



ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 9 AUGUST 2026

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Monday – St Lawrence

9.30am - Holy Mass

Tuesday – St Clare

9.30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday – Feria

5pm - Vigil of Reception

6–6.45pm - Exposition & Confession

6.45pm - Benediction

7pm - Mass

Thursday – Feria

9.30am - Requiem Mass

5pm - Vigil of Reception

Friday – St Maximillian Kolbe

9.30am - Requiem Mass

Saturday – Our Lady

9.30am - Holy Mass

10am - Confessions

5-5.15pm - Confessions

6pm - Vigil Mass

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9.30am - Holy Mass

11.30am - Holy Mass

Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc. Sun

Prayers: we remember especially the sick, the housebound.

Your Gift to God and His Church

which includes standing orders: £1466 and Fabric £348.

Father Deeley is on annual leave at this time. We are very pleased to have Father Selvaraj to supply the Masses and sacraments while Father is away. Please make him very welcome, as you always do.

We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Mr Michael McGeehan RIP of Low Craigends aged 85 and will be received into the church on Wednesday at 5pm. The Requiem Mass for the happy repose of his soul will be offered on Thursday at 9.30am; Mrs. Ann Knight (nee Meechan) RIP aged 71 years and will be received into the church on Thursday at 5pm. The Requiem Mass for the happy repose of her soul will be

offered on Friday at 9.30am; Mrs. Bridget Friel RIP aged 92 years will be received into the church on Friday at 5pm. The Requiem Mass for the happy repose of her soul will be offered on Saturday at 9.30am.

Welcome to our new Musical Director:

Mr Raphael Chinn has been appointed to the post of Musical Director at St Patrick's beginning this weekend. As part of his remit, he will also be working closely with the primary school. Raphael is a graduate of the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and an experienced performing musician. Please make him welcome as he settles into his new role.

The new term: we thank God for a restful summer and ask for His blessing on the new academic year that begins this week at St Patrick's and St Maurice's, remembering especially our pls, sls, and those who will sit important exams. We ask St John Bosco's intercession for all our teachers.

Children's Liturgy Next Weekend

The primary school children who are at 11.30am Mass should gather quietly below the statue of St Patrick a few moments before Mass. The leaders will be there holding the big red children's liturgy book. As soon as the priest makes the Sign of the Cross and gives the greeting they go to the hall, returning at the Offertory.

Youth Group will restart back again on Thursday, 27 August. The new primary fives are now able to join as soon as their mums and dads have completed a consent form. These are available from the chapel house.

St Mary's, Stirling: Father Deeley will formally be relieved of his appointment as Administrator of St Mary's, Stirling on 8 September. He will be replaced by Father Federico Dundas SJS who will be resident at St Margaret's in the Raploch.

Work on the church: as mentioned last weekend, the long-awaited stonework is due to begin on the sanctuary a week on Monday. Also, we have the required 15% of the total cost of the solar panels that will go on the church roof to supply the house. Thanks to all who gave to that. The total cost of the panel work is £25,000 – if you would like to donate towards this and/or Gift Aid your donation, please get in touch with the chapel house. More details about the work and restrictions around the church in next week's newsletter.

Parish Office: because of annual leave the office is running on a skeleton staff. If your email/call is not urgent, it might be a couple of weeks before someone gets back to you.

The Solemnity of the Assumption:

usually this is a holyday of obligation. This year, however, the feast is transferred to Sunday, 16 August (next Sunday).

Thinking of becoming a Catholic? If you or someone you know wishes to become a Catholic, speak to Fr Deeley as soon as possible to see if you are eligible to begin the time of instruction.

Thanks, on behalf of the parish, to all those who are members of the Draw, the promoters and those who look after the accounts and the books. All your support and efforts are greatly appreciated. The Draw made a surplus of approximately £6000 which will be transferred to the parish account to help offset the solar panelling costs of £25,000 for the house. The new draw will start on Tuesday, 26 August.

Join the Parish Draw: If you would like to join the parish draw, please contact the chapel house as the new draw begins this month. Being in the draw is a fun way to support the parish. You have to be in it to win it!

Registration for Confirmation will take place over the weekend of 22/23 August after the Masses. Registration will be held in the Mortuary Chapel so make your way there straight after the final blessing.

Registration for First Holy Communion takes place over 29/30 August weekend after the Masses in the Mortuary Chapel.

Registration for First Confession takes place over the weekend of 5/6 September after the three Masses.

Welcome and Prayers for Hallie Georgia Muldoon who was baptised into the faith of the Church over the summer holidays.

Next Baptismal Course: for parents and godparents is on Wednesday, 2 September, from 7- 8pm in the hall. Email the chapel house to book.

Women's Guild will start back on Monday, 5 October. New members are welcome.

The Return of Chippy Tea Night & Social on Saturday, 29 August after the Vigil Mass. Choice of fish, pudding or sausage suppers. Bring your own refreshment: £8. List at the back.

Save the dates!

August 29 - Chippy Tea Night (social)
October 10 - Mexican Night (social)
November 21 - Abbatones (social)

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY
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SACRED SCRIPTURE**

[Always read through the scriptures prayerfully before Holy Mass.]

Entrance Antiphon

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading **1 Kings 19:9-13**

In those days: Elijah reached Horeb, the mount of God. There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, he word of the LORD came to him. And he said, 'Go out and stand on the

mount before the LORD.' And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 85**

R. Show us, O LORD, your mercy, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the LORD God speaks;
he speaks of peace for his people and his faithful.

His salvation is near for those who fear him, and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have kissed.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth,
and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The LORD will bestow his bounty,
and our earth shall yield its increase.
Righteousness will march before him,
and guide his steps on the way. **R.**

Second Reading **Romans 9:1-5**

Brothers and Sisters: I am speaking the truth in Christ. I am not lying. My conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit – that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers and sisters, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed for ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

I long for you, O LORD,
my soul longs for his word.
Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

After the crowd had eaten and were satisfied: Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, 'It is a ghost!' and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.' And Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, 'Lord, save me.' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, 'O you of little faith, why did you doubt?' And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

Communion Antiphon

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

