

St Aloysius' Church

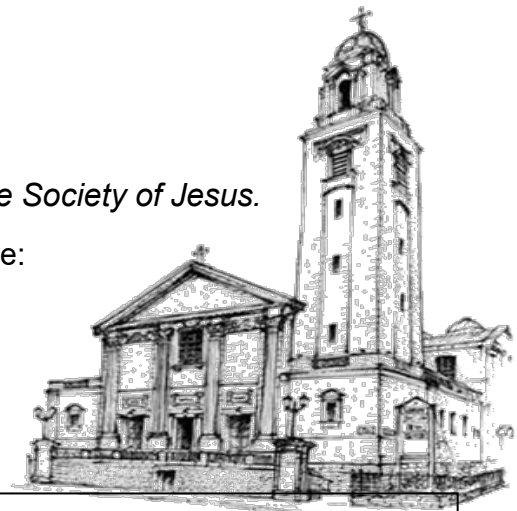
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8 February 2026

Sunday 5 in Ordinary Time

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 Every Sunday after the 12.00 noon Mass

Sacrament of the Sick: Liturgy of Anointing.

World Day of the Sick Wednesday 11 February
The Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated at the 12.15pm Mass. All who are sick, frail or elderly are welcome to attend this simple rite of prayer and anointing.

Shrove Tuesday – 17th February Pancake lunch after 12.15 Mass – all are welcome

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday 18 February – Masses with the distribution of ashes are at 8am, 12.15 pm and 5.30 pm.

Day of Prayer

for Those who have Suffered Abuse
Friday 20 February

Mass Times: 8 a.m., 12.15 and 5.30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross to mark the Day of Prayer for Abuse Victims after 12.15 & Mass. On this national Day of Prayer for Those who have Suffered Abuse, the faithful are invited to join their prayers with those of the Catholic Church throughout Scotland for people in our families and communities who carry within themselves

the deep and traumatic wounds of abuse in any way inflicted by the Church.

Small Faith Sharing Groups for Lent in the Ogilvie Centre: Thursday 19th, 27th February

5th, 12th, 19th March after the 12.15 Mass. Light refreshments will be served. On Thursday 19 February we shall follow the gospel for the First Sunday of Lent **Matthew 4:1-11 Jesus fasts for forty days and is tempted.** Anne Muldoon will lead the group.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING



The Jesuit Community in Glasgow, the Principal of St Aloysius' College, the Director of the Ignatian Spirituality Centre, the Parish Priest of St Aloysius' Church and the Coordinator of the St Aloysius' Refugee Language School warmly invite all our friends and colleagues, parishioners, parents, families and young people, our pupils & Old Aloysians to a Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate our shared mission and life.

Friday 20 March, 6.00 pm
St Aloysius' Church
followed by a reception
in St Aloysius' College Hall.
RSVP Mrs J McWilliams
at CFAdmin@staloyusius.org
by Friday 13 March

SPUC White Flower Appeal: next weekend 15 January with a retiring collection. “We are using substantial resources to reach out to vulnerable women in crisis pregnancies, supporting them both financially and with expert advice. ARCH, our post-abortion helpline continues to be an invaluable source of support to women, men and families suffering after an experience of abortion. As Pope Leo has reminded us, “No one is exempt from striving to ensure respect for the dignity of every person, especially the most frail and vulnerable, from the unborn to the elderly.”

The next foodbank collection will take place over the weekend of 21st and 22nd February. Priority items this month are: UHT milk, diluting juice, tinned carrots, tinned peas, small jars of pasta sauce, tinned fruit, biscuits, toiletries. Thank you for your support. <http://glasgowne.foodbank.org.uk>

The Passion According to Matthew : Preparing for Holy Week & Easter Wednesday 11th
Wednesday 18th March After 12.15 Mass repeated in the evenings at 6.15 pm with Mass beforehand at 5.30pm
Light refreshments will be served. A study of the passion of Jesus in the gospel of Matthew from the Last supper to the Burial of Jesus.

Through Lent with St Matthew: a retreat for Lent 2026 from the Ignatian Spirituality Centre. The retreat can be accessed www.onlineprayer.net/L26-M/. A book that accompanies the retreat is available at the back of the church.

Shroud Of Turin As we approach the time of Good Friday and Easter in the Church’s calendar, focus increases on one of the most fascinating of Christian relics – the Shroud of Turin. Many believe that this is the actual shroud that the body of Jesus was wrapped in after his crucifixion, and it certainly is the most discussed and most examined relic in Christendom. David McKenzie, a parishioner, is a member of the British Shroud of Turin Society; David will be giving an illustrated talk about the Shroud, its history, why it causes so much controversy and the unanswered questions that still surround it. This talk will be after the 12:00 mass (around 1:30p.m.) in the Ogilvie Centre on Sunday 22nd February. A buffet lunch and refreshments will be available. Parishioners and their friends are invited to join us.

