

# St Aloysius' Church

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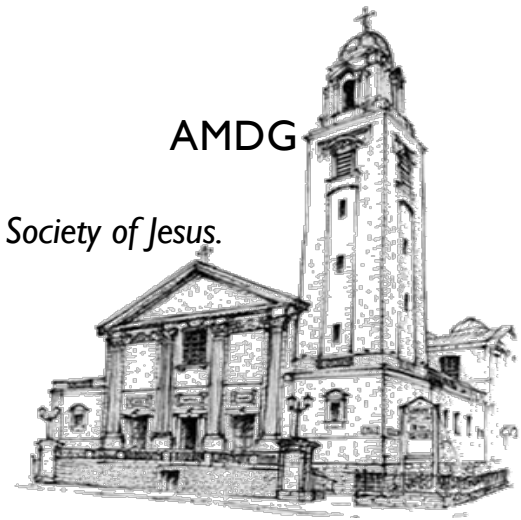
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**CLERGY:** Fr Gerard Mitchell SJ (*Parish Priest*)  
Fr John Twist SJ  
Fr Roger Dawson SJ

7 July 2024

Fourteenth Sunday of the Year

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## SERVICE TIMES

**Sunday Mass** Vigil (*Saturday*): 5.00 pm  
Sunday: 10.00 am  
Signed Mass for the Deaf  
12.00 noon, & 9.00 pm

**Weekday** Monday - Friday: 8.00 am, 12.15 pm,

**Saturday** 12.15pm & 5.00pm (*Vigil*)

**Confessions** Mon-Sun 30 minutes before Mass

Confessions after 8 a.m. Mass on request weekdays we

**Exposition** Every Sunday after the 12.00 noon Mass

## Sunday Refreshments

Served in the meeting room on the first floor of the Ogilvie Centre after the 10.00 am Mass. Do join us for tea or coffee. All are welcome!

## Pope's Prayer Intention for July

Pastoral Care of the Sick. Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

## Car Parking

Please remember that parking is available on a Sunday in the College Car Park in Scott Street.

## Jesuit Community

We are delighted to welcome Mr Joseph Lorenz SJ, who will be with us for two months. Joe is studying for the priesthood in Paris and was ordained deacon in April.

## Readings

On weekdays we are presently reading extracts from the 'minor prophets' as the first reading. There are 12 of these, often with quite short books, and many of them have a similar message to Isaiah. The prophets were a group of divinely inspired writers who fought against corruption in Israel's religion. Isaiah is one of the greatest of these, and is much quoted in the New Testament. John the Baptist is the same sort of prophetic figure, and Jesus was both a prophet and more.

**Comboni Missionary Sisters** will make an appeal at the end of Masses next weekend 13/14 July

**This week's second collection is for Parish Expenses**

## News from the Scottish Catholic Parliamentary Office -Assisted Suicide Bill

Liam McArthur MSP has published a bill to legalise assisted suicide in Scotland. The bill, which proposes allowing assisted suicide for those aged 16 or over who are terminally ill, mentally competent and who wish to die, will be debated and scrutinised by the Scottish Parliament in the coming months and will eventually be voted on by MSPs in a free vote (not along party lines).

The Bill refers to assisted dying, but this is a euphemistic term which doesn't accurately describe the reality. Assisted dying is already practiced by our health professionals and organisations, in the form of palliative care. An accurate term for what the Bill seeks to legalise is assisted suicide. It is a law which will allow a doctor to provide a patient with a lethal cocktail of drugs to kill themselves.

Notwithstanding opposition to the Bill in principle, here are a few specific concerns about the proposals:

The Bill defines 'terminal illness' as follows: "an advanced and progressive disease, illness or condition from which they are unable to recover and that can reasonably be expected to cause their premature death". No life expectancy is stipulated in the Bill and the definition means it could cover chronically ill and disabled people, and people with anorexia.

Doctors would be asked to assess and declare that there is no coercion or pressure involved in a person's decision to choose assisted suicide. This is an almost impossible task, especially for a decision of such magnitude.

Assessing doctors will not be obliged to refer applicants for a specialist assessment if they have doubts about terminal illness or capacity.

In a pastoral letter, **Called to Care, Not to Kill**, Scotland's Catholic bishops have described the proposals as "dangerous" and urged the Catholic faithful to contact their MSPs.

The Scottish Parliament's Health, Social Care and Sport Committee is asking for views on proposals to legalise **assisted suicide** in Scotland. The short survey, which should take just a few minutes to complete, seeks your views on Liam McArthur's Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill.

It is vital that as many people as possible engage with this consultation, pointing out the dangers of assisted suicide and showing MSPs that there is strong opposition to the proposals. Please do complete the short survey as soon as you can and invite family and friends to do the same.

Please go to <https://rcpolitics.org> for our online guide for more details including key information about the proposed Bill and how to access the short survey. Please note the survey closes on 16<sup>th</sup> August.

### Becoming a Catholic

#### RCIA Meetings Mondays at 7.30 pm (Beginning Monday 2 September) in the Ogilvie Centre

Adults who are interested in joining the Church follow a programme of learning and instruction, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), which culminates at the Easter Vigil Mass when they receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion, and are fully embraced as a member of the Catholic Church. The RCIA group of candidates will meet regularly from September onwards. All aspects of the Catholic faith are explored and discussed. There are no special requirements for candidates: you may have been baptised in the Catholic faith as an infant; baptised in another Christian church; or new to the faith. All are welcome.

