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

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Newsletter

Third Sunday of the Year

January 25th 2026

A Message from Bishop Toal: 'Year of St. Francis of Assisi, 800th Anniversary'

"We will begin the Franciscan Jubilee in Motherwell Diocese at St. John Ogilvie's Church, Blantyre on Monday 2nd February, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, at 7pm with Mass. It is the World Day of Prayer for Religious, and it seems appropriate to mark the Feast and to begin the Franciscan Jubilee with the Poor Clare Sisters, who recently moved to St. John Ogilvie's. *All are invited, especially the Religious of the Diocese.*

I am designating St. John Ogilvie's as a place of pilgrimage throughout the Jubilee of St. Francis. There will be an opportunity to reverence a relic of St. Francis at the Monday Evening Mass in St. John Ogilvie's each week. Those wishing to obtain the Plenary Indulgence are encouraged to attend this particular Mass; the Instruction about fulfilling the requirements for obtaining the Indulgence are as follows:

To obtain the Plenary Indulgence during the Year of St. Francis, certain conditions indicated by the Church must be fulfilled: sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, prayers for the intention of the Pope, interior detachment from sin, and the performance of certain works, such as pilgrimages to Franciscan churches, participation in Jubilee celebrations, prayer and meditation in the Franciscan spirit, as well as daily acts of charity and humility that express the spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi.

A Message from the Diocesan Youth Office: Young Adults, Motherwell Cathedral Night, Sunday, February 8th at 7.30pm; for all S6's and 16-30 year olds; an evening of Talks, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Live Music and Social; for more information, email freilly@rcdom.org.uk.

Our Diocesan Young Adults Community is growing and flourishing; this evening on February 8th is an opportunity for young people to meet with the wider diocesan community and feel part of the wider church. *You will be made most welcome at the Cathedral,*

A Message from Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund: SCIAF Mission Workshop, Thursday, 29th January, 7pm in Diocesan Centre, Motherwell: an open workshop for anyone interested in SCIAF and its mission; the evening will showcase practical resources available to parishes and explore ways communities can feel more connected to SCIAF's work and global mission. *All welcome.*

Schedule for the Daily Liturgy:

Monday January 26th: Mass at 10am

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

Tuesday January 27th: Mass at 10am

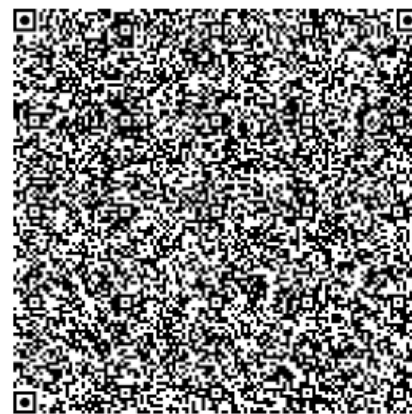
Rosary at 9.40am; confessions after morning Mass

Wednesday January 28th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am; adoration until 2.30pm

Thursday January 29th: Mass at 10am

The church's daily liturgy is a wonderful gift and enables us to journey with Jesus, Mary and the Saints every day of the year; the daily Eucharist offers us the opportunity to contemplate the great mystery of Christ day by day,



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Parish Pastoral Council meets on February 4th at 7pm. The Council is there to serve the parish community, and your suggestions and comments are welcome and appreciated. Please speak to one of the Council members or place a note in the box at the back of the church or email PPC1846@hotmail.com.

A Message from the Catholic Parliamentary Office: Don't miss out: Financial Help for Scots in 2026: as households across Scotland continue to feel the pressure of the cost-of-living crisis, many people may be missing out on vital support they are entitled to; find out more about benefits that may be available, visit www.mygov.scot/benefits

A Message from the Strollers: we are still strolling along every Tuesday; we meet outside the Museum on Muir Street at 11am, stroll for one hour and then enjoy tea and a chat; *you are welcome to join us for a stroll in the park.*

RCIA continues in our meeting room on Thursday at 7pm; please remember our six candidates in your prayers.

Recently Deceased: Frank McGeechan (**Requiem, Wednesday February 4th at 10am**), John Francis Moore (**Requiem, Thursday February 5th at 10am**), Eleanor Cook, Mary Mearns, Margaret McGunigl, Frank Hunter (Shettleston), Alice McWilliams

Special Remembrance: Aidan McCall Hagan, Campbell Esper, Barbara Jones, Ann Daly Quay, Dan Daly, Diane Daly, Peter and Betty Mulvaney, George and Elizabeth Samson, Owen and Bella Currie, all our relatives and friends and all the benefactors of our parish.

Diocese of Motherwell Website:
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