

# ST ANTHONY & ST MARK'S

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## TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C) 21ST SEPTEMBER 2025

<b>HOLY MASS</b>	Tues 7.00 pm at St Anthony's	Sat 5.00 pm Vigil at St Mark's
	Wed 9.30am at St Mark's	Sun 10.00 am at St Mark's
	Thu 9.30am at St Anthony's	Sun 11.30 am at St Anthony's
	Fri 9.30 am at <b>St Anthony's (note change of venue: Funeral)</b>	Sun 1.30 pm at St Anthony's: Syro-Malabar Qurbana
	Sat 9.30am at St Anthony's	Sun 5.00 pm at St Anthony's
<b>HOLY ROSARY</b>	Tue 6.40pm at St Anthony's	Sat 9.00 am at St Anthony's
<b>CONFESSION</b>	Sat 9-9.20am St Anthony's	Sat 4.30-4.50pm St Mark's
		Sun 4.30-4.50pm St Anthony's

### SUNDAY READINGS

Reading 1	Amos 8:4-7	Against those who 'buy the poor for silver'.
Psalm	Ps 113(112)	Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.
Reading 2	1 Timothy 2:1-8	Prayers should be made for all people to God, who desires all people to be saved.
Acclamation	2 Corinthians 8:9	Jesus Christ, though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.
Gospel	Luke 16:1-13	You cannot serve God and money.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Those who died recently, especially:** Ellen Green (funeral Friday 26th Sept 9.30am, St Anthony's; reception Thursday 6pm); Cathy Dougan; Janice Vandermotten.

**Anniversaries:** William Egan; John Hughes Jnr; John Hughes; Patricia Conway; Mary (May) Kelly; John & Julia Conway; Ann McKenna.

**Sick & housebound :** Maureen Maguire; Nora McGinley; Michael Leslie; John Mulheron; Steve Kolbay; Tim Kolbay; Rose McCorley; Catherine Scott; Erin Lavery; Beatrice Hannah; Pauline Mahon; Mary McColgan; Ella Connolly, Isa Daniels, Finn McGuinness, Hope McKenna, May O'Donnell, Margaret Rice; Sandra Morgan; Neil Morton; Steven Murphy; Sandra Burke.

### MINISTERS OF WELCOME TEAM REFRESH

One very positive development which emerged from Covid was the development of the role of Ministers of Welcome. Many still serve to this day, while others have understandably moved on. This is a vital ministry to help make our churches welcoming to weekly attenders (who may not have many people to speak to during the week); visitors; returning Catholics who might be nervous on their return; and those curious about our faith. The first contact may well be crucial in people deciding if they will come back. Like Martha and Mary who welcomed Jesus into their home in Bethany, taking our faith seriously asks us to be hosts as well as guests.

Therefore first of all we would like to recruit **more volunteers**, who can simply be the caring face of our parish, saying hello to those who enter the church, distributing the bulletin and answering any simple questions. You won't be tied to every week but will be part of a team who collaborate and cover for each other.

We will also be **holding an evening** for current Ministers of Welcome, for new Ministers and those wishing to know more. The meeting will outline the importance of the role, the duties involved, and some practical issues. This will be held on **Thursday 2nd October** from 7-8pm in the side chapel at St Anthony's. If you would like to know more or take on this role, but can't make the meeting, please be in touch with Fr Stephen. Please give serious consideration to taking on this role which is so important for our parish.

### SOCIETY OF ST PETER APOSTLE THANKS

Many thanks to you all for contributing to last weekend's mission appeal, which raised an amazing £1,742.

### LIFETEEN PARISH GROUP FOR TEENAGERS BEGINS THIS EVENING

LifeTeen is our Sunday evening parish group for young people aged S2-S5, and after our open evening last Sunday, we'll have our first gathering of the year **today** (Sunday) after 5pm Mass until 7.15pm in the side chapel at St Anthony's. We'll be basing our session this year on the theme of journey. All S2-S5 pupils and their friends are very welcome to come along.

### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING THIS WEEK

We have a great and faithful altar serving team in both churches of our parish, and we'd love to recruit new servers to join. It is a very up-close and interactive way to experience Mass, and there are some rewards along the way like our annual trip to the Irn-Bru Carnival. Parishioners from P5 upwards (whichever school you attend) are most welcome to come along to train and to join the team. Server training will take place this week as follows:

**St Mark's this Wednesday, 24th Sept, from 3.15-4pm.**

**St Anthony's this Thursday, 25th Sept, from 3.15-4pm.**

If you can't make the training, please let Fr Stephen or Fr Christopher know and we can arrange an alternative.

### CALLING ALL POTENTIAL CATHOLICS! FIRST MEETING THIS THURSDAY

Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic or wanted to know more about the Catholic faith? Consider this your personal invitation! Or maybe you know someone who has been considering this step and just needs a nudge of encouragement from you?

After our successful Enquiry Evening last week, we'll begin the process with the first meeting this **Thursday 25th Sept**, at 7-8.15pm at St Mark's parish house, with a detailed tour of the church and the chance to ask questions and set the priorities for our process in the months ahead. Don't worry if you missed the Enquiry Evening, please feel free to come along anyway, you'll be made very welcome by the team.

### ALPHA SERIES BEGINS SOON

Once again this year we will be offering the highly-acclaimed Alpha series in our parish, featuring the brilliantly-presented Alpha videos which engage with the big questions of life and faith—what is the purpose of life, how can I pray, why did Jesus have to die on the cross, who is the Holy Spirit? These are the basis of discussion among participants, all held in an atmosphere of hospitality with a hot drink and something nice to eat. If you come along you will also be accompanying those who are considering becoming Catholics. Alpha will begin on **Wednesday 1st October at 6.45-8pm** in the side chapel at St Anthony's and run weekly on a Wednesday thereafter. Spread the word and bring a friend!

### INVIGILATORS SOUGHT FOR TRINITY HIGH

The Trinity High invigilating team are looking for adults to support the examination process by becoming an invigilator in Trinity High School. This would involve supporting the prelim exams in December and January as well as the main exams in April / May. Please contact Joanna Hughes at the school on 0141 646 3650, or by email: [gw18trinityoffice@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw18trinityoffice@glow.sch.uk).

### FOODBANK NEWS

Our volunteers supported 76 visitors at our Foodbanks this week. They did this thanks to the kindness of our Parishioners, local residents and The City charitable Trust.

Thanks also to the ASN group at Lifestyles for their generous donation. We appreciate the continued support you give us.

Supplies are running low so any donations will be most welcome. They can be left at the back of both Churches as well as at Jingers and at Le Sorelle Home & Gift Boutique in Burnside.

We need some help to ensure supermarket collections can be done on a Tuesday evening from 8:30 to 9:30pm to pick up food from Co-ops (Rutherglen, Croftfoot, Shawlands) and Burnside Tesco: this provides us with much needed fresh produce such as bread and veg. We are looking to pull together a rota for collections on a monthly basis. We have a van you can use if needed. If anyone can help please contact Tom on 07834921734.

Many thanks to everyone who supports our work. It is greatly appreciated.

### PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO SALAMANCA

The parish pilgrimage to the Royal Scots College in Salamanca, Spain, will depart this **Saturday, 20th September** until 27th Sept. While there we'll visit Avila, where St Teresa of Avila and St John of the Cross began their work to reform the Carmelite order; Alba de Tormes where St Teresa is buried; Segovia where St John of the Cross is buried; and the Valladolid, site of the Royal Scots College for many centuries. The pilgrimage is one of our key parish events for the Holy Year 2025, and so we travel as Pilgrims of Hope.

We bring with us on pilgrimage the prayers and intentions of all parishioners, and we'll remember you all at daily Mass. We'll keep everyone up to date with regular posts on our parish social media channels. Please pray for the success of the parish pilgrimage.

### FATHER CHRISTOPHER PARISH CELEBRATIONS THANKS

Many thanks to everyone who has been involved in Fr Christopher's Masses of Thanksgiving and celebrations over the past two weeks, which have brought such great joy and energy to the parish.

**QR CODE FOR PARISH GIVING** If parishioners or visitors would prefer to use their mobile phones to make a donation at Sunday Mass, then please feel free to use this QR code.

