

St Aloysius' Church

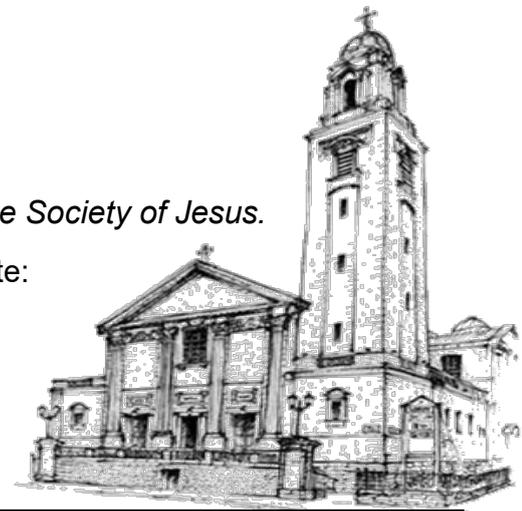
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21 September 2025

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Service Times

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

Glasgow Open Doors Day: Church open to welcome visitors from 2-5 p.m. Exposition begins today at 5 p.m.

Assisted Dying Bill: Message from Anthony Horan, Director Catholic Parliamentary Office

Dear Friends, You may recall that on 13th May, MSPs narrowly voted through Liam McArthur's Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill, by 70 votes to 56. The Bill is expected to return to Parliament in the coming weeks, and to coincide with this, SPUC (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children), will be holding a mass lobby of MSPs on Tuesday 7th October, between 10am - 3pm.

The aim of a mass lobby is for as many people as possible to go into parliament on the same day to lobby their MSPs. It is a very effective way of engaging with MSPs and making your views known. SPUC staff will be present on the day to provide all the advice and guidance you need to lobby MSPs.

<https://spuc.org.uk/event/mass-lobby-of-holyrood-against-assisted-suicide/>

SPUC will also be holding a pre-lobby Zoom webinar on Tuesday 30th September, at 7pm, to help prepare for the event at Holyrood. <https://spuc.org.uk/event/webinar-fight-assisted-suicide-in-scotland/>

Remember, we need just eight MSPs to switch their votes in order to defeat this Bill.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Friends of the Holy Land: A Call to Prayer and Public Witness for Peace in the Holy Land

In response to the devastating escalation of violence in Gaza and the West Bank we are calling on Christians across Britain to pray for peace on Sunday 21st September, coinciding with UN World Peace Day and the global call to prayer from the World Council of Churches.

Autumn Fayre You are warmly invited to an Autumn Fayre 'Peace with Creation' on Saturday, 27th September between 1pm and 4pm in the Ogilvie Centre. Would you please consider supporting this parish event by donating any gifts, craft work and the following: a good quality items, such as pictures, ornaments, toys, gift sets, books and green table items such as plants or plant pots for resale or any gardening items. These can be left in the Baptistry at the back of the church and will be collected by volunteers. All proceeds from the Fayre will go to an Eco project.

Foodbank: The next foodbank collection will take place over the weekend of Saturday and Sunday 27th and 28th of September. Priority items for the month are: UHT milk, tins of baked beans, small jars of pasta sauce, small tins of fruit, tinned rice, tinned chickpeas, small packets of biscuits, laundry pods, any toiletries (excluding sanitary products). Thank you for your ongoing support. <https://glasgowne.foodbank.org.uk>

Planned Giving Campaign: During October the parish will be running a “planned giving campaign”. This is a time when everyone is asked to think about whether they are giving the right amount to their parish, which is important as parishes do not receive any direct financial support. They are required to raise enough money to cover their costs themselves. More information to come

Interested in Becoming Catholic? If you feel attracted to the Catholic faith, we want you to know about a programme at the Parish. This process, which is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is also open to those Catholic adults who have not received the Sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation. For more information, speak to Fr Mitchell or Fr Sulik or email staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk or phone the Parish Office 0141 332 3039

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): The programme for 2025-2026 will continue this Monday 22nd September at 7.30 p.m. on the first floor of the Ogilvie Centre, 25 Rose Street, G3 6RE and will continue on Monday day evenings.

Brother Sun, Sister Moon: Praying anew St Francis' Canticle of the Creatures We will be celebrating the 800th anniversary of the writing of St Francis' famous Canticle, *Laudato Si' o mio Signore* **Saturday 4 October** at St Aloysius' Church. The 12.15 pm Mass will be celebrated with the new Mass for Creation texts recently promulgated by Pope Leo. It will be followed by lunch and a short talk on the Canticle in the Ogilvie Centre.

Glasgow 850 Sponsored Interfaith Walk: Experiencing Glasgow's Religious Diversity, Supporting Interfaith Engagement, **Saturday 4 October** Visiting St Andrew's Parish Church, Hindy Mandir, Kelvingrove Park, Glasgow Buddhist Centre, St Aloysius' Church, Garnethill Synagogue, Glasgow Central Mosque, Glasgow Gurdwara.

Participants will arrive in St Aloysius at 2.45 when they will be given a short tour of the church followed by a blessing for Glasgow using the Canticle of St Francis.

