

St Aloysius' Church

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26 January 2025 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday of the Word of God Year C

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
Exposition Every Sunday after the 12.00 noon Mass



The logo shows four stylized figures, representing all of humanity, coming from the four corners of the earth. They embrace each other to indicate the solidarity and fraternity, which should unite all peoples. The figure at the front is holding onto the cross. It is not only the sign of the faith which this lead figure embraces, but also of hope, which can never be abandoned, because we are always in need of hope, especially in our moments of greatest need.

There are the rough waves under the figures, symbolising the fact that life's pilgrimage does not always go smoothly in calm waters. Often the circumstances of daily life and events in the wider world require a greater call to hope. That is why we should pay special attention to the lower part of the cross which has been elongated and turned into the shape of an anchor which is let down into the waves. The anchor is well known as a symbol of hope. In maritime jargon, the 'anchor of hope' refers to the reserve anchor used by vessels involved in emergency manoeuvres to stabilise the ship during storms. It is worth noting that the image illustrates the pilgrim's journey not as an individual undertaking, but rather as something communal, marked by an increasing dynamism leading one ever closer to the cross. The cross in the logo is by no means static, but it is also dynamic. It bends down towards humanity, not leaving human beings alone, but stretching out to them to offer the certainty of its presence and the security of hope. At the bottom of the logo is the motto of the 2025 Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of hope.

40 Hours

Saturday 25th from 1.00 pm - 4.45 pm and after 5.00 pm Mass to 7.00 pm

Sunday 26th from 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm and 6.00 pm – 8.45 pm

Monday 27th from 8.30 am to 12.00 pm and 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm

The Celtic Connections Mass will be here in St Aloysius Church today at 4.00 pm.

Young Adults Group The group meets every Sunday evening at 7.00 pm in the Ignatian Spirituality Centre for a meal, discussion and the option to attend 9.00 pm Mass.

RCIA Programme 2024-25 The group meets every Monday evening on the first floor of the Ogilvie Centre at 7.30 pm.

Warm Hub: Every Wednesday at 5.00 pm. All Welcome.

Holocaust Memorial Day 28 January 2025 18.00 Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, 100 Renfrew Street, Box Office: +44 (0)141 332 5057

Holocaust Memorial Day is a day to remember the millions of people who lost their lives and their freedoms because of the Holocaust and subsequent genocides. This commemoration of music and reflections is presented in partnership by the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and Interfaith Scotland.

Campaign Against Assisted Suicide: Monday 27 January: Faith Leaders from the Hindu, Sikh, Muslim, Jewish and Christian communities will come to Lunch and a Meeting in St Aloysius' on the Assisted Suicide Bills in Westminster and Holyrood.

Alliance of Concern-Against Assisted Suicide: Care not Killing, Our Duty of Care Catholic Parliamentary Office, Campaign Against Assisted Dying, Glasgow Disability Alliance **Meeting : 7.30pm, Thursday 30th January**, Ogilvie Centre St Aloysius Church, 25 Rose Street Glasgow G3 6RE All welcome,

Newman Association: *Receptive Ecumenism: a case study in Maryhill* - A presentation by Fr Jim Lawlor and Rev Stuart Matthew. The Parish Hall, Immaculate Conception Church, 2049 Maryhill Road, Glasgow, G20 0AA at 7.30pm on Thursday 6th February 2025. All welcome. Refreshments provided.

New Encyclical from Pope Francis Dilexit Nos - He Loved Us

Pope Francis reflects on the Sacred Heart of Jesus: "The deepest part of us, created for love, will fulfil God's plan only if we learn to love. And the heart is the symbol of that love.

**Nine First Fridays of the Month after 12.15 p.m. Mass
Beginning Friday 7 February and led by
Fr Peter Griffiths, S.J.**

will present themes from 'Dilexit Nos for our thinking and praying
Friday 7 February: The importance of 'the heart'

Reconciliation and Healing Service: 2.30pm on Sunday 9th February at St Columbkille's Chapel Hall, Kirkwood Street, Rutherglen G73 2NP. Speakers: Rev. Crombie and Joe Livingston. Confession, prayer ministry, music, tea and coffee. All welcome.

Sensory Mass in the Cathedral: Do you or someone you know have difficulty in coming to Mass because you are autistic, have ADHD or are neurodiverse? Would a less stimulating environment help? We are hoping to create that at a sensory Mass in St. Andrew's Cathedral but first we'd like to know what would help. Meeting for those interested in the Cathedral, 196 Clyde Street on Sunday 9 February at 2.30pm. If that doesn't suit or you would like to speak to someone privately, call or email Lisbeth Raeside on 0141 770 5055, lisbeth.spred@btconnect.com.

