

St Mary's and St Paul's Parish Pastoral Council

Minutes of Meeting

22nd of April 2026

Present: Fr O'Brien, Rita Clark (Chair), Justine Docherty, Ronnie Boyd, Helen Giusti, Lisa Pearson, Agnes O'Donnell (Secretary)

Apologies: Claire Molnar

Updates/Requests/Suggestions

- Marys Meals. Parish contact now Fran Lawson. Next visit will include the opportunity to Gift Aid donation.
- Gift Aid. Father O'Brien to promote Gift Aid and its benefit to the parish over the next few weeks.
- Card Machine. Final decision to be taken on whether to introduce or not to be taken after the summer break.
- Door hook. Has been attached to the toilet door as requested.
- Baby changing table. Ordered and will be placed in the toilet by the weekend.
- Church Acoustics. To be checked out.
- Hymn numbers board. Options to be explored.
- Open Doors Lanarkshire. Weekend of 5th and 6th of September. Main discussion item at next meeting.
- Votive Candles. Options being explored.
- Bread and Wine at Communion. Consideration to be given to be re-established at the vigil mass.

Developing the Wellspring Project within St Mary's and St Paul's

- Sancta Familia to be invited to a future meeting to discuss the possibility of streaming masses from St Mary's and St Paul's.
- Befriending Group. PVG checks have started. Next step is to have a meeting and start pairing people up.
- Children's Liturgy Group. Currently appealing for new members.
- Youth Engagement. Currently looking at several ideas to raise money for Mary's Meals.
- Festival of Synodality. Saturday 6th of June at Glasgow Caledonian University. Parish happy to support Financially any parishioners who would like to go.
- SVDP. Representative to be at all masses the weekend 25/26th of April. Follow up meeting for those interested in joining Tuesday 12th of May at 6.30pm in the parish hall.

Diary Dates

- 17th of May. First Communicants Coffee Morning
- 30th of May. Afternoon Tea in aid of St Andrew's and Kilbryde Hospices

Parish Council Box

- At the back of the church for comments/suggestions. Alternatively email ppc1846@hotmail.com

Date of Next Meeting

- Wednesday 20th of May 2026