

### **Our Lady of Lourdes Church House and Front Hall**

The church house and front hall are now closed with immediate effect, and there is no access to the Choir Loft, for health and safety reasons. During this time, the parish bulletin will be available online only.

### **Update re. maintenance & repairs project**

To make our parish compliant with health and safety regulations, we require to spend £181k on identified works - house electrics, church & hall boilers, house plumbing and heating, front hall cladding, front hall heating, and external works (we have a badly leaning wall, dangerous stairs and dangerous manhole at the rear of the house). Diocesan Trustees have approved our parish to spend £100k of our own funds on Phase #1 which includes £40k of generous donations in response to our recent appeal. Phase # 1 will make our front hall and church house compliant with health and safety. Phase # 2 will fix all remaining health and safety issues (that includes asbestos removal and new church boiler). We have no funds at present for Phase #2. If you wish to support fundraising for Phase 2 works, contact Fr Joe directly. All donations will be gratefully received using bank details as follows:  
The Bank of Scotland, Arch Of Glw OL Lourde No 2.  
Sort code: 801426. Account number: 00234566.  
Many thanks. Fr Joe

### **OLOL Social Gathering**

We regret to say that the Parish Dance and Bingo Night has unfortunately been cancelled due to the closure of the front hall for health and safety reasons. If you have already purchased a ticket, please collect your refund from the sacristy. Please watch this space for updates on the rescheduled date of the next Dance and Bingo Night sometime after summer. Thank you for your understanding.

### **Sunday Café is starting back soon!**

Looking for a nice cuppa and a wee blether? Join us soon when the Sunday Café returns—same cosy setup in the front hall after both morning Masses. Pop in for a chat, a cuppa, and some good company. Starting back soon—watch this space!

### **Also coming back soon: The 200 Club!**

A huge thank you to the dedicated volunteers helping bring this great initiative back to life. Regular cash prizes to be won! A fun and easy way to support our parish while having a chance to win. Stay tuned for more details and how to join — don't miss out!

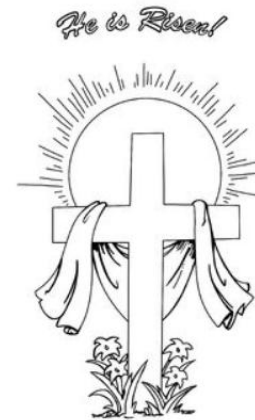
### **Lost and Found**

Our Lost and Found is located in the porch. Items, which have been collected over the past few months, will be donated if not claimed by Sunday 4th May.

### **SCIAF Wee Boxes**

SCIAF Wee Boxes to be handed in, please, by Sunday 4th May.

### **Third Sunday of Easter Year C Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025**



### **We pray for those who are sick at this time:**

John McFadden, Rose Monaghan

### **We remember those who have died recently:**

Pope Francis, James Daly, Helen Dooley, Rose Gaffney, Angela Grimes, Thomas Keenan, Michael McQuade, John Walker, Joe Johnson, Ken Maguire, Francie Mulgrew

### **And those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

Fr Des Broderick, Gerard Gallagher, John Mackinnon, Andrew Thompson, Margaret Tierney, Charlotte O'Connor

### **Six months' mind:**

John Gallagher, Bridget McCloskey

**Saturday:**  
5pm Vigil Mass

**Sunday:**  
9.30am, 11.30am and 5pm

### **Weekdays:**

Monday 7.00pm  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 am  
Wednesday 8am

Saturday 12 noon

**Baptisms:** Saturdays at 1pm

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Saturday 4:15pm – 4:45pm

### **Today's Readings:**

**First Reading - Acts 5:27b-32, 40b-41**  
*We are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit.*

### **Responsorial Psalm**

*I will extol you, Lord, for you have raised me up.*

**Second Reading - Revelation 5:11-14**  
*Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth.*

### **Gospel - John 21:1-19**

*Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish.*

## Pope Francis



In these days of mourning the loss of Pope Francis, and continuing to pray for the peaceful repose of his soul, "*Eternal rest grant unto Pope Francis, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.*", we pray too for a new Pope:

*O God, eternal shepherd,  
who govern your flock with unfailing care,  
grant in your boundless fatherly love  
a pastor for your Church  
who will please you by his holiness  
and to us show watchful care.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **A Service of Remembrance for anyone who has lost a baby or a child**

This will be held in Glasgow Cathedral (Church of Scotland) on 10th May at 11a.m.

### **Thank You for Your Generous Support**

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed so generously to the Maintenance & Repairs Fund. Your support has made a significant difference. Thanks to your kindness and commitment, we are now able to move forward with Phase 1 of our project—focused on essential maintenance and repairs to the house and front hall. Without your donations, beginning this important work so soon would not have been possible. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

### **Interesting Item of Info about OLOL**

According to Archdiocesan records, on May 18<sup>th</sup> 1926 the various Trades offers (quotes) to construct the Chapel House, designed by the respected architect Reginald Fairlie, were accepted by Archbishop Mackintosh at a total cost of £2499. Got an interesting item of info about OLOL? Do send it in.

### **Children's Liturgy**

Sunday 11.30am Mass. All children from Primary 1 to Primary 7 are invited to join us for a special time of prayer and learning during the Mass.

## **For all who are sitting exams at this time, a prayer for Guidance and Wisdom**

Loving God, be with me now, as I prepare for my exams. Thank you for the many talents and gifts you have given me and for the opportunity of education. Calm my nerves and anxiety, help me to remember all that I have studied, to express it clearly and to answer the questions the very best I can.

### **First Holy Communion**

First Holy Communion will be next Sunday 11th May at 11.30am Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes Primary, and on Sunday 18th May at 11.30am Mass for Our Lady of the Rosary Primary. **Saturday Catechesis** for first communicants - 10am on Sat 3rd May in the Back Hall for Lourdes Primary School children. Then 10am on Sat 17th May in the church for Our Lady of the Rosary children.

### **First Communion Gifts**

Our Ogilvie Room piety stall has a fine selection of First Communion cards & gifts and various cards for all occasions. Do call in and take a look.

### **Before receiving Holy Communion**

Before receiving Holy Communion, we are asked to make some act of reverence such as a bow.

### **Jubilee Year Vocations Mass**

Archdiocese of Glasgow and Glasgow Serra will be holding their Annual Vigil for Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated religious life this Thursday 8th May 7pm - 9pm in Our Lady of Lourdes. Theme "Pilgrims of hope: The gift of life". Mass will be followed by Adoration, guest speaker, refreshments concluding with Night Prayer and Benediction at 9pm. Pray for Vocations. "The harvest is rich but the labourers are few." Luke 10:2.

### **Interested in becoming a Catholic?**

Please do get in touch. The programme of learning and instruction will begin after summer and prepares adults for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please speak to one of our RCIA group if you would like to know more. A huge Thank You!

### **Lord, Make Me Know Your Ways**

Could God be calling you to serve as a priest? Please get in touch to find out more about discerning your vocation. For information and details, please speak to Fr Joe. Speak to Deacon Tommy if you would like to find out about vocation of Permanent Diaconate.

### **Glasgow 850**

Celebrating the legacy of Archbishop Robert Blackadder, first Archbishop of Glasgow. Ecumenical service Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 4pm in Glasgow Cathedral. Please confirm your attendance by contact Elspeth Glasgow on 07903 883071 or [office@glasgowchurches.org.uk](mailto:office@glasgowchurches.org.uk)