



ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF
SACRED HEART & ST GERARD
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Services this Week

Monday	<i>Solemnity of All Saints</i> 10.00am Mass in Sacred Heart 11.30am Mass in St Gerard's
Tuesday	<i>All Souls Day</i> 9.30am Mass in St Gerard's 6.00pm <i>Confessions until 6.45pm</i> 7.00pm Mass in Sacred Heart
Wednesday	10.00am Mass in Sacred Heart
Thursday	9.30am Funeral Mass in St Gerard's <i>Gus McMillan RIP</i>
Friday	9.30am Mass in St Gerard's
Saturday	4.00pm Vigil Mass in St Gerard's 5.30pm Vigil Mass in Sacred Heart
Sunday	10.00am Mass in St Gerard's 11.30am Mass in Sacred Heart

The Scriptures

First Reading
Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Psalm 18
I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading
Hebrews 7:23-28

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!

Gospel
Mark 12:28-34

The Solemnity of All Saints

On Monday there will be Mass at 10,00am in Sacred Heart Church and at 11.30am in St Gerard's Church to celebrate the solemnity of All Saints.

Pupils from the schools will join us for both Masses.

All Souls Day

On Tuesday there will be Mass at 9.30am in St Gerard's and at 7.00pm in Sacred Heart to celebrate All Souls Day and pray for all who died.

Thank You

The collection last weekend was £1132. The parish also receives an average of £430 weekly in electronic donations.

The October second collection is for the work of Missio and the Pontifical Mission Societies.

Confirmations

Congratulations to our young parishioners in primary 7 in St Gerard's who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday night.

Please Pray for

Gus McMillan RIP

Funeral Mass in St Gerard's Church on Thursday 4th November at 9.30am

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord

Please remember in your prayers

Sick:

Baby Felix Durnion, Jackie Chinskie, Betty McDermott, Jim McIlroy, Lorraine McCarthy, Jane Curran, Leanne McGovern, Billy Mosedale, Thomas O'Donnell, Marcella Taylor, Fr Raymond Jaconelli, Avril Finnon, Matt MacDonald, Jean Murphy, Megan Carlin, Jamie Devine, Elizabeth Lunny, Margaret McMahan,

Recently Dead: Gus McMillan, Michael Girvan, May Allan, James Doonan, Joseph Allan, James Coyle, Patricia Hoey,

Months Minds: Betty Mays, Helen McAuley, John McAuley (snr & jnr), Cathy McAuley, James McAuley, George McAuley, Ann McAuley, Lilian Whittingham, Joe & Lizzie Costello, Joseph Costello, Jeanie Costello, Robert McDade,

Anniversaries: Francis Eadie, Tessa McDade, Rose Crummie, Owen Horisk, Bessie, Jimmy, Denis and Jim Quinn,, Teresa Moore,

November Lists

November lists to write the names of your deceased family and friends and envelopes to return them are available as you enter both churches and can be returned to boxes in the Church. During the month of November those named will be prayed for at all Masses in the parish.

Mass for Deceased Parishioners

Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 24th November at 7.00pm in Sacred Heart Church to pray particularly for those who have died over the last year within the parish.

The Scottish Catholic Magazine

A new fortnightly Scottish Catholic Magazine is now being produced. If you would like to Subscribe you can do so online at www.scottishcatholic.com or by calling 07908 871858

COP26

The current environmental situation calls us to act now with urgency to become ever more responsible stewards of creation and to restore the nature that we have been damaging and exploiting for too long. when we look around ourselves, what do we see? We see crisis leading to crisis. We see the destruction of nature, as well as a global pandemic leading to the death of millions of people. We see the unjust consequences of some aspects of our current economic systems and numerous catastrophic climate crises that produce grave effects on human societies and even mass extinction of species.

The many "warnings" we are experiencing, among which we can see Covid-19 and global warming, are pushing us to take urgent action. I hope that the COP26 on climate change, to be held in Glasgow next November, will help to give us the right answers to restore ecosystems both through a strengthened climate action and a spread of awareness and consciousness. Restoring the nature we have damaged means, in the first place, restoring ourselves. let us be compassionate, creative and courageous.

Pope Francis, Message for the Launching of the United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration, May 2021

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donate via www.rcdom.org.uk and click on the donate button and search for Sacred Heart or St Gerard's

November Cemetery Services

The month of November is dedicated to praying for those who have died. Times of prayer have been arranged during the month of November in the local cemeteries as listed below. None of the cemetery buildings or toilets will be open for the services or seats available.

New Stevenson Cemetery
on 7th November at 2pm,

Bothwellhaugh Cemetery
on 14th November at 2pm,

Bothwellpark Cemetery
on 21st November at 2pm.

COP26

Bishop Toal will celebrate Mass on Sunday 31st October at 11.30am in St Benedict's Church in Easterhouse to mark the opening of COP26.

Torchlight Rosary Procession at Carfin Grotto: on Sunday 31st October, gathering at 2.45pm to begin the Procession at 3.30pm. Tea and biscuits will be available after the Procession.