

# St. Matthew's Family Parish

## Moving Forward in Faith



## 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR MISSION SUNDAY

18<sup>th</sup> October 2026

### Readings :

First – Is 45 : 1, 4 - 6

Psalm – 96 (95)

**“Ascribe to the LORD glory and power”**

Second – 1 Thes 1 : 1 - 5

Gospel - Matthew 22 : 15 - 21

### MASS TIMES & CONFESSIONS

Sunday Masses : Vigil 5:30pm, 9:30am and 11:00am.

Holiday of Obligation Masses : Vigil 6pm and 10:00am.

Weekday Masses : Monday to Friday, 10:00am.

Daily Adoration : Monday to Friday 9:30 am. (Confessions on request during adoration).

Confessions : Friday after 10:00am Mass and 5:00pm before Vigil mass.

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Items for inclusion in the newsletter can be sent to: [newsletterstmatthews@gmail.com](mailto:newsletterstmatthews@gmail.com)

Items **must** be received **before** the **Friday** prior to publication!

## 29<sup>th</sup> WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

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| Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>    | Weekday in ordinary time / Saint John de Brébeuf, Saint Isaac Jogues, priests, and companions, martyrs / Saint Paul of the Cross, priest |
| Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>   | Weekday in ordinary time                                                                                                                 |
| Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> | Weekday in ordinary time                                                                                                                 |
| Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>  | Weekday in ordinary time / Saint John Paul II, pope                                                                                      |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>    | Weekday in ordinary time / Saint John of Capistrano, priest                                                                              |
| Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>  | Saturday in ordinary time Saint Anthony Mary Claret, bishop                                                                              |



## CHILDREN'S' CORNER

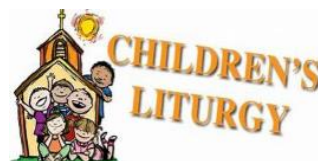


### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy is open to children of all ages.

Thank you to all our parents who bring their children to mass.

If you are able to help please contact **Jennifer McPherson** on **07748 707842**. Thank you!



### BAPTISMS

If you wish to have your child baptised, then please speak to Fr. Alex to make arrangements.

### DATES FOR SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Confirmation – Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Feb – 7pm

Sacrament of First Reconciliation – Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Feb – 6pm

Sacrament of First Holy Communion – Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> May – 11am

### DAILY ADORATION



This takes place prior to the weekday masses at **9.30am**.

Volunteers to lead Morning Prayer and/or Rosary are invited.

The Sacrament of Confession is available at request during adoration.

### CONFESSION

Confession is available Mon – Fri during adoration and **before** Vigil at **5pm** on a Saturday!

### PARISH LOTTERY

Next draw is due to take place on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> of October. If you wish to join the Lottery, please complete the form at the back of the church, or contact John Feechan on 07526 335497

### PARISH COLLECTIONS

11th Oct : First collection - £1,399.95

Second collection - £ 866.30

The second collection this Sunday is for Missio Scotland. Thank you for your continued generosity.

### HAVE YOU MISLAID SOMETHING...?

If you think you have left something – umbrella, glasses, gloves, etc., - at the Chapel please check the 'lost property' cupboard at the rear of the vestibule, or ask a Passkeeper. Any unidentified items not collected within a month will be donated to charity or otherwise disposed of.

### ST MATTHEW'S WEBSITE

Please note, that our website <https://stmatthewsbishopbriggs.co.uk/> has been updated and thank you to Brian Kilcoyne for designing and creating our new parish website. We are very grateful for the time, effort and care he has put into this project. We invite everyone to visit the new website.

### BISHOPBRIGGS BANKING HUB – FRAUD AWARENESS EVENT

Hosted by Police Scotland and Trading Standards on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November from 9:30- 1pm**. They will be on hand to offer advice and support on keeping your money safe. Pop along and find out more.

### MEMORIES...

As part of the parish celebrations, we are looking for pictures and memories of parish life.

If you have digital photographs please send them to [saintmatthews80@yahoo.com](mailto:saintmatthews80@yahoo.com)

Please include, if possible, the names of people in the images and the dates.

If you have physical pictures, we will be setting up drop in sessions where you can get your pictures scanned and added to the collection.

### DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE – APRIL 2027

As part of the parishes 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, we are proposing a Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Krakow and Warsaw. This would be for 5 nights/6days – cost £1095 – flying from Glasgow, half boards. Visiting places connected to Divine Mercy, St Faustina and St John Paul II. If you are interested, please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



After **10am** mass on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October to 27<sup>th</sup> October**, final benediction with Lourdes Healing service at **7pm**.

