Sunday 29th June 2025

Feast of St Peter and St Paul

Congratulations Father Joe
50 years of your blessed calling
God bless and keep you

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Sunday Masses
Vigil: 6 pm; Sunday 9.30 and 11 am.
Weekday Masses: 9.30 am
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:
Rosary after Mass most days.

Masses are live streamed for those unable to physically to take part.
Go to the website for the link : www.olsg.org.uk

CAMERAS FOCUS ONLY ON THE SANCTUARY AREA AND THE AREA IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF IT.
IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO HAVE YOUR IMAGE LIVE STREAMED, PLEASE MIND THIS.

Church Opening times
In addition to Mass times the church is open **Monday to Friday 1.30 to 2.30 pm, and 6 pm to 7 pm**

Generally, individual Confessions are available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday **at 6.15 to 6.45**
Silence in the church is observed to allow private prayer.

50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. The parish council extends a warm invitation to join the celebration of Fr Joe's Golden Jubilee with Archbishop Nolan presiding this Sunday 29th June at the 11 am Mass. You are all welcome to continue the celebration in the hall afterwards.

May they rest in peace. We are asked to pray for those who died recently; Patsy Newton, Edward Dooley (Wales), Peter Coyle, Charles Kerrigan (Age 67); those whose anniversaries occur about now: George McLaughlin, Isa Heaney (19 yrs), Megan Haining (5 yrs), John Docherty, Catriona MacAskill, Kate MacKinnon (Names for insertion should be added to the list available in the link corridor before 10 am. Thursday.)

Prayers are requested for those who are ill: for the sick at home, in hospital, in nursing, homes. Prayers are requested for: Martin Cairns, Isabel McLellan, Joseph Dodds, Murdo Moby, Carol Hastie, Allan MacDonald, Susan McDonald, Finn McGuinness, Mary Blair, Billy Miller, Betty Hassan, Belle Mann, Gerry Fergusson, Agnes Charles, Frank O'Neill, Kevin McCann, Anthony McCann, Rosemary McManus and Harry Simpson, Sr Rose Hughes, Els Heuchan, William Wilson, Carol Hastie Liz Murray. *(Permission from the person who is ill is required before insertion in the bulletin. Add the name to the list in the link corridor each week.)*

Training as a Catechist? The RE department of the Archdiocese have the new session of the Catechist's Course starting in the autumn. This provides a basis of formation in Catholic Theology lasting two years. Candidates would then be commissioned by the archdiocese as a catechist. Applicants should contact their parish priests.

Feast of St Peter and St Paul.
This weekend we have a retiring collection for Peter's Pence. This is to support the Holy Father in support in his apostolic and charitable mission in favour of the universal Church and the entire world. Each donation is a concrete sign of communion with the Holy Father.

It makes possible assisting the Pope in evangelization, the promotion of integral human development, education, communication. It contributes to numerous charitable works.

Fr Joe writes. For 50 years, on 29th June as we celebrated the feast of St Peter and St Paul I have asked the help of their prayers as a priest of the Archdiocese of Glasgow.

It has been a great honour and privilege to have been serving in the various posts assigned to me: St Martin's Castlemilk, Blairs College Aberdeen, St Andrew's Cathedral and the Wayside Club, St Philomena's, St Philip's Ruchazie, St Roch's Garngad, Diocesan Director for Missio Scotland, Spiritual Director of Senatus of the Legion of Mary, and lastly Our Lady and St George's for the past 10 years.

The archbishops who accepted me and assigned me these posts have been: Archbishops Campbell, Scanlan, Winning, Conti, Tartaglia, Nolan.

My good parents, family, extended family, the friends I made, the colleagues who accompanied me over the years, the community at Pluscarden Abbey, and others have been the foundation of my desire and willingness to serve the communities to which I have been assigned.

My gratitude is expressed in that hymn of Mary, the Mother of the Lord: "The Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name!"

At the age of eight I was pulled out of the dark icy waters of the Forth and Clyde canal, having ignored warnings not to go near the place. My mother attributed the rescue to the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Lord. Round my neck there was the miraculous medal, no doubt given to us by members of the Legion of Mary in the parish of St Ninian's, Knightswood. As a priest I have been a member of the Legion of Mary since we formed a praesidium in St Martin's almost 50 years ago and have been blest in many ways as a result.

Peter the apostle was also pulled out of the waters by the Lord, the waters of the Sea of Galilee, and raised up to be the shepherd on earth of the flock of Jesus himself. St Paul was pulled out of the depths of his hostility towards the disciples of the Lord and thus towards the Lord himself. He was raised up to become the apostle of the Gentiles. I continue to ask the help of their prayers and your prayers for whatever lies ahead.

Finances Thanks to all who contribute to the parish upkeep and those who give so generously. Last weekend, 21/22 June £1268 was contributed for the upkeep of the parish. Thanks to all who have contributed so generously, whether as the plate goes round or through standing orders. The parish benefits greatly also by those who are able to use the Gift Aid Scheme.

SSVP Notice

Our monthly, free cafe will be held 1-3pm in the small hall on Thursday 3rd July. A reminder that it is a dementia-friendly cafe, but not dementia-only. We have some home baking for you to try this month, so please feel free to call in and enjoy!

Concert in St Andrew's Cathedral: Concert by the Cathedral of Christ the King Choir, Atlanta, U.S.A, in St. Andrew's Cathedral on Tuesday 8th July at 7.30pm, under the direction of Dr. Michael Accurso. Please come along and enjoy an evening of sacred music by national and international composers. A free concert (no booking required).

Children's Liturgy

The Children's Liturgy has now stopped until the schools reopen after the summer holidays. Many thanks to all the catechists who have done a wonderful job. If anyone would like to help after the summer, please contact Mary Mc Bride (882 5199) or Fr Boyle. If you would like to see how the children experience and participate in the Liturgy please come out at the same time as the children. We follow a programme (The Liturgy of the Word with Children).

Who are the Catechists?

Anyone who wants to help the children take a more active part in the celebration of their faith. Ideally it should be the parents who wish to make attendance at Mass enjoyable and relevant for their children. Young students who are training to become Catholic teachers often join us as they are expected to participate in church activities as part of their Course. 6th years pupils in our parish who are taking part in the Caritas Award have been involved as well.

Everyone who is a Catechist must follow the Archdiocesan guidelines regarding child safety and apply for their PVG through the Parish.