

THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY SUNDAY (A), 19th NOVEMBER 2023

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SAINT MARY, STAR OF THE SEA

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OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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Safeguarding Mobile Phone Numbers: Contact our Parish Safeguarding Coordinators: 1) Largs – Mr. Lewis Docherty on 07707 598929; 2) Millport (.....).

Crosshouse Hospital chaplain: Fr. Stephen McGrattan at crosshousehospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or 01563 521832;

Ayr Hospital chaplain: Fr. Benjamin Mkeri at ayrhospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or 01655 882145.

Holy Mass (all Masses in person & live-streamed):

Largs: Saturday Vigil, 6pm; Sunday, 10am.

Weekday Mass, 10am, Mon-Fri, except 2nd Thursdays.

Holidays of Obligation: Vigil, 7pm; Day Mass at 10am only.

Millport: Sunday, 12.15pm; 2nd Thursdays, 10am.

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Reconciliation or Confession:

Largs: Saturdays, 5-5.45pm; Mondays, after 10am Mass.

Millport: After 10am Mass every 2nd Thursday.

Eucharistic Adoration & Prayers for Vocations to the Priesthood on Mondays at 2pm, Largs (Hall).

Charismatic Prayer Meeting on Fridays at 2pm, Largs (Hall).

Prayer Line: Please ring 07746 923 680 for prayerful support.

Tea & Coffee in St. Mary's Hall after Sunday 10am Mass

Sick: Margaret Gallagher, Helen McShane, Colette McCafferty, Bruce McDougall, Jessie Clements, May Holland, Eithne Brown, Mary Lyden, Yena Green, Mary Boyce, Hugh Millar, Anton McCann, Rena Lee, Jim Lee, Brian Gilligan, Liam McDermott, Frank McCarthy, Baby Ethan Ferguson, Harry Sammons, Henry McMonagle, Joseph Bennett, Margaret Bennett, Suzanne Kerr, Charles Shaw, Janice Hamilton, Peter Kelly, James Martin, Chris Hyde, Robert Macmillan, Patricia Brown, John & Elizabeth Robertson, Barry Smith, Natasha McNicol, Suzanne Kelly, Margaret Fitzpatrick, William McGrath, Jacqueline Docherty, Mgr. Thomas Canon Egan, Kenneth Collins, Mary McCaffrey, Margaret Maguire, Tom Maguire, Margaret MacMillan, Betty O'Donnell, Linda Scott, Ann Clark, Fr. Eamonn Flynn, Nancy Heaton, Mary McQueen, Esther Murphy, Bill Callison, Sheila Davidson, Marc Codona, Sheila Ferguson, Sandra Canning, Kristine Wallace. **Recently Deceased:** ... **Anniversary of Death:** Tessa Cassidy.

Sat/Sun. Psalm Response, if sung: Blessed are those who love the Lord.

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WHEN IN THE CHURCH**

SUNDAY, Year A

WEEKDAY, Year I

COMMEMORATION	READINGS & MASS INTENTION
19/11: 33 rd Ordinary Sunday - green. Catholic Education Sunday.	Proper All Souls (6pm Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) All Souls (12.15pm)
20/11: Mass for Peace in the Holy Land, or "Mass in Time of War" - green	Ordinary Week 33, Mon All Souls
21/11: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - white	Ordinary Week 33, Tue All Souls
22/11: St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr (5 th cent.) - red	Ordinary Week 33, Wed All Souls
23/11: Votive Mass of the Holy Eucharist - white	Ordinary Week 33, Thu All Souls
24/11: St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions, Martyrs (17 th -19 th cent.) - red	Ordinary Week 33, Fri All Souls
25/11: Commemorative Mass deceased Parishioners of both parishes, Dec. 2022 to Nov. 2023	Proper All Souls
26/11: Solemnity of Christ the King - white	Proper All Souls (6pm Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) All Souls (12.15pm)

A = Anniversary of Death; RD = Recently Deceased; D = Deceased; S = Sick; SI = Special Intention; RIP = Requiem Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Day	Largs	Millport
Sunday	---	4-5pm (S)
Monday	9.20-9.55am (R) 2-3pm (R) (H)	---
Tuesday	9.20-9.55am (R)	---
Wednesday	9.20-9.55am (R)	---
Thursday 1, 3, 4 (& 5)	9.20-9.55am (R)	1.45pm (R)
Thursday 1 only	6.30-8pm (R)	---
Thursday 2 only	---	9-9.55am (R)
Every Thursday	---	2-3pm (R)
Friday	9.20-9.55am (R)	---
2 nd Saturday only	5-5.55pm (S)	---

S = Silent; R = Rosary; H = Hall

Please note: no adoration or rosary prior to a funeral.

NOTICES

COMMEMORATIVE MASS FOR ALL DECEASED PARISHIONERS: On Saturday 25th November at 10am, in St. Mary's Church. While the families of the deceased from both our parishes are most especially invited to attend, this is an occasion for all parishioners to express their charity and support for the bereaved in our community. I urge everyone to come along. Tea in the hall after Mass.

