26

GOSPEL – Lk 9 : 11-17

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.

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.

12th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

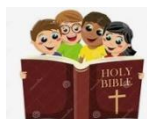
Monday 23 rd June	Weekday in the 12 th Week in Ordinary Time
Tuesday 24 th June	THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
Wednesday 25 th June	Weekday in the 12 th Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday 26 th June	Weekday in the 12 th Week in Ordinary Time
Friday 27 th June	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
Saturday 28 th June	Saint Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr and Doctor of the Church / The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary!

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!

To keep the café going we need volunteers to help on a Friday and Sunday mornings. This involves a couple of hours of your time around once a month. If you can help please phone Eileen Reilly on 0799-947-4573. Thank you!

MARRIAGE

For all couples marrying in **2025**, the one day marriage preparation course is **6th September 2025** at Our Lady of Good Counsel. Please email for a registration form. 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.

SVDP SUMMER OUTING - 2025

The SVDP Senior Citizen summer outing to Largs will take place this year on **Saturday, 30th August**, priced **£20**, with lunch at the Brisbane Hotel. The bus will leave Bishopbriggs at **11:00am** and will be back in time for evening mass for those who wish to go. To book a place, please add your name to the list on the table at the back of the church. For more information call Pat on 07910776591 or speak to any member of the SVDP.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

15th June : First collection - £1409.72
Second collection - £697.00 for Pro Life

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



Heartfelt congratulations to all those recently celebrating their Silver/Golden Wedding Anniversaries in our individual families and in our entire family parish!!

PARISH LOTTERY

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. Thank you!

LATEST JUSTICE & PEACE NEWSLETTER

Now available, this Summer Edition is full of updates and opportunities to get involved in our work over the coming months. Find it on the J&PS website, which can be accessed at www.j&pscotland.org.uk

ST JOSEPH'S CARE HOME

Afternoon Tea Fundraiser, **Saturday 5th July 2pm-4pm.**

Tickets from the home are **£10** which includes a free glass of prosecco on arrival.



ROSARY GARDEN AT ST MATTHEW'S

Some of us parishoners are keen to work on a project to create a small Rosary Garden at the back of the church (through the gate) for private outdoors prayers and contemplation. We are hoping to buy a small statue or wall mosaic of Our Lady with a pergola around her, a couple of benches and quite a few bigger plants in pots for a secluded garden. The concrete wall opposite will be painted, everything cleared, ground covered.

We have £1000 donation towards it already but we would like to invite further donations from all parishioners who want to support this project and can afford to give. We would need a few volunteers also to give us a hand and contacts for doing small jobs or for advice and more ideas. We would also need help with keeping track of funds and expenses. Are

you interested? Do you know a friend or family member who would be interested? Please contact Kati (k.beetles@btopenworld.com, **text only please:** 07904429898) if you would like to be involved in any way. Hope we can make this come true by early autumn this year for everybody to enjoy.

GLASGOW CHURCHES TOGETHER

Invites you to Nicaea 2025 – Living the Apostolic Faith Together Today. 1700th Anniversary of Nicaea. **Sunday 22nd June at 3pm** in St Andrew's Cathedral, Clyde Street. Commemorating the legacy of Faith and Unity. Join us to honour this historic milestone. Celebrate 1700 years since the First Council of Nicaea, a cornerstone of Christian history. Experience a service filled with prayer, reflection, and sacred music. Witness the unity and enduring significance of the Nicene Creed. Deepen your understanding of the Council of Nicaea and its impact on spiritual traditions.

Be part of a celebration of Nicaea's enduring legacy. Celebrate history. Strengthen Faith. Embody Unity.

THE APOSTOLIC NUNCIO....

H.E Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendia, will visit the Archdiocese of Glasgow.

The following dates are for your diary:

Sunday 22nd June

The Nuncio will preside at the **12 noon** Mass in Saint Andrew's Cathedral.

Sunday 22nd June

The Nuncio will lead the Blessed Sacrament Procession in Croy which begins with a welcome at Holy Cross Church at **3.45 pm**, followed by the Eucharistic Procession through the Village from **4.00 pm**, returning to the Church for Benediction around **5.15 pm**.

Monday 23rd June

The Nuncio will celebrate the **1.00 pm** Mass in Saint Andrew's Cathedral with the clergy and religious of the Archdiocese. You are, of course, invited to concelebrate.

The Mass will be followed by a light lunch in the Eyre Hall to which the clergy are also invited.

ABBA'S VINEYARD

Sacred Heart Prayer Evening, **Saturday 28th June, from 5-9pm**, for young adults aged 18-35. Join us as we gather in an evening for the Sacred Heart. The evening includes the opportunity for confession, mass and dinner. All are welcome to join at any point.

Address - Bl John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater Street, Glasgow, G5 0YT. Organised by Abba's Vineyard. For more information and a timetable search @abbasvineyard on social media or email: abbasvineyard@gmail.com

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!

SPECIAL THANKS and THANKFUL BREAK

"Not all Superheroes wear capes-
Some have Teaching Degrees" *Author unknown!*

*In every classroom, there's a hero unmasked,
Teaching and guiding, never demanding,
With passion and courage, they nurture and share,
For every student, they show how to care!*

With the end of Term fast approaching may we all take this opportunity to Thank All of Our Teachers for their dedication and hard work shown to All Pupils over this past Academic Year! Also, to Thank All Staff who are connected to the daily running of a School though their hard work, may they and All Pupils and their Families have a safe, restful and lovely summer holiday wherever it is spent either at Home or abroad!

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@rcaq.org.uk or phone the presbytery on 0141 772 1619 with their details.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Gilbert Reilly, Catherine Gray, 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

Peter McIntosh, Rickie Spinelli, James Hannigan, George Reilly, Eulalia Stewart, Joan Hart, Joan Quinn, Lawrence Brown, Jimmy Lyons, Catherine McKnight, Lawrence Brown, Adriano Benassi, Michael Henry, Billy Cairns, Andy McGhee and Jackie Calderwood.

ANNIVERSARY

Brian Dalrymple, Mark MacKay, Francis & Sarah McConnell, Jim McNally, Greta McKenna, John & Margaret Smillie, George & Agnes Barclay, Martin McConnell, Mary Monica Gair, John Tierney, Maria Meehan, Tommy Collins, Margaret Lang, Thomas McCallum, Maisie McConnell, William Auld, Peter Kelly, Jean Kearney, Catherine Gray, Kevin Malia, Thomas Deeney, Charles McAuley, Anne Baxter, Joseph Constantine, Johanna O'Connor, William McKenna, Samuel Forrest, Hugh Page and Frank McGinn.

+Requiescant in pace+

FUNERAL

Helen Gray – St Augustine's Church – Reception **24th June 6:30pm**, Funeral Mass **25th June 10am**

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/>