



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-Sixth Sunday of the Year

September 27th 2026

The following information has been sent by the diocese: it is always worthwhile consulting the diocesan website for more detailed news about what is happening across the Diocese of Motherwell, www.rcdom.org.uk.

ALMA Youth Group Lourdes 2027: we are looking for young volunteers (S6-28) to join the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, taking place from 12th to 19th July 2027.

Whether you've been part of ALMA before or this would be your first time, you're warmly invited to join us for an Information Evening: **Tuesday 29th September, 7pm, Diocesan Centre, Coursington Road, Motherwell.** Please come along to hear more about what's involved, what the Youth Group does and what you can expect from the Lourdes pilgrimage. For any queries, please contact Fr Stephen Reilly at frreilly@rcdom.org.uk

Wellspring Pastoral Forum, Monday 5th October at 7pm in Our Lady and St. Anne's Parish Hall, Hamilton; Bishop Toal is hosting this special evening which will include updates from several of the Mission leads and the chance to join breakout sessions for sharing and conversation; clergy and parish representatives are warmly invited to attend.

Fairtrade Fortnight 20 September-4 October: What is Fairtrade all about?

Fairtrade is more than just a label; it means fair prices and decent working conditions, environmentally friendly farming practices, a strong voice for farmers and workers; gender equality and a better future for young people. So, the next time you see the **Fairtrade** mark in the shop, please know that it is an assurance of the far-reaching positive impact of your purchase. To celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight please come along to our coffee morning **next Sunday, October 4th** after both morning Masses. As well as tea, coffee, juice, toast and home-baking, a selection of Fairtrade goods and crafts will be on sale. *Donations of home-baking will be welcome; proceeds to the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child (SPUC).*

Next Sunday at our 10.30am Mass we will welcome our new Primary 1 pupils from St. Mary's Primary and St. Paul's Primary, along with their parents and families.

Schedule for the Daily Liturgy:

Monday September 28th: Mass at 10 am;
Rosary at 9.40am; Confessions at 6.30pm; Novena at 7pm

Tuesday September 29th: Mass at 10am;
Rosary at 9.40am

Wednesday September 30th: Mass at 10am
Rosary at 9.40am; Adoration from after Mass until 2.30pm

Thursday October 1st: Mass at 10am
Rosary at 9.40am

The daily liturgy is a wonderful gift to the church and a beautiful way to begin the day; you are always welcome to join us for the prayerful recitation of the Rosary and for morning Mass.

Parish Pastoral Council: The PPC will meet again on Wednesday 21st October at 7pm; the Council is there to serve the parish community; your comments and suggestions are very welcome and we will do our best to respond; please speak with one of the Council members or put a note in the box at the back of the church or email PPC1846@hotmail.com

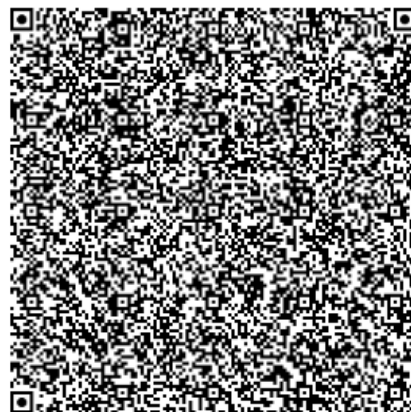
The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will take place from 16-18 October at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. For details contact Maggie on 07786 687631 or email: beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com.
Completed applications must be returned by 2nd October 2026.

Family Conference: The Agency for Marriage, Family and Life has organised a National Conference. Married couples and families are invited to a day at Saint Augustine's, Coatbridge on the **24th October 2026**. Come along for Mass with Bishop John Keenan, formative talks, children's catechesis and more. Please book your place at <https://bcos.org.uk/NFC26>.

The Defibrillator is kept in the first confessional and is clearly visible on the wall; a wheelchair is also stored here. There will be further training in the use of the Defibrillator on Saturday 31st October, 10am to 12 noon in the parish hall.

Recently Deceased: Jim O'Mullen, Lina Gallo, Maureen McLagan, Pauline Hillier (Manchester), Michael Murphy, Barbara Sampson, Brian Baxendale

Special Remembrance: Dick Green, James Gilmour, Brian Tansey, Patricia Grace, Joseph Lally, Joseph and Elizabeth McCafferty, Mary and Frank McAteer, Rosaleen and Bernard Mournian, Olga Levickis, deceased members of the Doherty family, and our relatives, friends and benefactors of our parish.



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