

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently:
The Months Minds and Anniversaries of: Moira & Aileen Bryson, Neal and Theresa Coyle, John Lawrie, Margaret Lynch & Hugh Rooney.

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The schedule for October Devotions:
 6.00pm The Angelus followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 6.00pm-6.15pm Silent Prayer
 6.15pm Recitation of the Glorious Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
 6.30pm Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

One of the positive affects of covid has been the welcome and care people have received upon entering the Church, so we'd like to continue to provide this service even as things return to normal. Therefore, covid stewards and pass keepers will now amalgamate and become Ministers of Welcome.

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION AND MISSION


Pope Francis invites us all to take part in the Synod which will reflect on these themes. Every parish is asked to come together in prayer, listening and discernment to hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to us. In communion with each other, we experience that "we belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God" (I Corinthians 3.23). Bishop Toal will mark the beginning of this synodal process with the celebration of Mass in Motherwell Cathedral on Sunday 17th October at 3pm. Make a note of this in your diary and take part in this important diocesan event. Please let me know if you wish to attend.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

As we continue to return to normal I'd like to re-establish set times for when the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. The time will be:

Saturdays	9.30am at St Anthony's and 4.30pm at St Mark's.
Sundays	4.30pm at St Anthony's.
Tuesdays	6.30pm at St Anthony's.
Wednesdays	6.00pm-7.00pm at St Mark's.

We'll use the confessional boxes of both Churches. Both have windows which can be opened for air circulation. Sanitising materials will be provided so that the confessional box can be sanitised after each visit.



SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

We now meet every **Tuesday after the 7.00pm Mass in St Anthony's**. Come along if you would like to help as the more members we have would enable us to reach more people in the parish. If you can offer, or if you need any material assistance, then please call or email the Parish.

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

As things continue to get back to normal, it is perhaps a good time to reintroduce the use of Ministers of Holy Communion at Mass. We'd hope to begin using Ministers of Holy Communion again from the weekend of **23rd/24th of October at all Sunday Masses**.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

You may have noticed that some work is being carried out. The roof of St Mark's will have some much needed work done to it in the next week or two as well, the guttering will all be cleared, repaired and painted and serious roof leaks will be repaired. This will involve the use of some scaffolding. The grounds around St Mark's Hall will also be cleared and tidied.
 A South Lanarkshire unpaid working team will begin to clean and paint the exterior fences on Saturdays at St Anthony's and Wednesdays at St Mark's.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE 3RD OF OCTOBER:

Cash (including gift aid envelopes): £1814.18
 Gift Aid to Bank: £659
 Total: £2473.18
 Ecclesiastical Students Fund: £204

ST ANTHONY'S & ST MARK'S

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The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Year B 17th October 2021

SACRAMENT DATES

The dates for first Reconciliation and First Holy Communion have now been confirmed.
St Anthony's Primary School: First Reconciliation: 24th March in the School; First Holy Communion: 10am on the 14th May in St Anthony's Church. St Mark's Primary School: First Reconciliation: 6pm on the 22nd March in St Mark's Church; First Holy Communion: 11am on the 7th May at 11am in St Mark's Church.

SIGNING IN

According the current guidelines, there is no longer any need to sign in upon entering the Church. You can still register with the NHS track and trace QR barcode though.

GIFT AID

Thank you to everyone who has continued to pay offerings to the parish through a variety of methods e.g. in cash, direct to the parish bank account or direct to the Diocesan account. Your generosity, particularly as we experienced the COVID pandemic, has been remarkable.
 Some parishioners who are members of the Gift Aid Scheme have continued to use their envelopes or pay directly into the parish bank account, enabling our Gift Aid Administrators to maintain the records required by HMRC. Some of you who normally use Gift Aid envelopes have been paying into the bank. **If this has been your practice and you intend to continue making payments into the bank rather than use your envelopes, please let me know.** Some Gift Aid envelopes have not been uplifted due to Covid restrictions. If you have now managed to return to attending Mass in person and wish to collect your envelopes, please let me know.

Finally, if you are a UK Taxpayer and make offertory payments to the parish but are not a member of the Gift Aid scheme, perhaps you could consider joining. It is easy to join and costs you nothing - but does provide the parish with a rebate from HMRC for payments you make to the Church. If you would like more information on this, please give me your contact details, or email the parish and I'll get back to you.

WEEKDAY MASS

A sign up sheet will be in the porch of each Church for Readers at weekday Masses. Please add your name to the sheet before Mass if you intend to read. Thank you to all of you who have volunteered 'on the spot' to read over the last few weeks.
 It would also be good to have Altar servers at the weekday Mass. I know we have been well served over the years at weekday Masses, and it would be lovely to keep the tradition going. Would you be willing to serve at Mass in the future? If you are interested in joining a servers team then please let me know.

ORDINARY TIME - WEEK 29

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

SUNDAY 17TH OCTOBER (Readings: Isaiah 53:10-11; Psalm 32; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45)

- 10.00am** Holy Mass for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary time (B) **at St Mark's**
11.30am Holy Mass for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary time (B) **at St Anthony's**
3.00pm **Synod Mass with Bishop Toal at the Diocese of Motherwell Cathedral**
5.00pm Holy Mass for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary time (B) **at St Anthony's**

MONDAY 18TH OCTOBER

THE FEAST OF ST LUKE

St Luke, Evangelist, was a physician from a gentile Christian milieu. He was with St Paul on his second missionary journey and during his imprisonment in Rome. After Paul's death he is reputed to have worked in Greece.

