

# St Aloysius' Church

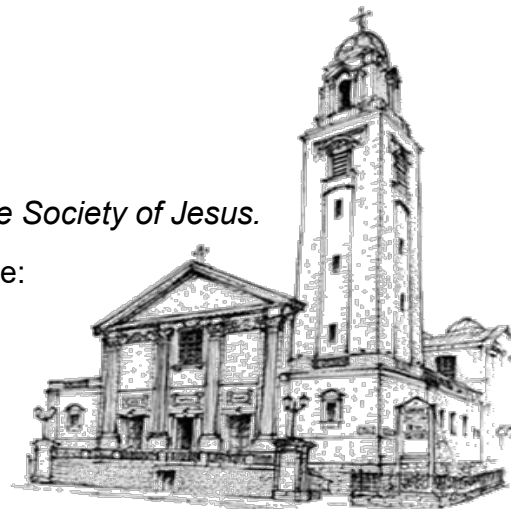
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Fr Ladislav Sulik SJ Fr Roger Dawson SJ Fr Peter Griffiths SJ



5 October 2025

Twenty Seventh 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  
**Exposition begins today at 3 p.m.**

## Archdiocese of Glasgow Annual Safeguarding Announcement 2025/2026

Everybody has the right to be safe no matter who they are or what their circumstances. Safeguarding is about protecting everyone from harm, abuse or neglect. We are all responsible for the safety of children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Our annual statement is read out around the time of the feast of the Holy Guardian Angels which falls on the 2nd of October. In echoing this spirit of guardianship, we would like to remind us all of our obligation to make our parish communities safe and welcoming places. This is, in part, how we live out the Gospel. Archbishop Nolan wants to extend his thanks to everyone in the parish for taking part in this, with a particular mention to our Clergy, Parish Safeguarding Coordinator(s), group leaders, and volunteers; as we work together to ensure that our people, places and activities are safe.

As society's understanding of safeguarding develops, so too do our procedures and

practices, which are designed to create a safe culture. Our safe recruitment practices ensure that volunteers only start their ministry once a series of suitability checks have been completed, including a Protection of Vulnerable Groups, or PVG, check if appropriate.

We have reporting measures so that concerns can be passed on. Our Mandatory Reporting Policy is designed to ensure that any allegations of abuse are reported to the police. Safeguarding training ensures that volunteers, group leaders and Parish Safeguarding Coordinators know what to do if a safeguarding situation arises.

Whilst statutory procedures such as PVG checks are an essential and a mandatory part of our protocols, adopting a culture of care is equally important – being vigilant, looking out for each other, and passing on any concerns.

Full details of safeguarding staff for the Archdiocese can be found on the safeguarding page of the Archdiocese of Glasgow website and there is a poster at the back of this church with the details of the Parish Safeguarding Coordinator

Please contact the Parish Priest, the Parish Safeguarding coordinator or Caterina O'Connor, the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser if you have any concerns about a safeguarding matter.

**St Aloysius' Safeguarding Coordinator Mr Michael O'Duffin** Email: [staloyusius.garnethill-psc@rcag.org.uk](mailto:staloyusius.garnethill-psc@rcag.org.uk) Telephone: 07307 697232

## **PRAY & ACT FOR GAZA TUESDAY 7 OCTOBER FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY**

Justice & Peace Scotland invites us to "Pray and Act for Gaza" as we approach two years of war in the Holy Land. On Tuesday 7th October, please join our "Light a Prayer for Peace" action by lighting a candle and saying a prayer for peace. You are also encouraged to write to your MP urgently calling for action to end the suffering in Gaza. Find out more and download a template letter here:

[www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk/Light-a-Prayer-for-Peace](http://www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk/Light-a-Prayer-for-Peace)

Masses will be offered for Peace in Gaza at 8 a.m., 12.15 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart from after 12.15 Mass until 5 p.m. At 5 p.m. the Rosary will be recited for peace in the Lady Chapel.

On Tuesday 7th October we are invited to pray for peace in the Holy Land on the second anniversary of the terrible terrorist attack on Israel that killed over 1000 people. Please take the chance to pray, in church or at home, for peace and reconciliation in a land that has been so marked by violence and despair. <https://www.youtube.com/shorts/Qr1yninsZMQ>.

## **Glasgow : European City of Jewish Heritage**

Celebration and Thanksgiving Event Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2-4 p.m., Garnethill Synagogue 129 Hill Street. Join us for a joyous occasion as Glasgow is officially recognised as a European City of Jewish Heritage. We will honour the city's long-standing support for the Jewish Community as part of Glasgow's 850<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations. The event will feature music, reflection, and community spirit. Guest of honour: Lord Provost Jacqueline McLaren. Tickets free and available from <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FGEU>

**Winter Warm Hub** - Our warm hub for the winter will commence on Wednesday 8 October from 5.00 pm to 8.00 pm. The Winter Warm Hub will be open to welcome people, young and old, individuals, families and children. The church hall (the Auditorium, 2nd floor) will be open at 25 Rose Street as a hub for people to utilise. All are welcome. Join us for a hot meal or take the opportunity to read, play board games, have a coffee and socialise.