St Aloysius' College - Open Events Invitation. Rooted in the Jesuit tradition and guided by our motto Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam (AMDG) - For the Greater Glory of God - we are committed to forming young people of competence, conscience and compassion. From Kindergarten through to Senior School, pupils are encouraged to grow in faith, knowledge and service. Join us on: Open Morning: Saturday 20th September 2025 Open Evening: Thursday 6th November 2025 These Open Events offer an opportunity to experience the welcoming community spirit of St Aloysius' College, meet our dedicated staff and see how our Catholic ethos is lived out each day in the life of the school. For more information, please contact our Admissions Team at: admissions@staloysius.org | 0141 332 3190

Reconciliation and Healing Service: Sunday 28th September at 5pm, Tyburn Nuns, Benedictine Monastery, 5 Mackerston Place, Largs, KA30 8BY. Speaker - Joe Livingston. Theme - The Sacredness Of The Sacred Heart. Opportunity for Confession, Benediction Of The Blessed Sacrament (Canon Joe Balmer). Prayer Ministry. Music (Praise and Worship). Tea and Coffee - All Welcome.

Help Sought (BCOS Commission for Marriage, Family & Life): If you have been safely recruited and have a PVG certificate for a ministry in the Catholic Church, would you please be able to give up a Saturday (25th October 2025) to help with children's activities at an all-day National Family Conference in St. Bride's, Motherwell? Eighty families from around Scotland are being invited to attend and if, on average, they have 3 children each, that's at least a possible 240 children requiring supervision. An information evening about this event is on Wednesday 24th September at 7pm in the Diocesan Offices, Paisley. Should you know of other possible & volunteers, please pass on this plea.

2025 Centenary Pilgrimage to Pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair: will take place on Sunday 21 September from 12.30-6pm at St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NA. 12.30-1.30 Refreshments & sale of candles/goods; 1.30-2.30: Holy Hour (Exposition, Rosary, Benediction, Confessions); 3.00-4.00: Reflection on the Venerable Margaret Sinclair given by Fr Joe McAuley, Vice-Postulator with prayers, petitions & blessings with the relic ; 4.30: Holy Mass (Sung) Principal Celebrant: Archbishop Leo Cushley, Homilist: Fr Jamie McMorris. Confessions are available all day

Study Catholic Theology in Edinburgh: Registration is now open for the MA in Applied Catholic Theology at St Mary's University campus in Edinburgh. Details at bit.ly/catholictheology. Queries: stephen.dolan@stmarys.ac.uk

Justice and Peace Newsletter: The latest Justice & Peace Scotland Newsletter is now available. It highlights a summer of powerful advocacy with gatherings at Faslane and Dungavel, and important campaigns and forthcoming events – including the Red Line For Gaza - you are encouraged to support. Find it at www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk

Latest newsletter from National Marriage, Family and Life Commission:
www.marriagefamilyandlife.org.uk/newsletter/

Liturgical Calendar

Tuesday 23 Sept	St Pius of Pietrelcina	Memorial
Saturday 27 Sept	St Vincent De Paul	Memorial

GIFT AID: Do you pay tax? Do you gift aid? For every £1 you contribute to the church, we can claim back an extra 25% of what you give. This is at NO EXTRA COST TO YOU! If you have an income (wage, salary, pension or investment income) on which you pay UK income tax, the tax people will add 25p for every pound you give. A Gift Aid Declaration can only be made in the name of an individual parishioner since tax is claimed back against his or her own tax. For each collection, a separate declaration must be made. This is a huge benefit to our parish. If you are a tax payer, please consider Gift Aid. Forms available from the back of the church or the office.

Standing Orders: It would be very helpful if you would consider supporting our parish by setting up a regular standing order. This can be arranged through our Office Manager, please contact: office.manager.staloyisius@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can pay directly into our account: account number 00258381, sort code: 83 52 00. Thank you to everyone who has already taken this step, it is much appreciated. Standing orders are the easiest way to make regular donations to our parish. They are a secure and convenient method to give, and they help our parish plan for the future.

Donations to St Aloysius' Garnethill can be made by using the card readers located at the main entrance to the church or by scanning this QR code. Don't forget to gift aid your donation.
Thank you for your support of St. Aloysius' Church.

<p>St Aloysius' Church The First Collection</p> 	<p>St Aloysius' Church Parish Expenses The Second Collection</p> 
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First Collection: £1118.40

Second Collection: £ 422

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This Weeks Second Collection is for Parish Expenses

A Prayer for the Holy Land for 21 September 2025

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world:

In your mercy, provide for all those in Gaza and beyond who suffer from hunger and starvation, that they may be given both physical bread to nourish their bodies and heavenly bread to sustain their souls.

By the power of your Spirit, bring a speedy end to this cruel war, the release of all captives, care for the sick and wounded, comfort for those who have lost loved-ones, and the opening of a pathway for a just and lasting peace here in the very homeland where your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ministered during his earthly life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

MASS TEXTS AND READING

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading

Amos 8: 4-7

‘Against those who ‘buy the poor for silver.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 113(112):1-2. 4-6. 7-8. R. cf. 1a, 7b

Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Second Reading

Letter of St Paul to Timothy 2:1-8

‘Prayers should be made for all people to God, who desires all people to be saved.’

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus Christ, though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

‘You cannot serve God and money.’

Communion Antiphon

Ps 118:4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

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