

## St Aloysius' Church

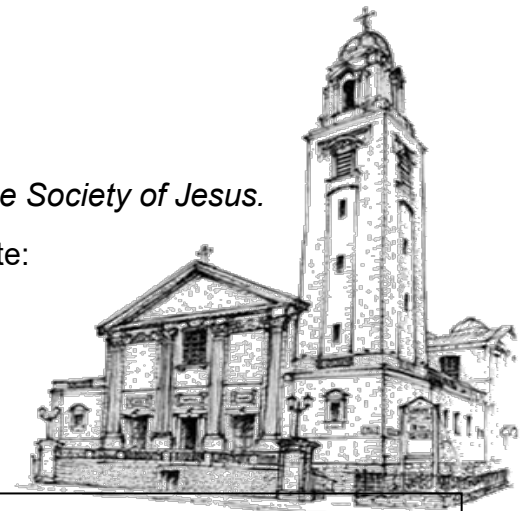
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Fr Ladislav Sulik SJ Fr Roger Dawson SJ Fr Peter Griffiths SJ



12 April 2026

Second Sunday of Easter

Year A

### 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 will begin today at 3 p.m.**

### Thank you

Many thanks to all those who contributed to the Holy Week Services, the choir, organist, sacristan, servers, readers, passkeepers, cleaners and decorators of the church. Thank you for what you have done this Holy Week and Easter and for all you do the whole year through.

### Growing in Faith Retreat Day: St. Aloysius',



Garnethill with the Ignatian Spirituality Centre, Glasgow. on 18th April, 10.30am–3pm (lunch provided; donation only). To find out more or sign up, scan the QR code or email

[marianne.lucchesi@iscglasgow.co.uk](mailto:marianne.lucchesi@iscglasgow.co.uk)

### Scottish Parliament Election – Thursday 7th

**May 2026:** To help Catholics choose a candidate to represent the Scottish People in the next parliamentary session in Holyrood, the Catholic Parliamentary Office has prepared a resource: [rcpolitics.org/scottish-parliament-election-2026/](http://rcpolitics.org/scottish-parliament-election-2026/)

**Laudato Si Week 2026** You are warmly invited to an **Laudato Si Fayre 'Turning Hope into Action'** on **Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May** 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

**The YOUNG ADULT GROUP** meets in the Ignatian Spirituality Centre on Sundays at 7pm. Why not come along: light meal, talk, prayer and possibility of Mass at 9pm. Please note that we will not meet on Sunday 12 April. We will next meet on Sunday 19 April.

**Jesuit Young Adults Ministry Quiz Night**  
Saturday, 30 May 2026, 7 PM - 11 PM The Ogilvie Centre, St Aloysius Church, Glasgow  
Tickets £10 7 PM: 3-course supper 8 PM: Quiz starts 10:30 PM: Prize giving and last drinks **Join a team of 6 or form one on the night. Test your general knowledge and have fun!**

**Guided Ignatian Retreat for Young Adults (18–35)** MAG+S UK, together with Jesuit Young Adult Ministries in London, Glasgow, and Edinburgh, is offering a guided retreat in the Ignatian tradition this summer. **Between the Mountains and the Sea** 22–29 August 2026 – Barmouth, Wales Cost: £350 The retreat includes: Single-occupancy accommodation; All meals One-to-one spiritual accompaniment. Travel to and from Barmouth is not included. Applications are now open. Young adults seeking time for prayer, reflection, and rest are warmly encouraged to apply.

## The Peregrinatio Pro Christo (PPC) in St Aloysius' during Holy Week 2026

Ten members of the Legion of Mary from Ireland took part in the PPC in St Aloysius'. We thank all those kind members of our community who kindly offered our visitors a bed for the night during their time with us. Their visit proved a very great blessing.

The **Peregrinatio Pro Christo (PPC)** is the Legion of Mary's short-term missionary outreach, where lay Catholics volunteer for one to two weeks to help a parish with evangelization. Rooted in Marian spirituality and inspired by the early Irish missionary monks, the PPC is a **pilgrimage of faith, service, and trust in God**, not a retreat or holiday.

The PPC exists to **bring Christ to people personally**, especially those who may never encounter the Church otherwise. Missionaries work in pairs, visiting homes, speaking with people in public places, and gently inviting them back to faith and sacramental life.

Typical activities include: Door-to-door evangelization;; Visiting Catholics who no longer practise the faith; Encouraging return to the Sacraments; Parish census or renewal work; Street contact in public areas; Promoting Marian devotion All encounters are marked by **gentleness, respect, and charity**.

A PPC day blends prayer, simple living, and apostolic work:: **Morning:** Mass, Rosary, briefing, spiritual reading, and reports; **Daytime:** Door-to-door visits, simple lunch, street contact; **Evening:** Dinner, report session, invitations to parish events. The rhythm is prayerful, communal, and humble.

Missionaries meet a wide range of individuals: Catholics who no longer practise the faith; Lonely or elderly people; Skeptical or hostile individuals; People of other faiths or none; those searching for meaning or help The goal is not argument or pressure, but **planting seeds of faith**.

