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Sunday Masses: Vigil 5pm, 9am and 10:30am

Confessions: Saturday 4:30 – 4:50pm

Newsletter

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17th 2026

This weekend we mark Communications Sunday; Bishop Frank Dougan has sent a Pastoral Letter to be read at the liturgy. The Bishops of Scotland have asked that we take up a special collection to support the work of the Communications Office.

A little donation from us all goes a long way.

Bishop Toal has asked that the following invitation be published widely within the Diocese of Motherwell: Festival of Synodality, Saturday 6 June 2026, Glasgow Caledonian University: “On behalf of Bishop Brian McGee and the Planning Team we invite you to the National Festival of Synodality, a day inspired by Pope Francis’ call to be ‘*witnesses to synodality*’. The festival will focus on *Conversation in the Spirit*, a simple and powerful way of communal discernment rooted in listening, conversion and mission. The day will celebrate the fruits already flourishing in the Church in Scotland and include input from Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ, Fr. David McCallum SJ and Sandra Chaoul. Participants will also have the opportunity to experience *Conversation in the Spirit* first hand. Lunch is included. All are welcome, especially those involved in parish and diocesan life, pastoral councils, schools and faith organisations. Tickets £45. Parishes and dioceses are encouraged to support those wishing to attend.

Tickets available: bit.ly/synodality26.

Thank you to those who have expressed an interest in forming a new St. Vincent de Paul Conference in our parish. It was helpful to meet again with Bridget Ann Devanny during the week to hear more about what would be involved. It looks as though we can move forward to re-establishing our own SVDP Conference here at St. Mary’s and St. Paul’s; our next meeting is on Tuesday, June 2nd at 6.30pm.

The Parish Council invites you for Afternoon Tea in the parish hall on Saturday 30th May at 2pm; tickets are £15 and this includes a glass of Prosecco; tickets are on sale after all Masses over the next 2 weekends. Please bring cash! Proceeds will be shared between St. Andrew’s Hospice and Kilbryde Hospice.

Schedule for the Daily Liturgy:

Monday May 18th: Mass at 10am;

Rosary at 9.40am; Confessions at 6.30pm; Novena at 7pm

Tuesday May 19th: Mass at 10am;

Rosary at 9.40am

Wednesday May 20th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

Thursday May 21st: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

The church's daily liturgy is a wonderful way to begin the day; you are always welcome to join us for the Rosary and Mass

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet this week on

Wednesday evening at 7pm in the parish meeting room; the PPC is there to serve the parish community and your suggestions, comments and observations are welcome; the most recent requests were for baby changing facilities, and these are now available in the church toilet; other requests, such as better lighting at the stairs leading to the car park, a hook on the door of the toilet, a fun day for the altar servers have all been attended to, so you can see that your comments do matter! Please speak to a member of the Council or put a note in the box at the back of the church or email PPC1846@hotmail.com.

The Diocesan Youth Office invites young adults to the next Cathedral Sunday Night on June 11th at 7.30pm in Motherwell Cathedral. The Cathedral Nights will close for the summer with a special Barbecue. *All young adults welcome.*

Scottish Diocesan Boundaries Consultation: St. Bride's Centre Motherwell on Monday 25th May at 7pm: Bishop Toal warmly invites the people of Motherwell Diocese to a *Conversation in the Spirit*, regarding this important topic of diocesan structures in the Catholic Church in Scotland. The conclusions of these deliberations will form part of the general response made by the Scottish bishops to the Holy See. *It would be good to have some representatives from the parish.*

Catholic Men's Society: Monthly Meeting; the next meeting will take place after morning Mass on Monday 11th May in the parish meeting room. This week's discussion will be about Our Lady through art and how artists have considered her role in living the Faith, As always new faces are always welcome. If interested just come along or email laverypeter93@yahoo.com for a copy of this month's agenda and discussion material.

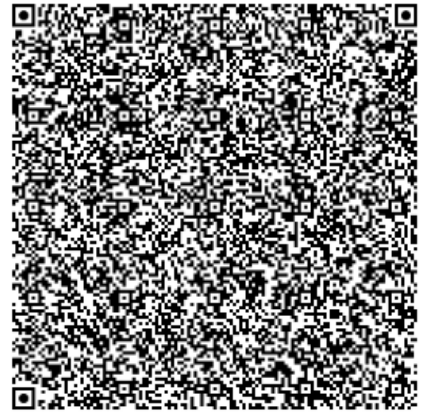
Parish Strollers Group: you are welcome to join us for a nice stroll in the park; just come along on Tuesday mornings at 11am to the museum at the bottom of Muir Street. We walk for around one hour and then have some refreshments in the museum café.

Coffee Morning this Sunday, May 17th, after the 10.30am Mass, to welcome the First Communicants and their families.

Recently Deceased: William Mather, Michael Doran, Iain McLaren

Special Remembrance: Bettina Julie Miller, Moira Douglas, Benny and Rosaleen Mournian, Margaret Kelly, Joseph P, McMenemy, Anne F. McMenemy, Christopher Grant, John and Elizabeth Fulton, James Fulton, Tommy and Anne Quay, Bella Holland Murray, Christopher Grant, Jan and Mary Kozak, George Cree, John Higgins, and our deceased relatives, friends and the benefactors of our parish.

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