If you have any questions about receiving the Sacraments as an adult, or if you would like to know more about the Catholic faith and participate in the RCIA, please speak to Fr Twist or Fr Mitchell or contact [staloyus.garnethill@rcag.org.uk](mailto:staloyus.garnethill@rcag.org.uk) or phone the Parish Office 0141 332

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## The Current Situation in Israel/Palestine –

A Presentation by Brother Peter Bray, FSC, Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University. Thursday 11 July at 7.00 pm in The Ogilvie Centre, St Aloysius' Church, 25 Rose Street, Glasgow G3 6RE

1. Why is there a conflict in Israel/Palestine?
2. What if the impact of this on Palestinians, particularly our students?
3. How are the Palestinians responding?
4. What is it that people in Scotland can do to stand in solidarity with the Palestine people?

Brother Peter Bray, FSC, is the Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University, the first university established in Palestinian and the only Catholic university in the Holy Land

**AGAP Theatre** presents "Gaudi: God's Architect". Explore the life of the Visionary behind Barcelona's Sagrada Familia through this multimedia production. Fringe Preview Performances 7.30pm on 16<sup>th</sup> July: Archdiocese of Glasgow Curial Offices, 196 Clyde St; Wed 17<sup>th</sup> July: Our Lady of Lourdes, Cardonald; Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> July: St Thomas the Apostle, Riddrie; Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July: Bld John Duns Scotus, Gorbals. Tickets £8 (£6 concession) from [www.gaudi-play.co.uk](http://www.gaudi-play.co.uk) and 0749 534 7884. (Run time 50 min. Post-show chat and refreshments.)

## ESOL Summer Holiday Club Last Week of July

Eight Jesuit scholastics who are studying for the priesthood at the Centre Sevres in Paris will be visiting the Jesuit community in Glasgow from 24 – 30 July. During this time they and volunteers from the St Aloysius ESOL classes will be running a summer holiday club for students from the classes and their families and children. This will involve trips and fun and cultural activities. Some 65 people will take part. We would be most grateful to receive any donations towards the cost of running the Holiday club. Please make cheques payable to: Archdiocese of Glasgow ESOL School  
Account Number: 19127261 Sort Code: 835200

**Nigerian Catholic Community** Summer Fete: takes place at St Roch's, Garngad, on Sunday 4th August, at 12.30pm. All welcome.

**PAX CHRISTI SCOTLAND:** The latest Newsletter can be found at [www.paxchristiscotland.org](http://www.paxchristiscotland.org)

**Aid to the Church in Need:** You are invited to our benefactor and friends event at Xavier Centre, Carfin on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August 12 – 3.00 pm. Guest speakers are Fr Paschal Uche, who was the youth ambassador who greeted Pope Benedict on his visit to Britain and is now a priest of the Diocese of Brentwood and Dr Caroline Hull, ACN UK National Director. A light lunch will be provided as well as a visit to the Reliquary Chapel and Holy Mass celebrated by Fr Paschal. Please sign up on Eventbrite (CAN Benefactor & Friends Carfin Event) or call the Motherwell Office on 01698 337470 to reserve your free tickets.

## Hospital Pastoral Care

Remember (a) if you are going in to hospital and want Confession and the Sacrament of the Sick, please ask Fr Mitchell or Fr Twist before you go, (b) if you are taken in as an emergency ask the nurse to contact the on-call chaplain or call the parish, and (c) if you are in hospital for a longer time you can receive Holy Communion regularly in the ward, but only if you ask the nurse or contact the parish. The chaplains will not be told you are in hospital and cannot visit you automatically – you must specifically ask to see the Catholic chaplain

**Carfin Pilgrimages** have been arranged by the Legion of Mary on 13th July, 13th August, 13th September and 13th October. Beginning at 7.30pm with Rosary Procession followed by Holy Mass and Benediction until 9pm. Prayers offered for world peace, young people, vocations and Parish renewal. All welcome.

## Liturgical Calendar

Tuesday 9 July	Ss Leo Ignatius Mangin SJ	Memorial
Tuesday 9 July	Mary Zhu Wu & Companions	
Thursday 11 July	Our Lady of Aberdeen	Feast
	St Benedict (Patron of Europe)	Feast

**Thank you for last Sunday's Collection - £1104.64**

**Second Collection for Peter's Pence: £700.78**

**Donations via card reader last week - £271 many thanks!**

**A report on card reader donations for the 3 months to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024**

Donations via the card reader totalled £4,093.46

The total number of donations were 382

Many thanks for all who are using the card reader which is a very efficient way of contributing.

## MASS TEXTS AND READING

### Entrance Antiphon

**Cf Ps 47:10-11**

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

### First Reading

**Ezekiel 2:2-5**

The sons are defiant and obstinate and they shall know that there is a prophet among them.

### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 122: R. v.2**

Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.

### Second Reading

**St Paul to the Corinthians 12:7-10**

I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Jn 1 :14, 12**

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

### Gospel

**Mark 6:1-6**

A prophet is despised only in his own country.

### Communion Antiphon

**Ps 33:9**

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.