Careful reporting ensures the parish can continue the work: Notes on each visit; Daily oral reports; A final master report for the parish priest, including; Urgent pastoral needs; Potential RCIA candidates; Statistics and neighbourhood insights; Map of streets visited

**Fruits of the Mission: For the parish:** renewed sacramental life, new inquirers, better pastoral awareness, revived missionary spirit. **For the people met:** companionship, spiritual comfort, reconnection with the Church. **For volunteers:** deeper prayer life, courage, humility, and lasting friendships. Even apparent failures are considered **hidden graces**—the work belongs to the Holy Spirit.

The PPC is a **bold, prayer-driven, person-to-person mission** where ordinary lay Catholics step out in faith to bring Christ to others. It is a work of love, humility, and trust in God, carried out in the spirit of Mary and the early Irish saints. Its heart is simple: **To reach every soul possible with Christ's presence through prayer, presence, and gentle evangelization.**

During their short stay in Glasgow legionaries visited 3,076 homes in Dundasvale, Garnethill and Woodlands. They delivered Easter greetings from the parish to all these homes. They had conversations with 1,017 people. They experienced a warm welcome as they went about visiting and no hostility. Amongst those they met 48 practising Catholics and a further 154 who no longer practise the faith but welcomed the visit. At the end of the week they were much moved by the warmth of their reception and went on their way rejoicing.

There are six people in the parish who wish to become members of the Legion of Mary to continue this gentle work of evangelisation in our community. If you, dear reader, are also interested please speak to Father Mitchell or email [staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk](mailto:staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk)

**Madagascar Comes to Glasgow:** Madagascar is one of the world's most biodiverse countries, but it is also especially vulnerable to climate change and its effects. The Centre Arrupe Madagascar – an environmental awareness organisation – seeks to address these issues. It offers educational and practical training sessions to the country's young people, and it has actively participated in global conferences on climate and the environment.. **Patricia Tahirindray from Jesuit Missions and the Centre Arrupe in Madagascar** will be visiting St Aloysius' on the week3nd of 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> April. She will give a presentation in the Ogilvie Centre after 12.15 Mass on Saturday 25 April and she will speak at Sunday Masses and with the Young Adult group



**Annual Ozanam Talk 2026 Standing for Truth:** Catholic Witness in a Challenging Political Landscape. Monday 27th April 7.30pm in Blessed John Duns Scotus Church Hall. Ballater Street Glasgow G5 0YT. Speaker: Anthony Horan, Director of the Scottish Catholic Parliamentary Office

**RCIA Becoming a Catholic:** Congratulations to Callum Reid, James Barnes-Millar and Chris Double who were baptised and received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. Adults who are interested in joining the Church and follow the RCIA programme are invited to speak to Fr Laco or Fr Mitchell contact [staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk](mailto:staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk)

**Rachel's Vineyard:** A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Glasgow on Friday, 24th to Sunday 26th April. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call/text Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or email [sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk](mailto:sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk).

**Glasgow Street Pastors** – Commonwealth Games: The Games take place from 23rd July to 2nd August. We are looking for volunteers to be "Games Pastors". Church volunteers from around Glasgow will serve on short daytime / evening shifts alongside experienced Street Pastors. If you are interested or would like more information, please speak to one of the church's Street Pastors or get in touch with Elizabeth Lacey (GSP Coordinator) by email to [coordinator@gsp.scot](mailto:coordinator@gsp.scot). Please note that there will be a short application form to complete.

**Financial Support for Saint Aloysius Church:** We rely on the generous financial support of those who worship in this church to be able to keep the building and our mission in Glasgow afloat. The most helpful way of giving is by Standing Order, either monthly or weekly, as this allows us to predict income and plan well. If you are a UK taxpayer, please also sign a Gift Aid form – this enables us to claim from the Government an additional 25p for every £1 you donate at no extra expense to yourself. Standing Order and Gift Aid forms are available at the back of the church.. If you have internet banking, you can set up a Standing Order online. **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

<p><b>St Aloysius’ Church The First Collection</b></p> 	<p><b>St Aloysius’ Church Parish Expenses The Second Collection</b></p> 
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**First Collection Sunday 5 April £1,909.44 : Contactless Machine: £638.00  
Maundy Thursday Collection for the Poor: £403.32  
Good Friday Collection for Holy Places: £885.72**

**MASS TEXTS AND READING**

**Entrance Antiphon** 1 Pt 2:2  
Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

**First Reading** Acts 2:42-47  
‘All who believed were together and had all things in common.’

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 118(117):2-4. 13-15b. 22-24. R. 1  
Give praise to the Lord, for he is good, his mercy endures for ever.

**Second Reading** 1 Pt 1:3-9  
‘He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.’

**Gospel Acclamation** Jn 20:29  
You believed, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.

**Gospel** John 20:19-31  
‘Eight days later, Jesus came.’

**Communion Antiphon** Jn 20:27  
Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

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