LITURGY THIS WEEK: Let us persist with our prayers for peace in the Holy Land at Mass this coming Monday. On

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 Tuesday we celebrate the traditional feast of the Presentation of the Child Mary, a prefiguring of her consecration at the Annunciation and an echo of her Immaculate Conception. On Wednesday and Friday, we see “red” as we celebrate the martyrdom of the young St. Cecilia and of the many Vietnamese Martyrs of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. We gently pursue our Eucharistic Revival with a Mass of the Eucharist on Thursday.

FR. FERDINAND ONWUKA has kindly agreed to celebrate weekday Masses this coming week while Fr. Peter is away for a few days’ pre-Advent prayer and rest.

MILLPORT ROSARY PRAYER MEETING: No weekly Rosary Prayer Meeting on Thursday 23rd November.

SERVICE OF LIGHT, PRAYER AND SONG FOR PEACE: St. Mary’s, Sunday 26th November, Feast of Christ the King of the Universe and Prince of Peace, at 6pm. This Service is intended for any believer or non-believer in Largs and the surrounding area who wants to join with others in praying, or simply in sharing the strong desire, for peace in the Holy Land, in Ukraine and Russia and across the world. Spread the word and bring a friend or two!

INTER-RELIGIOUS DIALOGUE COLLOQUIUM: “With the Living God at the Centre”. For Catholics interested in or active in Interreligious Dialogue. Part 1: Online 7pm November 24th (Open to all). Part 2: Residential at Conforti Centre Coatbridge, 23rd & 24th February 2024 (Limited places). For more information: <https://www.interreligiousdialogue.org.uk/colloquium>

CATHOLIC EDUCATION “WEEK” runs from 16th to the 30th November, thus from the feast of St. Margaret to the solemnity of St. Andrew. The theme this year is “Pilgrims of Faith” and is a preparatory year for the Jubilee of 2025 which has the theme “Pilgrims of Hope”.

“RELATIONSHIPS, SEXUAL HEALTH & PARENTING”: The Scottish Government is consulting on guidance it intends to provide to all Scottish Schools on these matters, revising the guidance it has already issued in 2014. The Bishops of Scotland have now issued a statement in response to this guidance. Here it is:

“The Bishops’ Conference of Scotland is both disappointed and confused at the decision by the Scottish Government to delete all reference to Catholic schools in its ‘Guidance on the Delivery of Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood (RSHP) Education in Scottish Schools’ document. We strongly request the re-insertion of the paragraphs relating to Denominational Education from the previous iteration of the guidance, which would reflect both the legal protection for schools with a Religious Character, and the previously supportive position of Scottish Government for Catholic schools.”

The Bishops urgently invite individual Catholics, especially, but not only, those involved in education, to respond to the Government consultation in asking for the same action as the Bishops. The closing date is 23rd November. To help you in this consultation, I have put on the parish website three papers provided by SCES: <https://www.rclargsandmillport.com/2023/11/10/consultation-of-scottish-government-on-relationships-sexual-health-parenting/>

PAX CHRISTI SCOTLAND: AGM, 24th November. Please click on the link for more info: <https://www.paxchristiscotland.org/events/>

LEGION OF MARY (St. Mary’s): Meetings are on Wednesdays after the 10am Mass. New members welcome. Contact M. Ryan on 675593 for more information.

PRO-LIFE GROUP: 1) Next meeting is on Friday, 1st December at 11am in St. Mary’s hall. New members always most welcome; 2) Post-cards will be handed out this weekend in Largs inviting parishioners to lobby the Government to end “DIY” abortion pills.

CAROL KELSO OF BEING CATHOLIC MEDIA will come to our parish on Saturday, December 9th to give a talk. Carol will share her testimony with us on her journey back to God and what led her into Catholic Media. Carol will also share on “Do not be afraid” in light of the times we live in and on the Divine Will - what led her to it and the writings of Luisa Piccarreta and the recent Divine Will Day she hosted in her own parish of Falkirk. Talk will begin at 2pm in the church hall.

PARISH FESTIVAL, 16-29 SEPTEMBER 2024 (St. Mary’s): Please get in touch directly with Celia Lewis if you wish to contribute in any minor or major way to the Festival. Contact Celia on: cecilylewislargs17@gmail.com

BOOK CLUB (St. Mary’s): Next meeting on Tuesday 28th November at 2pm in St. Mary’s Hall. All are welcome.

YOUTH HUB: Next meeting on Friday 24th November from 6.30-8pm in the parish hall. Children from P7 to S3 are all welcome to attend and enjoy the food, fun and fellowship! Contact: Ed Stewart on Tel. 07796 209986, and edwardastewart70@gmail.com, for further information.

PRISONERS WEEK 2023, 19-25 November: Please click on the link for more info: <https://www.prisonersweek.org.uk>

ST. MARY’S CHURCH STALL: A very good selection of Christmas cards and gifts are on sale after every Mass.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: 1) **For Catholic Education**, 18-19 November; 2) **For Libya**, 9-10 December; 3) **For the Holy Land**, there will be one collection only at all Christmas Masses, 24-25 December. The three collections to go abroad will go through SCIAF.

Looking ahead

25/11, 10am	Mass for parishioners who have died during 2023 (both parishes),
26/11, 6pm	Service of Light for Peace
3/12	1 st Sunday of Advent
12/12, 7pm	School Nativity Play
14/12, 2pm	Penance Service
25/12	Christmas is on a Monday
21/1	Word of God Sunday
21/1, 5pm	Ecumenical Service, Christian Unity Octave