Anyone who wishes to participate in the adoration of the Lord, then there will be a sign-up sheet (30 minute blocks) at the back of the church. Thank you!



### LOURDES WATER HEALING SERVICE

We will be having our Lourdes Water Healing Service on

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October, 7pm** which will also conclude our annual 40 hours!

All welcome!

### MASS FOR OUR DEAD

Our Annual Holy Mass for the souls of our beloved deceased in 2026 (from Mid November 2025 to November 2026) will take place at **7pm** on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November**. All are welcome. A candle will be lit for each deceased person by their family. Families will be contacted accordingly.



### YOUNG CARITAS SCOTLAND

SCIAF is launching Young Caritas Scotland, a new movement for young adults who want to put their faith into action, meet likeminded people from the global church, and help build a better world.

A space to connect with young people across in Scotland and across the world and turn frustration into something hopeful. More information and details of how to join our movement can be found at [www.sciaf.org.uk/youngcaritas](http://www.sciaf.org.uk/youngcaritas)

### RCAG YOUTH 2026/27 YOUNG ADULT SESSIONS

**On the Road: A Pilgrimage to Heaven | Ages 16–35 | Monthly 1900–2100 | RCAG Youth Office**

Come and journey with us! Discover what it means to follow Christ with courage, grow as His witnesses and take your next step as disciples. Each evening includes prayer, reflection, pizza and fellowship. Find out more and register: [www.rcagyouth.co.uk](http://www.rcagyouth.co.uk)

### NEWMAN ASSOCIATION

God as Nothing - A talk by Gilbert Markus: The Parish Hall, Immaculate Conception Church, 2049 Maryhill Road, Glasgow, G20 0AA at 7.30pm on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2026** . All welcome. Refreshments provided.

## SAFEGUARDING

We all have responsibilities as Catholic Christians. As members of our parish we are in the privileged position to be able to notice when those around us may be subject to harm. For example, it is estimated that one in four women in Scotland experience abuse in their lifetime - they may be at Mass with you right now. Our role is not to directly investigate or take control – that is the job of the statutory authorities, but we do have a responsibility to be vigilant and to pass on any concerns. If you do have any concerns, please don't keep them to yourself – please share them with myself as safeguarding coordinator, or with the Parish Priest, or with the Safeguarding Office.

Looking out for each other is a crucial part of creating the 'culture of care' that we should all aspire to in our parishes and groups. Archbishop Nolan would like to express his sincere thanks to our Clergy, Parish Safeguarding Coordinator(s), Safeguarding Staff, group leaders, and volunteers; as we work together in safeguarding.

## FORMING A GENERATION

On **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November from 6.30-8.30pm** in St Andrew's Cathedral, 196 Clyde St, there will be an evening offered by Mark10 Mission and Alpha UK in conjunction with the RE Department of the Archdiocese, in helping children and young people encounter Jesus and become his disciples. This will be an evening of inspiration, practical formation, testimony, prayer and worship for anyone (clergy, parish catechists, children's liturgy groups, school staff from both Primary & Secondary sector) who wants to share the Catholic faith with children and young people.

This is more than an evening of training. It is an opportunity to be encouraged in your own faith, to pray and worship together and to rediscover the extraordinary mission we share: to help a new generation know Jesus Christ and follow him.

Register at <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/forming-a-generation> or come along on the evening- you would be most welcome!

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND FOR THE DEAD

We remember in our prayers all those who are sick especially, Erin Green and her newborn son Rian Yates, baby Paul Hughes, John Vass, Chris Ramsay, Mark McAuley, Moira Campbell and all members of our parish community and friends who are currently in hospital, going through surgery or residing in care homes.

We pray in a special way for babies and children who are unwell, asking for God's healing, comfort and peace for all of them and their families. Thank you!

## RECENT DEAD

Agnes McDade, Frieda Lang, Brian Aitken, Josephine Cathal, Bridie Gallagher, Josephine Leathal, Sr. Patricia McMenamin, Joe Robb, Maurice Le Blanc, Isabel Reilly, Catherine Heaney, Ann Alison McKinnon, Canon John McGorry, Michael Murphy, Jim Docherty, Clare Kearney, Alan Dakers, Alec Henderson.

## ANNIVERSARY

Michael McGettigan, Jackie Kane, James Sharkey, Winifred Murray, Rena Hurrell, Catherine McCulloch  
*+Requiescant in pace+*

## FUNERAL

Agnes McDade      Funeral Mass      Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 10am

## THANK YOU



To all our parishioners who continue to accompany our bereaved families throughout the year. Your prayers and presence at our Funeral Masses are constant and deeply valued.  
Fr A.

## FURTHER INFORMATION & ADDITIONAL NOTICES

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