**Jesuit Young Adult Ministries:** offer an extensive programme of activities and meetings every Sunday evening at 7.00 pm in the Ignatian Spirituality Centre at 35 Scott Street, G3 6PE. We begin at 6.45pm for 7pm: a light meal is prepared, followed by a talk and discussion or prayer time with the option to attend 9.00 pm Sunday Mass. You can download the monthly programme offer or the whole programme for 2025-26 here: <https://www.stalloysiusglasgow.org/yam/>

**Assisted Dying (Scotland) Bill:** SPUC (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children) are holding a Mass Lobby of MSPs at the Scottish Parliament, Holyrood, Edinburgh on Tuesday 7th October, 10am - 3pm. To take part, go to [spuc.org.uk/event/mass-lobby-of-holyrood-against-assisted-suicide/](http://spuc.org.uk/event/mass-lobby-of-holyrood-against-assisted-suicide/).

**Accompanying in Hope** Thank you to all those who attended Accompanying in Hope on Saturday 20th in Edinburgh when we joined with members of the Jesuit parish there for a day of prayer, reflection and discussions. Following that gathering all are invited to **Jubilee Year of Hope: Reflection Day on Prayer and Accompanying in Hope** : Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 10.30 - 3pm., Ogilvie Centre, St Aloysius Church Includes Mass and lunch - all are welcome. Experience praying with scripture and using your imagination; time for silence, reflection and community with the Ignatian Spirituality Centre, Glasgow. For more information or to sign up please contact [marianne.lucchesi@iscglasgow.co.uk](mailto:marianne.lucchesi@iscglasgow.co.uk)

**The Jesuit Parishes Conference with the theme Accompanying in Hope** will take place at Highgate House, Northants from 12-14 November. Fr Mitchell, Fr Sulik, Anne Walker, Mary-Jo Hillier, Anne Muldoon, Brian Burns, Paul Matheson, Alison Fletcher, Sharon Granam Eleanor Burket, Marianne Lucchesi and Catriona Fletcher from St Aloysius will participate in the conference. Danny Curtin be facilitator and he will be joined at the Conference by Fr James Hanvey SJ and Fr Matthew Noones, a priest of the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

**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

**RCIA:** The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for adults who seek to become members of the Church. Meetings are on Monday evenings at 7.30 p.m. in the Ogilvie Centre, 25 Rose Street, G3 6RE. If you or someone you know would like to find out more about becoming a member of the Church, please speak to Fr. Sulik or Fr Mitchell or email [stalloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk](mailto:stalloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk) or phone the Parish Office 0141 332 3039

**Visitors to St Aloysius Welcome:** We welcome all visitors who are on holiday or travelling at this time of the year. A guide to the church is available at the back of the church. Teas and Coffees are available after the 10 a.m. Sunday Mass on the first floor of the Ogilvie Centre.

**Mission Month:** October is the traditional month for praying for the Missions. Please take a copy of the Missio magazine that is available for free at the back of the church and please pray daily for the spread of the Faith throughout the world..

**Glasgow Torchlight Procession to mark 57th Anniversary of the Abortion Act** Please join the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children in Glasgow on Thursday 24th October for the annual torchlight procession to commemorate 57 years since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act, which has led to the loss of more than 10 million lives here in the UK. This is a solemn and prayerful event to pray for an end to abortion. 6:30 pm – Rosary in George Square 7:00 pm – Begin procession to St. Andrew’s Cathedral 7:30 pm – Mass in St. Andrew’s Cathedral

**Pause for Hope:** An Ecumenical Service for all people affected by Cancer. Sunday 26th October at 4pm in Croftfoot United Free Church, 349 Carmunnock Road, G44 5HH. Reflection by Rev Leslie Edge, Chaplain to the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice. You will hear of the work of the Hospice and a collection will be taken up for the vital work of the Hospice. You will have the opportunity to light a candle and leave a prayer intention for yourself or people you know who have been affected by cancer. Please join us for refreshments, information and chat afterwards. All Welcome.



**BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD**, 14 - 17 NOVEMBER 2025 3-day retreat led by Fr Roger Dawson SJ. Help to find a greater attentiveness and disposition to God’s presence through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment. CHRISTIAN HERITAGE CENTRE, STONYHURST, BB7 9PZ. 01254 827084

**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 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@stalloysius.org](mailto:admissions@stalloysius.org) | 0141 332 3190

**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.

**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.

<b>St Aloysius' Church The First Collection</b> 	<b>St Aloysius' Church Parish Expenses The Second Collection</b> 
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**First Collection: £1269.60**

**Second Collection: £397.16 Parish Expenses**

**This Weeks Second Collection is for Parish Expenses**

**Laudato Si Autumn Fayre** Thank you to all who helped with the Laudato Si Autumn Fayre and thank you for all kind donations and to all who gave their support . £500 was raised for the Otonga Foundation. The Otonga Foundation was founded in 1997 with the aim of preserving the world's green "lung" and all the creatures it contains, including the children of indigenous people to whom scholarships are awarded through educational projects. The Otonga Foundation exists to defend from destruction the forest located on the western slopes of the Andean mountain range, and at the same time, to preserve the region's rich plant and animal biodiversity.

### **Liturgical Calendar**

**Tuesday 7 October**

**Our Lady of the Rosary**

**Memorial**

#### **MASS TEXTS AND READING**

Entrance Antiphon: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all..

**First Reading**

Prophet Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 'The righteous shall live by his faith.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 95(94):1-2. 6-7b. 7c-9. R. 7c, 8a

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts.'

**Second Reading**

Letter of St Paul to Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

'Do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord.'

**Gospel Acclamation**

1 Pt 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia. The word of the Lord remains for ever and this word is the good news that was preached to you.

**Gospel**

Luke 17:5-10 'If you had faith.'

**Communion Antiphon**

Lm 3:25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

**LDS**