(Readings: 2 Timothy 4: 10-17; Psalm 144; Luke 10: 1-9)

- At St Mark's**
9.00am-10.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
10.00am Holy Mass for the Feast of St Luke
6.00pm **Altar Servers' meeting at St Mark's**
7.00pm **RCIA - St Marks Church House**

TUESDAY 19TH OCTOBER

(Readings: Romans 5:12.15.17-2; Psalm 39; Luke 12:35-38)

- At St Anthony's**
6.00pm - 7.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7.00pm Holy Mass for Tuesday of Week 29 in Ordinary Time followed by the Novena to St Anthony
7.30pm **Altar Servers' meeting at St Anthony's**

WEDNESDAY 20TH OCTOBER

(Readings: Romans 6:12-18; Psalm 123; Luke 12:39-48)

- At St Mark's**
9.30am Recitation of the Glorious Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
10.00am Holy Mass for Wednesday of Week 29 in Ordinary Time
10.30am Tea and Coffee morning in St Mark's Hall
7.30pm **Pro-life Mass at Holy Cross Church, Govanhill**

THURSDAY 21ST OCTOBER

(Readings: Romans 6:19-23; Psalm 1; Luke 12:49-53)

- At St Anthony's**
9.00am-10.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
10.00am Holy Mass for Thursday of Week 29 in Ordinary Time
6.00pm October Devotions at **St Anthony's**
7.00pm **Digital and Social media team meeting at St Mark's Church House.**

FRIDAY 22ND OCTOBER

THE MEMORIAL OF ST JOHN PAUL II

St John Paul II, Pope, 1920-2005, was born in Wadowice, Poland. He felt the call to priesthood during the Nazi occupation of Poland in 1942. Elected Pope in 1978, he made 104 international apostolic journeys, his Wednesday audiences were attended by 17.6 million people and he wrote a number of books.

(Readings: Romans 7:18-25; Psalm 118; Luke 12:54-59)

- At St Mark's**
10.00am Holy Mass for the Memorial of St John Paul II



SATURDAY 23RD OCTOBER

(Readings: Romans 8:1-11; Psalm 23; Luke 13:1-9)

- At St Anthony's**
9.00am-10.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.30am-9.55am Confession available
9.30am Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary
10.00am Holy Mass in Honour of Our Blessed Mother Mary
11.00am Gardening Club Meeting at **St Mark's**

THE 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At the end of extensive teaching on discipleship, there comes a success story. Bartimaeus, the blind beggar, follows the classic steps to discipleship. He responds to Jesus' call, he leaves behind what he has been doing: he leaves his blanket, which is his bed, his protections against the cold, and his livelihood in which he collects donations. Finally, he follows Jesus. Bartimaeus does the opposite of everything the rich man did a couple of weeks ago.

- 4.30pm** Confessions available
5.00pm Vigil Mass for the 30 Sunday in Ordinary time (B) **at St Mark's**

SUNDAY 24TH OCTOBER (Readings: Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 125; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52)

- 10.00am** Holy Mass for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary time (B) **at St Mark's**
11.30am Holy Mass for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary time (B) **at St Anthony's**
3.00pm **Synod Mass with Bishop Toal at the Diocese of Motherwell Cathedral**
5.00pm Holy Mass for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary time (B) **at St Anthony's**

DIGITAL AND SOCIAL MEDIA

A big thank you to all who have been developing the parish website and managing the various social media outlets we use. I would like to meet everyone who works on the website and other forms of digital media. If you would like to volunteer to help work in this area for the parish then please come along to the meeting on **Thursday 21st of October at 7pm in St Mark's Church House.**

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

I'd like to establish books of remembrance for display in each Church. Each month, the book will display the names of parishioners who died during that particular month. Unfortunately, our records are not complete though. Could you please send me the name of anyone you know who has died since the foundation of the Churches for inclusion in the books of remembrance. Hopefully they will be ready for All Souls Day in November.

NOVEMBER LISTS

November lists are now available in the porch of both Churches. Please fill them in and place them in the boxes provided. During the Month of November, Mass will be celebrated in each Church for all of the souls listed on **Tuesday's in St Anthony's and Friday's in St Mark's.**

COP26 CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE: GLASGOW 1-12 NOVEMBER

Pope Francis has led the way on Climate Change with his 2015 Encyclical *Laudato Si*. Now world leaders and politicians are coming to Glasgow to "make a change". You are invited to **St Mark's Church House** on:

- Thursday October 28th at 7pm**
Thursday November 4th at 7pm
Thursday November 18th at 7pm

for a short opportunity to discuss what it means for us. All welcome.

ALTAR SERVERS

Can I please meet the Altar Servers: **St Anthony's after 7pm Mass on Tuesday 19th of October and St Mark's on Monday 18th of October at 6pm in St Mark's Church** ? Thanks.

SCOUT GROUP

The 137th St Columbkille's Scout Group have begun to use the Hall in St Mark's on a **Wednesday evening from 6.30pm until 9pm.** The Scout group is open to young people between the ages of 6 and 25 years old. If you are interested in joining then please go to the hall on Wednesday evenings.