Peregrinatio Pro Christi (Travelling for Christ): Every year some members of the Legion of Mary volunteer to take part in a Peregrinatio Pro Christi project (PPC) to another country. This coming Holy Week a group from Ireland will be travelling to Scotland to help with evangelisation in St Aloysius’, Garnethill. They will be assisted by legionaries from Glasgow. We would like to invite you to pray for this project which begins on Saturday 28 March and ends on Saturday 4 April. We are also looking for kind members of our community who would be happy to offer our visitors a bed for the night during their time with us.

Glasgow 850 Sponsored Interfaith Walk: Experiencing Glasgow’s Religious Diversity, Supporting Interfaith Engagement, **Saturday 28 March** 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. If you would like to participate in the walk or if you would like to sponsor one of the participants please use this link <https://tinyurl.com/Glasgow850InterfaithWalk>

RCAG Young Adults – Holiness in Ordinary Life: RCAG Youth invites young adults aged 16–35 to the first session of our Spring Series, *Holiness in Ordinary Life*. This evening will help young adults embrace their universal call to holiness by exploring how God’s presence can be woven into the ordinary routines of everyday life. Wednesday, 12 February, 7–9 pm, Eyre Hall, 196 Clyde Street G1 4JY. **Register at RCAGyouth.co.uk** All young adults are welcome.

St Aloysius parish and the Ignatian Spirituality Centre - Growing in Faith sessions - Deepening faith and exploring the gift of active listening - **Four Saturdays 10.30 - 3pm.** 17 January, 21 February, 21 March, and 18 April. These are designed for individual growth in faith so include prayer together and alone, and also to help us answer the call of Pope Leo to be a church of accompaniers / listeners - so there will be some input on how to do this as well as opportunities to put it into practice. We will have the morning together with input, prayer and reflection. We will break for Mass at 12.15 and then lunch. In the afternoon there will be more time for prayer and input especially on the skills of being better listeners. We will finish at 3pm.



There is no cost to the days but donations would be welcome for those who are able to contribute. We look forward to seeing you. If you can't come to all the days please come along to the ones you can. Please feel free to invite any friends to join us. Also, a **Retreat in Daily Life** starting after 12.00 Mass on Sunday 22 March. This lasts a week and gives individuals the opportunity to meet with a prayer guide every day. If you wish to find out more or sign up for the programme, please email marianne.lucchesi@iscglasgow.co.uk for a link to the form or further information, please use the QR code

Assisted Suicide Bill: Ask MSPs to vote 'No' on Bill to legalise Assisted Suicide. Parliament has rejected safeguards to help the most vulnerable live and is expected to hold a final vote in February/March 2026 on a bill which will decide whether assisted suicide becomes legal in Scotland. Such a bill will undermine the right to life and put vulnerable people at risk of coming under pressure to end their lives prematurely. At this stage the best thing to do is to arrange a surgery appointment with Constituency and List MSPs and speak directly to them The MSPs that represent you want to know what you think. If they vote against, they must be able to say that people have contacted them and expressed this view. Please visit <https://carenotkilling.scot/> to contact your MSP.



Don't Miss Out: Financial Help for Scots in 2026. As households across Scotland continue to feel the pressure of the cost-of-living crisis, many people may be missing out on vital financial support they are entitled to. To find out more about benefits that may be available, visit mygov.scot/benefits

Archdiocese of Glasgow Lourdes Pilgrimage: Bookings are now open for anyone wishing to join the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, taking place from 16th July to 23rd July. For information about the pilgrimage go to <https://joewalshstours.co.uk/tours/glasgow-pilgrimage-to-lourdes/> If you are interested in attending, or you have any questions or require further information, please contact the Pilgrimage Office at pilgrimage@rcag.org.uk. We look forward to hearing from you.

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

**St Aloysius' Church
The First Collection**



**St Aloysius' Church Parish Expenses
The Second Collection**



First Collection Sunday 25 January : £1,214.12 Second Collection Assisted Parishes: £290.44
Contactless Machine: £440.04

Liturgical Calendar

Tuesday 10 February Saint Scholastica, Virgin

Wednesday 11 February Our Lady of Lourdes

Saturday 14 Saints Cyril, monk, and Methodius,

Requiem Mass of Michael Devine 10 a.m. Friday 13 February.

Reception of body Thursday 12 February at 5.30 p.m.

Requiem Mass of Thomas Kearney 10 a.m. Thursday 19 February

Reception of body Wednesday 17 February 6.30 p.m.

Universalis The readings for Sunday and weekday Masses are available free online at the Universalis website. The site also has the daily Prayer of the Church (the 'DivineOffice'). universalis.com/index.htm

MASS TEXTS AND READINGS

Entrance Antiphon:

(Ps 95 (94): 6-7)

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

First reading

Isaiah 58:6-10

Then will your light shine like the dawn.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 112(111):4-5. 6-7. 8a, 9. R4a

The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.

Second reading

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus as the crucified Christ

Gospel Acclamation

John 8:12

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 5:13-16

'You are the light of the world.'

Communion Antiphon:

Cf. Ps 107 (106): 8-9

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

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