



The Catholic Parish of St. Mary & St. Paul, Hamilton

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

Confessions: Saturday 4:30 – 4:50pm

Newsletter

Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Year

October 12th 2025

Information from Justice and Peace Scotland: National Day of Solidarity to End Immigration Detention – Glasgow Solidarity Event: Saturday 18th October 12 noon-3,30pm; Refuweege Office, 24 George Square, Glasgow. Join Justice and Peace Scotland, Scottish Detainee Visitors, and Glasgow Solidarity Stall for a community event marking the National Day of Solidarity to End Immigration Detention.

Free event and all welcome.

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) has been established as the means by which a person can explore the faith of the Catholic Church. Over a period of months, the RCIA offers a way to grow in knowledge of Jesus and the Catholic Faith, in the company of others. The RCIA takes place within a parish community so that the participants can share in the life of the church expressed in a local parish.

In the spirit of sharing what we ourselves have been freely given, we seek to offer the RCIA to those who are thinking about becoming a member of the Catholic Church. At present five people have expressed an interest in making this journey; there is still time for others to come forward. We will begin on **October 23rd at 7pm-8.30pm**, meeting once in the week, and receiving people into the Church at the Easter Vigil in 2026. *Please speak with Fr. O'Brien if you are interested in becoming a member of the church.*

Altar Serving Training has been arranged for Saturday 1st November, 10am-11.30am. Would you like to join the Altar Servers? If you have made your First Holy Communion and would like to serve, then come along to the training. Present servers should come too, for some extra training! Serving on the altar is a big commitment, so please speak with your parents about this.

World Mission Sunday, 19th October 2025: Missio is the Pope's Charity through which he asks us to share with our Catholic brothers and sisters in countries where the church is new, small or poor. *A second collection will be taken up.*

Xavarian Missionary Fathers will visit our parish on the Weekend of November 8-9, to make an appeal for support. You may wish to share your donation between these two good causes. *Thank you. A little donation from us all goes a long way.*

Schedule for the Daily Liturgy:

Monday October 13th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

Tuesday October 14th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am; Adoration until 2.30pm

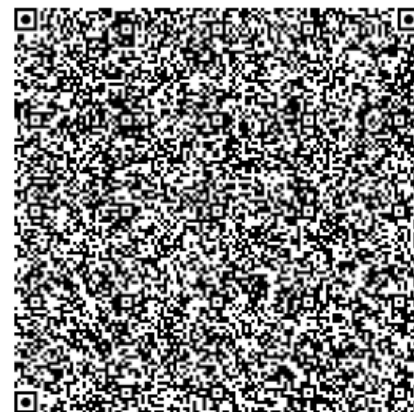
Wednesday October 15th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

Thursday October 16th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

You would be most welcome to join us for the daily liturgy at any time. It's a beautiful way to begin the day. The Rosary provides a prayerful opportunity to intercede for our world and for those we feel special concern. The daily eucharist invites us to listen deeply to the word of God and to receive Jesus as Bread of Life, food for our journey through the hours of the day. Come as you are!



Don't carry cash but wish to donate?

Scan the QR code with your mobile phone to make a donation; you will be able to Gift Aid your donation using this method.

Wrap Up Lanarkshire Appeal: The Rotary Club of Hamilton appealing for the donation of any spare winter coats or anoraks, which will be distributed via homeless shelters, refugee centres, organisations supporting the elderly, women's refuges, children's centres and other charities helping people in crisis. *Please bring your coat or anorak to the church during October.*

Parish Stall: following a request made to the Parish Council, a sheet is now available in the Stall for anyone wishing to order an item not readily available. For anyone wishing to order, our supplier is **CBC Distributors**, and their inventory is available on line at www.cbcdistributors.co.uk. 2026 Catalogues will also be made available in the Stall when received. Stall contact: Clare 07778804859

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: this very special retreat is for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience; it seeks to offer spiritual and emotional support in a safe environment. It will be held in Glasgow from Monday 27th to Wednesday 29th October. For more information, please call/text Sr. Andrea on 07816942824 or email sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk; www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk.

Recently Deceased: Anne Carty, Charles McGuigan, Michael Emmett, Mary Wilson, Kathleen Casey, John Freeman, Anne Jardine, James O'Neill, James Desmond Quigley, Albert Bebbington, William Monaghan, James O'Donnell, Teresa Coyle

Special Remembrance: Maureen Gillespie, Jim Carr, John and Julia O'Neil, Hugh Mary and John Carr, Brian Carolan Snr., Charles and Mary Dobbin, Catherine Lynas Sheerin, John and May Donnelly, Colin Cassidy, James & Helen Lennon, Patrick & Joan Lennon, and all our own deceased relatives and friends, and all the benefactors of our parish.