

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

Saint Mary Immaculate Larkhall &  
Our Lady & Saint John's Blackwood

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**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**4TH SEPTEMBER 2022**

St Mary's  
Raploch Road  
Larkhall, ML9 1AN

## PARISH FORTY HOURS

### SUNDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER

- 10.00am** Solemn Mass to begin the Forty Hours  
**10.50am** Blessed Sacrament Procession around the grounds of St Mary's  
11.00am Adoration until 6.30pm  
3.00pm Confessions until 4.00pm  
**6.30pm** Sung Vespers with Solemn Benediction

### MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

- 8.00am Adoration until 8.30am  
8.30am Holy Mass  
8.50am Adoration until 12noon  
11.00am Confessions until 11.45am  
**12noon** Holy Mass with anointing of the Sick  
1.00pm Adoration until 8.00pm  
1.30pm Visits by the school children  
2.30pm Confessions until 3.15pm  
3.00pm Chaplet of the Divine Mercy  
6.00pm Confessions until 6.50pm  
6.00pm Recitation of the Holy Rosary  
**7.00pm** Holy Hour for Families with Solemn Benediction

### TUESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

- 8.00am Adoration until 8.30am  
8.30am Holy Mass  
8.50am Confessions until 9.30am  
8.50am Adoration until 7.00pm  
NO 9.30AM MASS IN OUR LADY & ST JOHN'S  
12noon Angelus & Recitation of the Holy Rosary  
1.40pm Visits by the school children  
5.30pm Confessions until 6.15pm  
**6.30pm** Benediction & Closing Mass



**LISTS AT THE BACK OF ST MARY'S FOR WATCHING BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.  
PLEASE SIGN UP IF YOU'RE ABLE TO WATCH FOR A HALF HOUR PERIOD ANY OF THE DAYS.**

The Forty Hours this year will be led by Fr Gavin Landers, a priest of the Diocese of Salford (Manchester) and a contemporary of Fr Wyllie at seminary. He is currently the chaplain to the Manchester Royal Infirmary, the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital, St Mary's Hospital, the Christie Hospital and Trafford General Hospital. Please support Fr Gavin and our parish by coming along to all that you can over the period of the Forty Hours.

# THIS WEEK IN OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

## Sunday 4th September

- 10.00am Holy Mass for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)  
10.50am Blessed Sacrament Procession around church grounds (St Mary's)  
11.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 7.30pm (St Mary's)  
12noon Holy Mass for the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Our Lady & St John's)  
3.00pm Confessions until 4.00pm (St Mary's)  
5.00pm Holy Mass for the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Our Lady & St John's)  
6.30pm Solemn Choral Vespers with Benediction (St Mary's)

## Monday 5th September *(St Mary's opens at 7.50am)*

- 8.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.30am (St Mary's)  
8.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)  
8.50am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11.45am (St Mary's)  
12noon Holy Mass with anointing of the sick (St Mary's)  
1.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.00pm (St Mary's)  
1.30pm Visits by school children (St Mary's)  
2.30pm Confessions until 3.15pm (St Mary's)  
3.00pm Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet (St Mary's)  
6.00pm Confessions until 6.50pm (St Mary's)  
6.00pm Recitation of the Holy Rosary (St Mary's)  
7.00pm Holy Hour for Families with Solemn Benediction (St Mary's)

## Tuesday 6th September *(St Mary's opens at 7.50am)*

- 8.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.30am (St Mary's)  
8.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)  
8.50am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 6.30pm (St Mary's)  
8.50am Confessions until 9.30am (St Mary's)  
12noon Angelus & Recitation of the Holy Rosary (St Mary's)  
1.40pm Visits by school children (St Mary's)  
5.30pm Confessions until 6.15pm (St Mary's)  
6.30pm Solemn Benediction & Closing Mass (St Mary's)

## Wednesday 7th September

- NO MORNING ADORATION, CONFESSIONS OR MASS IN ST MARY'S**  
6.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 6.55pm (Our Lady & St John's)  
6.30pm Confessions until 6.50pm (Our Lady & St John's)  
7.00pm Holy Mass for Wednesday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time (OLSJ)

