# St Aloysius' Church

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A Church of the Archdiocese of Glasgow founded and served by the Society of Jesus.

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7 September 2025

# Twenty Third 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** 12.15 pm & 5.00 pm (Vigil)

**Confessions** Mon-Sun 30 minutes before Mass Confessions after 8 a.m. Mass on request

**Exposition** Every Sunday after 12.00 Noon Mass

Walk the Cross: Scotland, pick up your cross and join us on the 4 Nations 'Walk the Cross' 2025! Walk in honour of the hearts of Jesus and Mary from St. Andrew's Cathedral, Glasgow to Carfin over 2 days: Sat September 13th to Uddingston and Sun 14th to Carfin (walk begins 9.00am both days). Or simply join us in Carfin on the Sunday for Adoration at 3pm followed by refreshments. Holy Mass at 4.15pm. For more information visit www.walkthecross.ie or text Pauline 07508561799.

Doors Open Day Volunteers are needed to help with Doors Open Day this September Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September (**not Saturday 20**<sup>th</sup>) If you would like to get involved, please email: staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk or call 0141 332 3039

Season of Creation Picnic for the Planet, Sunday 7 September at 1.30 pm St Aloysius' Parish and Jesuit Missions invite you to Season of Creation Sustainability Picnic in the Ogilvie Centre.

Accompanying in Hope
Saturday 20th September, Edinburgh
workshop 11 am – 3.30 .00 pm
Sacred Heart Church, Lauriston
"Let us all walk together..." Pope Leo XIV

The Scottish Jesuit parishes of St Aloysius Glasgow and Sacred Heart Edinburgh will join together on Saturday 20 September 10:30 — 3.30pm in Edinburgh for a day of prayer, reflection and discussion.

Please do join us. A bus will leave for Edinburgh at 9.30 a.m. Thank you to all those who have already signed up to attend the workshop. If others would like to attend please fill in your details on the list at the back of the church or email

staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk to let us know you will be attending.

On Saturday 20 September Morning Mass will be celebrated at 8.45 a.m. After the Mass the church will close and will reopen in time for the Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. Please note there will be no lunch time confessions or 12.15 Mass on Saturday 20 September.

Scan the QR Code to watch an invitation from our workshop facilitator.



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 <a href="mailto:staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk">staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk</a> or phone the Parish Office 0141 332 3039

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**: The programme for 2025-2026 will continue this Monday 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

**BBC Recording:** Please note on Tuesday 16 September the church will close after the 12.15 Mass to allow the BBC to record the St Aloysius' College Schola with Fr Adrian Porter SJ.

**BBC Radio Scotland New Every Sunday:** An Act of Worship led by Fr Gerard Mitchell, SJ at 7 a.m. Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September

**National Pilgrimage to Carfin** takes place on Sunday 7th September, with Mass at 3.15pm. Everyone is warmly invited to make these pilgrimages this Holy Year.

**Peace with Creation: Seasons of Creation 2025:** These sessions are online via Zoom from 7-8.30pm. 11<sup>th</sup> September: *The Reality of Climate Change* with Blessings Kachale (Programme Officer for Climate Just Communities – SCIAF); 18<sup>th</sup> September: Laudato Si Schools – Seeds of Hope with Anne-Marie Clements (Catholic Social Teaching Engagement Officer – Justice and Peace Scotland); 25<sup>th</sup> September: Eco Congregations – Communities of Hope with David Coleman, Margareth McPhail and Eileen McQuade. For further information go to <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1d2fkbjLwZsrNTCGw1M8AvpwAYEIJ0UAx/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1d2fkbjLwZsrNTCGw1M8AvpwAYEIJ0UAx/view</a>

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.

Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill: The Bill, which narrowly passed through the House of Commons by 314-291 votes, is expected to return to Parliament on 12th September with further scrutiny and debate in the days which follow. If it is to become law, the Bill must be supported by the Lords. The House of Lords would normally be expected to support a Bill where there is a solid majority in the Commons, but because the Commons majority for this Bill is just 23 votes and, crucially, the Bill is not a Government Bill, it is still possible that the Lords could reject it. Please consider contacting members of the House of Lords (especially those from Glasgow, since they are more likely to be interested in local views) and asking them to vote against it. If you google Care Not Killing or SPUC their websites offer some of the arguments against the Bill that you might want to use.

