



St Francis Xavier Church

Taylor Avenue, Carfin, Motherwell ML1 5AJ

6th NOVEMBER 2022



Thirty Second Sunday of the Year

This week you are invited to celebrate

MON	10.00am	Holy Mass in the Glass chapel
TUE	7.00pm	Holy Mass in the Glass chapel
WED	10.00am	Holy Mass in the Glass chapel
THU	10.00am 7.00pm	Holy Mass in the Glass chapel <i>CONFESSIONS from 7.00pm—7.50pm</i>
FRI	10.00am	Holy Mass in the Glass chapel
SAT	10.00am 5.00pm	Holy Mass in the Glass chapel Vigil Mass of the Sunday Parish Church
SUN	9.00am 11.00am	Holy Mass in the Parish church Holy Mass in the Parish church

THE READINGS AT MASS TODAY

MACCABEES The Books of Maccabees tell the story of the second-century B.C. revolt and those who gave their lives for the freedom to worship. One of the legendary heroes of this revolt was the mother of seven sons. She encouraged her sons to accept martyrdom bravely rather than abandon their faith.



PAUL Paul continues to admonish those who were expecting the world to end immediately. He encourages them to stand firm and persevere in faith. Paul also asks the people to pray for him and his companions.

LUKE The issue of resurrection is raised by the Sadducees, who did not believe in life after death. The Sadducees were aristocratic leaders who criticized the Pharisees and their interpretation of the law. Jesus corrects the Sadducees' presumption that life after death must be just like life on earth. In heaven, the marriage relationship will become a new kind of communal life.

TUESDAY - SATURDAY

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9.15am until Mass at 10.00am

MORNING PRAYER 9.15AM

ROSARY at 9.30am

IN THE GLASS CHAPEL



HOLY MASS IN THE GLASS CHAPEL

Due to the escalation of fuel costs, it makes more economic sense to have our weekday Masses in the Glass chapel which is much easier to heat and will be much more comfortable in the winter months. Sunday Masses, funerals etc will be in the main church.

1.00pm Mass is suspended until Lent next year.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Since the Covid epidemic began the main requests for assistance have come via the Social Work Department. The conference is of the opinion that there may be some members of our community who have no contact with the Social Work Department and could benefit from some assistance which we may be able to provide. If you, or anyone you know, would benefit, please get in touch with any of our members, or contact Fr Grant or Fr Morris. We can assure you that the strictest confidence will be observed.

'THE CARFIN MASS'

Scottish musician and composer Peter Rose who is based in the Highlands has very graciously composed a setting of the Mass to commemorate the centenary of the grotto. He has entitled his composition 'The Carfin Mass'. Peter is known to our musical director Kevin, and that is how this came about.

Within the next few weeks, our choir will begin to learn this Mass setting.

Peter rose also composed the well known him 'Lord I give my life to you' and the McKillop Mass (*in honour of Saint Mary McKillop whose parents came from the Scottish Highlands*) which we have been singing for a good few months.

We extend our appreciation and gratitude to Peter for sharing his musical talents with us and bestowing this Mass commemorating the Grotto Centenary.

LET US REMEMBER PRAYER

Sick: John Bowie, William Speirs

Recently Deceased: Canon William O'Sullivan, Catherine Russell, Elizabeth Reagan, Harry Ruddy, Helen Wells (Holytown), Mary Kelly, Jackie Sneddon (Birkinshaw), Elizabeth McDonald, Anne Marie McFarlane, Shona Campbell, Michael Carroll (Coltness), Jan Devine (Newarthill), Grace Mackie, Denis Harvey, Lorna Slavin, Marie McFadden, Shona Caskie

Months Mind: Elizabeth Carr, James Cullen

Anniversary: Hugh McLaughlan, Tessa McDade, Bob Cadwallender, John Cairns, Gerry O'Donnell

May they rest in peace and rise in glory

*I would greatly appreciate it if intimations could be handed in by **WEDNESDAY 8.00pm***

READERS NEXT WEEKEND

Sat 5.00pm Angela Glover

Sun 9.00am Allan Panton

Sun 11.00am Aileen Muir



As is our custom, we shall have a Mass for all those whose funerals took place from St Francis Xavier's Church from All Souls Day 2021 - All Souls Day 2022. This was traditionally held on a weekday evening, but I am thinking of transferring it to a Saturday morning. I'll give you the date next week.

THANK YOU



Thank you to Fr Christopher for looking after the parish (and Theo) during my absence. He had a busy time between funerals, a Holyday of Obligation and All souls. He is taking a deserved break from Monday and will return the week after. I'll look after all the Masses this coming week and next weekend.



When you enter this church it may be possible that you hear the call of God. However it is unlikely that he will call you on your mobile. THANK YOU FOR TURNING OFF YOUR PHONES.

RELIGIOUS THEMED CHRISTMAS CARDS are available from the stall. Sending a card with a religious message keeps Christ in **CHRISTmas**. In a sense, it's a way of evangelising in this increasingly secular age.

In Memoriam

is the title of a musical reflection on the Holy Souls, given by The Diocesan Choir in Motherwell Cathedral on **Friday 11 November, 2022 at 7:30pm**. The programme will include the Requiem by Gabriel Fauré and a number of traditional Holy Souls hymns not often heard nowadays. Admission is free and all are invited to participate in this event, which honours the memory of the faithful departed.

NOVEMBER LISTS

The month of November gives us the opportunity to remember our dear departed when we enter their names on the List of the Dead, so that they may be prayed for at all Masses during November.

If you wish to have the names of your loved ones put on the list, there will be envelopes at the back of the Church from next week. Please return them to the box which will be in the porch.

During the Month of the Holy Souls, special prayers will be led in our local cemeteries:

Bothwellpark Sunday 6th November at 2.00pm

Bothwellhaugh Sunday 13th November at 2.00pm

New Stevenston Sunday 20th November at 2.00pm

PLAQUES

Sincerest apologies that it has taken so long to position the plaques on the Glass chapel seats and on the centenary wall. This was due to circumstances beyond people's control. I am confident that these should be in place by the end of this week and/or the next.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Thursday 8th December

There will be a 'Torchlight Rosary' at the Massabielle Grotto at 8.00pm that evening.

'A HUNDRED YEARS OF CARFIN GROTTTO'

This book commemorating 100 years of the grotto is jam packed full of photographs from over the last 100 years. Many of you will no doubt recognise parents grandparents relations and friends. It is a lovely book, valued at £10 and worth every penny. It is available from the stall and front seat of the church.

Christmas Present for someone???