



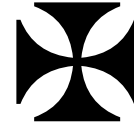
ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 30 AUGUST 2026

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Monday - Feria

9.30am - Holy Mass

Tuesday - St Giles

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Wednesday - Feria

5pm - Vigil of Reception

6-6.45pm - Exposition & Confession

6.45pm - Benediction

7pm - Mass

Thursday - St Gregory the Great

9.30am - Requiem Mass

Friday - St Cuthbert

9.30am - Holy Mass

Saturday - St Teresa of Calcutta

9.30am - Holy Mass

10am - Confessions

5-5.15pm - Confessions

6pm - Vigil Mass

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.30am - Holy Mass

11.30am - Holy Mass

Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc. Sun

Prayers: we remember the sick, the housebound, the lapsed and we ask God for a lasting and just peace to the various conflicts in the world.

Your Gift to God and His Church

which includes standing orders: £1525 and Fabric £397.

We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Mr George McDonald RIP of U.P Lane aged 95. He will be received into the church on Wednesday, 2 September at 5pm. The Requiem Mass for the happy repose of his soul will be offered on Thursday 3 September at 9.30am; Mr Francis Hughes RIP of Arden Grove who has died aged 96. He will be received into the church on Sunday 6 September at 1pm. The Requiem Mass for the happy repose of his soul will be offered on Monday 7 at 9.30am. ✠ *Requiescant in pace* ✠

Father Deeley returns this week. We are grateful to Father Selvaraj for spending time among us. Hopefully he felt at home during his time in Kilsyth!

Aged & Infirm Clergy Fund: the biggest single expense in the Archdiocese is looking after our sick and retired men, of whom there are about twenty-five. We will have our collection for the Aged & Infirm Clergy will be taken **next weekend** which will go towards our annual contribution. Please be as generous as you can to the second collection to support these men who have laboured in the Lord's vineyard 'in the heat of the day.' Use Gift Aid envelopes if you have them. Thank you so much.

Welcome Father McCafferty: newly ordained to the priesthood, he will be with us next weekend to offer the Masses and give us his first blessing. The first blessing of a priest is something that he is able to give for one year after his ordination. After Mass, come forward to the altar rails and receive his First Blessing either as individuals or couples or families. Another tradition is that we kiss the newly anointed hands of the new priest after receiving the first blessing. Father was with us on a pastoral placement a couple of summers ago and it's wonderful for us to see him come back as a priest.

Youth Group has started back now on Thursdays at 6.30pm with a whole new weekly schedule of various games, outings etc that are planned for the coming year. The new primary fives are now able to join as soon as their mums and dads have completed a consent form. Consent forms available at the Youth Group or at the chapel house.

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

Women's Guild will start back on Monday 21 September. New members are welcome, just turn up at the hall at 2pm.

St Patrick's Primary will join us for Mass on the first Friday, the Memorial of St Cuthbert.

Congratulations to Parish Draw Winners

Week 1

£300 T McCreery 1135 B McCormick 1622

£100 S Savage 1256 P Connelly 1808

£50 B McGinley 2137 M Matthews 1677

Week 2

Week 3

£300 M Savage 1253 P Cannon 1222

£100 M O'Hara 2180 Fr Moir 2198

£50 S Clark 1569 J McFarlane 1042

Week 4

Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed on Friday after 9.30am Mass and at 3pm in the Mortuary Chapel.

Monthly Brass Cleaning will be on Friday at 1pm in the sacristy. If you are free and would like to help, then you would be more than welcome!

Registration for First Holy Communion takes place over this weekend after the Masses.

Registration for First Confession takes place over **next weekend** after the three Masses.

Rome Trip Alba Tours have confirmed that they will send out a group email to all those travelling to Rome and then you will receive your pack early next week in the post.

Save the dates!

October 10 - Mexican Night (social)

November 21 - Abbatones (social)

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 and then to begin the time of instruction.

The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge on 16 - 18 October, for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. For more details call Maggie on 07786687631 or email beginningexperiencescotland@gmail.com

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) invites people of all ages to its Day Conference in Glasgow on Saturday 19th September. With fantastic speakers lined up, and an opportunity to engage with both the SPUC team and other likeminded supporters, this is an event not to be missed! Cost is £30 and includes lunch. To find out more and to book your place, see here: <https://spuc.org.uk/spuc-national-conference>.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Enquire about our training day for assistants on Tuesday 1 September, 10am-3pm, at The Gillis Centre, EH9 1BB. Participants are welcome to start the day with Mass at 9.30am at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh, EH9 1SN. To register: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/8RU6YraThh>

Pastoral Letter on Assisted Suicide
Bishop John Keenan, President of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland's Marriage, Family and Life Office, has issued a pastoral letter ahead of the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill returning to the House of Commons on 11 September. He urges you to contact your MP and ask them to vote against the Bill, while also encouraging prayer and support for those who are seriously ill, their families and carers. The full pastoral letter can be read online at archedinburgh.org/news

Season of Creation Conference A day of inspiration, reflection and practical action to celebrate the Season of Creation. Saturday 5 September, 10-3pm, Eyre Hall, Clyde Street, Glasgow, G1 4JY. The keynote speaker is Lorna Gold, Executive Director of the Laudato Si' Movement. Register: bit.ly/SeasonofCreation26

National Pilgrimage to Carfin Holy Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop William Nolan, joined by Bishops,

Priests, Religious and Faithful from across the country. Together we will gather in prayer before Our Lady, asking her intercession for our families, our communities, our nation, and for peace throughout the world. Sunday 6 September at 3pm.

Venerable Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage

This year's pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 20 September at St Patrick's Church in The Cowgate, Edinburgh. Schedule: 12.30pm - Sale of candles & goods, refreshments; 1.30pm - Holy Hour (exposition and benediction); 3pm - Reflection from Canon Jock Dahymple; 4.30pm - Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley.

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SACRED SCRIPTURE

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

Entrance Antiphon

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

First Reading **Jeremiah 20:7-9**

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 63**

R. For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.

O God, you are my God; at dawn I seek you; for you my soul is thirsting. For you my flesh is pining, like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

I have come before you in the sanctuary, to behold your strength and your glory. Your loving mercy is better than life; my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

I will bless you all my life; in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet; with joyful lips, my mouth shall praise you. **R.**

For you have been my strength; in the shadow of your wings, I rejoice. My soul clings fast to you; your right hand upholds me. **R.**

Second Reading **Romans 11:1-2**

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which he has called us.

Alleluia.

Gospel **Matthew 16:21-27**

At that time: Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done.'

Communion Antiphon

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.