TAKE ACTION: a new EasyAction tool to help you email a few Peers directly. It creates a tailored message that highlights a key concern with the Bill and ensures it reaches the right Peers. Please take action and copy and use the link below to email Peers now. It only takes 30 seconds. : https://righttolife.org.uk/?s=email+peers

**Autumn Fayre** You are warmly invited to an Autumn Fayre 'Peace with Creation' on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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

Explore Jesuit Missions' Festive Shop: This festive season, your purchase can help transform lives. By choosing our Christmas cards and gifts, you're supporting vital projects in places like South Sudan, India and Ethiopia, where we work alongside local communities to promote social justice, sustainable development, and human dignity. In addition to Christmas cards, there are gifts, such as Chistmas crackers, wrapping paper and tags and advent calendars. To order: info@jesuitmissions.org.uk

**Bishops' Conference of Scotland Job Vacancy:** *National Director of Marriage, Family & Life Office.* Hours: 15 hours per week; Salary: £11,746 per annum. Contract: 2 years with possibility of renewal. Closing Date: 26<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The National Office for Marriage, Family and Life works alongside and is supported by the National Commission for Marriage, Family and Life. They are responsible for the apostolate of the domestic church and promote the teaching and pastoral activity of the Church in marriage, family and life issues. For further information go to <a href="https://www.bcos.org.uk/Home/Article-Details/ArticleID/3152/VACANCY-National-Director-of-Marriage-Family-Life-Office">https://www.bcos.org.uk/Home/Article-Details/ArticleID/3152/VACANCY-National-Director-of-Marriage-Family-Life-Office</a>

Please forward application letter and CV to info@marriagefamilyandlife.org.uk

**Pilgrims of Hope:** AGAP Theatre presents "Pilgrim of Hope" (an uplifting comedy for the Jubilee Year). Straight from the Edinburgh Fringe, the hit play based upon themes in Pope Francis' letter for the Year of Hope! Written and Performed by Stephen Callaghan. Friday 3rd October 2025 at 7.30pm in St. Helen's Parish Hall, 32 Langside Avenue Glasgow G41 2QS Tickets: £10/£7/£5 (Pay What You Can – you choose.) from the parish or <a href="www.agap.org.uk/pilgrimofhope">www.agap.org.uk/pilgrimofhope</a> or call 0749 534 7884.

Walking the St Mungo Way 11-14<sup>th</sup> September: A new pilgrim route from Culross Abbey to Glasgow Cathedral, Castle Street, inaugurated in the 850<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of Glasgow being granted the status of a Bishop's burgh. Join Rev Dr Grant Barclay, Presbytery Clerk, Church of Scotland Glasgow Presbytery at 8.30 am on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September at Culross Abbey as he leads the Pilgrim Route connecting Mungo's birthplace with a major seat of his ministry and the place of his death, traversing the Forth and continuing through Scotland's historical industrial heartland, largely following the Union and Forth and Clyde canals. There will be opportunities for reflection and prayer. We would hope that you will join us as we pass through your parishes and communities for a short part of the way. The walk will end with a Prayer Service in Glasgow Cathedral, at 4pm on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September All Welcome.

### **Liturgical Calendar**

Monday 8 SeptemberThe Nativity of the Blessed Virgin MaryFeastTuesday 9 SeptemberSt Peter Claver, SJMemorialSaturday 13 SeptemberSt John ChrysostomMemorial

**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: <a href="mailto:office.manager.staloysius@gmail.com">office.manager.staloysius@gmail.com</a>. 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.

St Aloysius' Church The First Collection



St Aloysius' Church Parish Expenses
The Second Collection



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Contactless Machine: £474.00 This Weeks Second Collection is for Parish Expenses

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#### MASS TEXTS AND READING

Entrance Antiphon Ps 118: 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

First Reading Wisdom 9:13-18

'Who can discern what the Lord wills?.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 90 (89):3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14, 17. R. 1

O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

Second Reading

St Paul to Philemon 9b-10, 12-17

'Have him back no longer as a bondservant but as a beloved brother.'

**Gospel Acclamation** 

Ps 119 (118):135

Alleluia, alleluia. Let your face shine forth on your servant, and teach me your decrees.

Gospel Luke 14:25-33

'Anyone who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.'

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Cf. Ps 41:2-3

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.