## Thursday 8th September

- 9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9.25am (Our Lady & St John's)  
9.00am Confessions until 9.20am (Our Lady & St John's)  
9.30am Holy Mass for the Feast of the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Our Lady & St John's)

## Friday 9th September

- 10.00am Holy Mass for the Memoria of St Peter Claver (St Mary's)

## Saturday 10th September

- 4.45pm Confessions until 5.15pm  
5.30pm Vigil Mass for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (St Mary's)

**PLEASE CONSIDER COMING TO WEEKDAY MASS WHEN YOU ARE ABLE**

## ECCLESIASTICAL STUDENTS FUND

**A Second Collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, to help train our future priests.**  
Please be as generous as you always are in helping to fund the training for our six seminarians.

## PROJECT GAMBIA

Working with a range of partners both in the UK and in The Gambia, Project Gambia has, since 2007, established a range of projects in schools, villages, and farms to provide education, support, and funding to enable people to find a sustainable solution to poverty. Project Gambia have asked to come and give us an update on the work they have been doing since their last visit before Covid. **After Mass next weekend there will be a bucket collection outside the church for us to contribute to the work they are doing in The Gambia.**

## A VERY WARM WELCOME

Over the next few days we welcome Fr Gavin Landers to our parish to lead our parish celebration of the Forty Hours. Fr Landers will be available to hear confessions as well as celebrate the Masses and other liturgies. We hope he enjoys his time north of the border. We keep him in our prayers as he leads us in this time of prayer. Please support all that's going on.

## SOLEMN CHORAL VESPERS

**After the success of the Solemn Choral Vespers for the Solemnity of the Assumption, the Schola Benedicti will be back here in the parish to lead the Solemn Choral Vespers for the Forty Hours tonight (Sunday). The attendance at the last Vespers was excellent and so we are hoping that all those who came to the first Vespers will come out this evening. Fr Wyllie invites and encourages everyone to come along to support our Forty Hours and the Schola Benedicti.**

### PARISH FINANCES

Collection & Donations:	£910.00
Standing Orders & Bank Transfers:	£1,197.00
Stall:	£20.00
Votives:	£105.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>£2,232.00</b>

**Many thanks for your very generous support**

### CONGRATULATIONS

The parish community extends its congratulations to Everly & Noah Smith who were baptised last Sunday in Our Lady & St John's. We keep them both in our prayers and we ask God's blessings upon them and their mum and dad, Sarah and Graeme.

### PARISH INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

Our Parish International Night will take place in the Parish Hall **this Friday beginning at 6.30pm.** Raffle prizes would be gratefully received, please hand them into the sacristy. The bar will be open for those attending to purchase refreshments. **All parishioners are warmly invited to come along and enjoy the evening.** The Hall will be set up on Thursday evening at 6.30pm, so any help would be greatly appreciated. Any flags or other items from the various countries should be brought then too.



### EARLY MORNING MASSES

It was suggested at the Parish Pastoral Planning Team that an early morning Mass be introduced to both churches to allow parents, pupils and teachers of our schools and parishioners to attend an early morning Mass at least once a week. Fr Wyllie is very happy to try this and see how it goes. Our Lady & St John's will have Mass on a Tuesday morning at 8.30am and St Mary's will have Mass on a Wednesday morning at 8.30am beginning from 13th/14th September. These will be term-time Masses.

### ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Fr Wyllie celebrates the 5th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood this coming Thursday (8th September). Please keep him in your prayers as he marks this anniversary and ask God to guide him and lead him in the service of you, the people of God.

### PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

The Parish Pastoral Planning Team met on Tuesday of last week to discuss a wide range of topics pertaining to the life of the parish. The minutes from the meeting will be available for parishioners next weekend. Please feel free to take a copy home with you next week.

### VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

Vocations Awareness Week begins next Sunday, when we, as a Church, plead with God to send us vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. We will pray the Holy Rosary before Masses that week (except when there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament) asking Our Lady to intercede on our behalf that more young men and women will answer the Lord's call to serve him as priests and religious in our world today. Please keep this intention in your prayers every day, not just that week, but every day.

### NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

On Sunday 25th September, the Bishops of Scotland together with priests from across the country will celebrate Mass in Carfin Grotto at 3.00pm. All Scotland's Catholics are invited to attend Mass and venerate the relics of St Bernadette. A list for a bus from the parish can be found at the back of the church. **NO 5.00PM MASS THAT DAY.**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

**SICK** - Selina Gold, Adrienne McEnhill, Kathy Newbound, Ernie Girvan, Pat Whalin, Charles Kennedy (Florida), James Ferguson, Alice Cumming, Janet McIntosh, Annette Thomson, Kathleen Brannigan, Mandy Murray McVie, Kevin Feeney

**RIP** - Eileen Coyle

**MONTHS MINDS & ANNIVERSARIES** - Patrick Lyons, John McManus, Charles Morrison, The Morrison, Maguire & McStay Families, John Corr, Mary Corr, Jennifer Cochran, William Tait

**Please remember to have your dead loved ones prayed for on their anniversary**

## SAINT BERNADETTE RELICS AT CARFIN GROTTA

### Saturday 24th September

10.30am Holy Rosary  
11.00am Arrival of the Relics  
11.30am Holy Mass  
5.00pm Parish Vigil Mass  
6.00pm All-night Vigil  
*Throughout the night there will be priests available to hear confessions.*  
7.00pm Evening Prayer  
9.00pm Holy Rosary  
12.00am Holy Rosary  
3.00am Holy Rosary  
5.00am Holy Rosary  
7.00am Morning Prayer  
7.30am Holy Mass

### Sunday 25th September

9.00am Holy Mass  
11.00am Holy Mass  
3.00pm Scottish National Pilgrimage  
6.00pm Torchlight Procession  
9.00pm Night Prayer  
10.00pm Church closes

### Monday 26th– Friday 30th September

8.00am Church opens  
9.00am Confessions  
9.15am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Holy Rosary  
10.00am Holy Mass & veneration of the relic  
11.00am Confessions  
12.30pm Holy Rosary  
12.30pm Confessions  
1.00pm Holy Mass & veneration of the relic  
3.00pm Liturgy of Water (Grotto)  
8.00pm Torchlight Procession  
*(Tuesday-Friday)*  
9.00pm Holy Mass  
10.00pm Church closes

### Saturday 1st October

7.00am Holy Mass  
8.00am Relics depart

*Diocese of Motherwell's Pilgrimage day is Friday 30th September. More details to follow.*

## KIRKMUIRHILL PARISH CHURCH GUILD

The members of Kirkmuirhill Guild would like to invite their friends from other local guilds to their opening social musical evening on Tuesday 6th September at 7.30pm in Kirkmuirhill Church Hall. You can contact Anne Grew on 07709 805808 or email her at: [annemcgshaw@btinternet.com](mailto:annemcgshaw@btinternet.com)

## VENERABLE MARGARET SINCLAIR

The 2022 National Pilgrimage to pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday 18th September from 2.00pm to 6.00pm at St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NA. 2.00pm - Rosary; 2.20pm - Confessions & Adoration & Benediction; 3.15pm - Talk by Dr John Watts; 3.30pm - Free Time; 4.30pm - Holy Mass. Refreshments available.

## THE LITTLE CHILDREN'S MARKET

The Little Children's Market is coming to Larkhall. We bring you quality, preloved baby & children's items to support the local community. Our next event is in Larkhall Leisure Centre on Sunday 9th October, 11.00am - 12:30pm. Parishioners from St Mary's & Our Lady & St John's are invited to pop along and support this event. We are also collecting baby toiletries to help families in need which can be handed in on the day. If anyone would like to book a table, please contact Dana Hill on 07841610100. Your support is greatly appreciated.