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Sunday 25th October 2026
30th Week of the Year

Sunday Mass: Vigil (Sat): 6pm
Sunday: 9.30am and 11am

Mon—Sat: 9.30am

Feasts this week:

Wednesday 28th —
Saint Simon & Saint Jude

Funeral: Thursday 29th —
Peter Creighton (reception Wed 28th—6pm)

Church Opening times:

The church will be open from 8am until around 6pm—extended on evenings when Mass or devotions.

Confessions:

Fridays at 6pm-7pm with Blessed Sacrament adoration

October Rosary

Wednesday—6.30pm
Also after Mass each weekday

Perpetual Succour Novena
Monday evenings 7pm.

PRO-LIFE TORCHLIGHT VIGIL

This **Thursday 29th October** people will gather in Glasgow city centre to pray for unborn babies, for mothers in crisis, and for a culture that chooses life. Every year, this valiant witness draws people of all ages who simply want to stand for the dignity of every human life.

- **6.30pm:** Rosary at the Mercat Building, Glasgow Cross (where St John Ogilvie was martyred)
- **7pm:** Procession to St Andrew's Cathedral
- **7.30pm:** Mass in Cathedral (celebrant: Fr Ross Campbell)

FAITH HANDED ON THROUGH FAMILY PRAYER

Last Thursday, the Vatican released a document, ***Venite ad me*** (Come to me), offering considerations for transmitting the faith in an age of great change and in places where faith practice is falling away.

One of the key areas for consideration is the family and the need for parents to encourage shared expressions of faith which can help children grow in living their baptismal faith. Pope Leo XIV said:

"In the family, faith is handed on together with life, generation after generation. It is shared like food at the family table and like the love in our hearts. In this way, families become privileged places in which to encounter Jesus, who loves us and desires our good, always."

To highlight the point, the document borrows the moving testimony of a Jesuit priest Fr Aimé Duval, who was a renowned guitarist and recovering alcoholic. Recalling the abiding childhood memory of family prayer, he wrote: "I was the fifth of nine children. I did not learn piety in a particularly expressive or extraordinary way. There was simply the daily evening prayer, which we recited together. I shall remember it until my eyes are closed for the last time.

My sister Hélène would say the prayers, which were long for children (a quarter of an hour). She would rush through them, mumble, and take shortcuts until my father would say to her, '*Go back… Begin again…'* I learned then that it was necessary to speak to the good Lord slowly, earnestly, and with gentle patience.

What moves me today is the memory of my father's demeanour. He was always tired from working in the fields or driving the oxen, and when he returned from work, he made no attempt to hide his weariness. Yet after dinner, he would kneel down, resting his elbows on the seat of a chair, his forehead in his hands. And I would think to myself: 'My father, who is so strong, who stands proud in the face of life's setbacks and is so unafraid of the mayor, the rich, or the wicked—here he is making himself so small before the good Lord.

Truly, speaking with God changes him. The good Lord must be someone very great if my father kneels before him, but also someone very familiar if one can speak to him while wearing his work clothes.'

As for my mother, she would sit in the middle of the room, with the youngest child in her arms, and all the children gathered around her, leaning against her. Her lips followed the prayers from beginning to end; she did not want to miss a single word and recited them quietly to herself. The most striking thing was that she kept her eyes fixed on us; each of us was held in her gaze. She watched us but said nothing, even when the little ones fidgeted and whispered, even when thunder crashed over the house, even when the cat knocked over a pot. And I would think to myself, 'Truly, the good Lord is very kind if one can speak to him while holding a child in one's arms and still wearing a work apron. Truly, the good Lord is someone important if neither the cat nor the thunder matters anymore.'

My father's hands and my mother's lips—these are the things that taught me more about the good Lord than the catechism did. He is Someone; he is Someone close to us."

Celebration of Marriage and Family Life

Archbishop Nolan will celebrate Holy Mass for married couples and families on **Saturday 14th November (1pm)** in St Andrew's Cathedral. As well as rejoicing with newlyweds, it is hoped to acknowledge couples who are celebrating a significant anniversary this year and recognise the witness they offer. Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries — 25, 40, 50, 60 — and wishing to take part, should give their names to Fr Toal.



We pray for those who have died recently:
Margaret Hendrie, Peter Creighton, Fr Donal Walsh, Celine McCarron, Fr John McGrorry, Alasdair Johnston, John McCabe, Joseph McGuire.

Those whose anniversaries are about now:
Calum MacAskill, Joanne MacAskill, Neil MacLean, William Callan, Joey Balfour, Maureen Magennis, John McInnes, Thomas Gillan, Tommy McCafferty.

NB—Names of those who are sick will no longer be published in the bulletin. If somebody has asked for prayers to be offered publicly at Mass please include their name on the 'corridor list'.

LIFE IS FOR EVER MASS

On **Friday 6th November**, the parish will come together at 7pm to offer Mass for those whose funerals took place here during the past 12 months. As well as praying for the faithful departed, we embrace the bereaved families and all seeking comfort in the promise of eternal life.



Names of the deceased will be called out, and a candle lit for each one. Candles also available for anyone who wishes to remember someone from out with the parish who died in past year.

Donations of home baking for the tea afterwards will be gratefully received before Mass.

Job Vacancies:

The Archdiocese of Glasgow Curial Office has a vacancy for a **part-time caretaker** (evenings) 15 hours a week, £13.45 per hour. Monday to Friday (16.15 to 19.15) plus additional ad-hoc hours (evenings/ weekends). Will also provide holiday cover for the day-time caretaker and respond to callouts on rotation. The post is advertised with S1 Jobs recruitment agency. To apply, submit a CV to S1 Jobs, by 5th November.

PA/Carer sought for lovely elderly lady in Crookston on Sundays (6 hours) and/or Wednesdays (6 hours). Experience not needed as training will be available, but caring attitude essential. Might suit senior pupil interested in healthcare or older person seeking part-time work. Post funded by GCC; PVG will be required. Anyone interested, contact Tony on 07403 781907.

CHRISTMAS TABLE TOP SALE
SAT 14TH NOV
10.30 -12.30
OLSG Hall
To book table £10
phone Pauline
07809 427578



The Thursday Club is hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning on **Thursday 29th October** in the church hall, 10am—noon. All welcome!

CEMETERY MASS
Saint Conval's
Barrhead
Sun 8 Nov, 2pm

Parish Dance & Social

A great night guaranteed on
Saturday 7th November 2026
Dance along to *Harvest*
Bar -- Snowball Bingo -- Raffle
Doors open 7.15pm
Admission – **£3:00**



The OLSG Bible adventure moves on with the next video session this Thursday **29th October at 7pm** in the small hall. We will look at the Book of Exodus—the birth of Moses, his encounters with God, Passover and liberation from Egypt. If you haven't taken part in any previous sessions or just missed one, this is an ideal time to join/rejoin as we look at God's formation of one, holy nation through the *Bible Timeline Study*. Come and see what other parishioners are talking about!

Confirmation—Information Station

Parents of children in P7 within OLSG parish who wish the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to attend an information evening at Our Lady of Lourdes church (front hall) on **Tuesday 3rd November at 6pm.** It is important that you attend this meeting to enrol your child for the sacrament which will be conferred by Archbishop Nolan on Tuesday 2nd Feb 2027 at Our Lady of Lourdes church, Cardonald.

JOIN MILLIONS OF MONICAS

Mums, grannies, aunts are invited to join a new prayer group dedicated to praying for their children's return to faith. Meets first Tuesday of month (3 Nov) in St Charles, Paisley, at 7pm.