Aid to the Church in Need Scottish Catholic Conference, 'Courage to Be Catholic'. Glasgow Royal Concert Hall. Saturday 29 Mar 2025 9:30-4 p.m., Mass 5 p.m. at St Aloysius **Bishop William Shomali, Patriarchal Vicar for Jerusalem and Palestine** will share the suffering of Christians in the Holy Land with a message from the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, **Bishop Wilfred Anagbe, Diocese of Makurdi, Nigeria** will speak about the persecution of our Christian brothers and sisters. **Dr Hannah Vaughan-Spruce, CEO Divine Renovation UK** will deliver a talk entitled 'Why Catholics leave and how they might return' highlighting the need for evangelisation. **Caroline Hull**, National Director and **John Pontifex**, Head of Press & Public Affairs at ACNUK. Book (lunch included) before 10th February £25 concessions, £30 general admission (Additional £5 after 10th Feb) Contact Aid to the Church in Need scotland@acnuk.org 01698 337 470

GRIEF TO GRACE: A Healing Retreat for Victims of Abuse. 29th April to 4th May 2025 - Perth. A 5 day programme of spiritual and psychological healing for anyone who has suffered from sexual, physical, or emotional abuse or neglect in childhood, adolescence or adulthood, including those abused by a religious / member of the clergy. If you are interested in this confidential healing retreat, please contact: margaret.clarke@griegtograceuk.org

Home Visits for the Sick

If you are living in St Aloysius' parish and are ill and housebound, or have a relative or friend who is ill, please contact the parish office and a visit will be arranged. Holy Communion can be brought regularly to those who are ill and housebound and who are unable to attend Mass.

First Collection - £1,112.11
Second Collection - £480 for The White Flower Appeal
Contactless Machine - £265

This Week's Second Collection is for Assisted Parishes

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 if you pay tax.



Standing Orders are the easiest way to make regular donations to our parish. They are a secure and convenient way to give, and they help our parish plan for the future. A standing order is a request to automatically send a set amount of money from your bank account to the church's account on a regular basis. To set up a standing order kindly request a standing order form by sending an email to staloyus.garnethill@rcag.org.uk or visit the Parish Office.

Gift Aid: If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider GIFT AIDING your donation. The parish can reclaim 25p for every £1 donated. To join the Gift Aid scheme, or if you want an annual box of offertory envelopes, please give contact details to the Parish.

Crib Donations All donations are for St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society. Our Crib – in the Holy Souls Chapel will be available to see until Sunday 2nd February – The Presentation of the Lord.

Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme

On Wednesday 22 January Heritage Minister, Sir Chris Bryant, announced that the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme will be extended for one year from March 2025. The scheme – which has run since 2001 and which has been of considerable benefit to us in St Aloysius' – allows listed places of worship of all faiths to reclaim VAT on essential repair works. However, the extended scheme will operate with a reduced overall budget and a funding cap of £25,000 per place of worship. The total funding limit for the coming year is £23 million, down from the £29 million spent last year.

Although it is good news that the scheme is being continued for another year, it is disappointing about the cap that has been put on the amount that can be reclaimed per place of worship.

It would be good if parishioners would kindly write to their local Member of Parliament to try and get the scheme to continue indefinitely.

Liturgical Calendar

Sunday of the Word of God' On 30 Sept 2019, Pope Francis's apostolic letter 'Instituting the Sunday of the Word of God' (entitled *Apparuit illis*) confirmed that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time each year was to be 'devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God'. The letter opens with the words 'Aperuit illis' from Luke 24: 45: 'He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures'. For us, too, this Sunday 'helps us experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world'.

This year's theme, "I hope in your Word" (Psalm 119:74), invites all to reflect on the hope and guidance the Bible offers in the Christian journey. This verse is a cry of hope, inviting us to place our trust in God's Word, especially during times of anguish, confusion, and tribulation.

Tuesday 28 January
Friday 31 January

St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
St John Bosco, Priest

Memorial
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MASS TEXTS AND READING

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Ps 95:1,6

O Sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

First Reading

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

'They read from the book of the Law, and gave the meaning.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 19 (18):8. 9. 10. 15. R. Jn 6:63c

Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life.

Second Reading

St Paul to the Corinthians 12:12-30

'You are the body of Christ and individually members of it.'

Gospel Acclamation

Lk 4 :18

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has sent me to proclaim good news to the poor; to proclaim liberty to the captives.

Gospel

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

'Today this Scripture has been fulfilled.'

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 33:6

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

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