

NINETEENTH SUNDAY, 10th AUGUST 2025

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SAINT MARY, STAR OF THE SEA

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OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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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.

Holidays of Obligation, 12.15pm only.

Sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession:

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

First Mondays of the Month: 7-8pm.

Millport: After 10am Mass every 2nd Thursday.

Eucharistic Adoration & Prayers for Vocations to the Priesthood on

Mondays at 2pm, Largs (Hall).

Divine Mercy Chaplet (Largs): Fridays 2.30-3.30pm.

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

Bible Study Group (Largs): Thursdays, 2.15pm, in the hall

(bar the last Thursday in the month).

Book Club (Largs): Last Thursday, 2.15pm in the hall.

Chat 'N Do (Largs): Wednesdays, 1-3pm in the hall.

Youth Hub (Largs: P7-S3): Last Fridays, 6.30-8pm in the hall.

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

SVDP phone number: 0777 763 7369.

Please direct all enquiries and requests directly to this number.

Safeguarding Mobile Phone Numbers: Contact our Parish Safeguarding

Coordinators: 1) Largs - Lewis Docherty on 07707 598929; 2) Millport

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Recently Deceased: Doreen Strachan. **Anniversary of Death:** Margaret

Parker, Anna Martin, John Kelly, Tommy Connick, Isabella Phillips. **Sick:**

Margaret Dalzell, Agatha McAllister, Betty McLean, Michael McSorley,

Sandi Bray, Joan Downie, Margaret Kett, Joseph Robb, Alison Foran,

Anton Slanger, Tom Maguire, Angela Fraser, Dale Cooper, May Fulton, Iain

McBride, Caterina King, John Nicol, Dara Gillespie, Ruth Maguire, Frank

Murray, Karen Ortiz, Brian Murphy, Jose Nagel Paster, Margaret Gallagher,

Helen McShane, Colette McCafferty, Jessie Clements, May Holland, Eithne

Brown, Mary Lyden, Ylena Green, Hugh Millar, Anton McCann, Rena Lee,

Jim Lee, Brian Gilligan, Liam McDermott, Frank McCarthy, Baby Ethan

Ferguson, Henry McMonagle, Joseph Bennett, Elizabeth Robertson, Barry

Smith, Margaret Fitzpatrick, William McGrath, Betty O'Donnell, Linda

Scott, Ann Clark, Bill Callison, Jordan McGee, Sheila Ferguson, Kristine

Wallace, John Harkin, Jim Gallagher, Elaine Peebles, Claire McGee, Michelle

Rail Stephenson, Janice Hamilton, Theresa Conway, Catherine Dawson,

Karen Bohme, John Alexander, Catherine Montgomery.

Sung Psalm Response: Blessed the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage.

A WARM WELCOME TO ONE AND ALL!

PLEASE SILENCE MOBILE PHONES!

FOR HEALTH & SAFETY REASONS, PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THE FRONT CIRCLE OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH! DROP-OFFS ONLY.

WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, Year C	WEEKDAY, Year I
COMMEMORATION	READINGS & MASS INTENTION
10/8: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – green	Cathal McGlynn, A (Vigil) Kenny Nicholson, A (10am) Special Intention (12.15pm)
11/8: St. Clare, Virgin (d. 1253) – white MASS IN THE HALL	Week 19, Mon Stephanie Darnall, A
12/8: Feria – green MASS IN THE HALL	Week 19, Tue Sister John, SI
13/8: Feria – green MASS IN THE HALL	Week 19, Wed Sister Louis, SI
14/8: St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr (d.1941) – red. Mass in Millport	Week 19, Thu Sister Christine, SI
14/8: 7pm Vigil Mass of the Assumption of Our Lady MASS IN THE CHURCH	Proper Intention of Celebrant
15/8: Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. 10am MASS IN THE CHURCH	Proper Sister Celine, SI
15/8: 12.15pm Mass in Millport	Tommy Connick, A
16/8: Feria	---
17/8: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – green	Sister Imelda, SI (Vigil) Jim Hendry, A (10am) Jean Carr, A (12.15pm)

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Day	Largs	Millport
Sunday	---	4-5pm (S)*
Monday	9-9.55am (R) 2-3pm (R) (H)	---
Tuesday	9-9.55am (R)	1.45-2.45pm (R)*
Wednesday	9-9.55am (R)	---
Thursday 1, 3, 4 (& 5)	9-9.55am (R)	---
Thursday 1 only	6.30-8pm (R)	---
Thursday 2 only	---	9-9.55am (R)
Thursday 3 only	7.30-8.30pm (S)	---
Friday	9-9.55am (R) 2.30-3.30pm (DM)	---

S = Silent; R = Rosary; H = Hall. DM – Divine Mercy Chaplet.

No Rosary/Adoration before funerals. * **Suspended for July-August**

NOTICES

HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION: We celebrate the glorious Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven on Friday 15th August. There will be a 7pm Vigil Mass on Wednesday 14th August and then a 10am in Largs and 12.15pm in Millport on the 15th itself.

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CANON MATT McMANUS: A warm welcome back to Canon Matt who will be celebrating the 12.15pm Mass in Millport on Friday 15th August (Assumption) and Sunday 17th August.

FR. FERDINAND ONWUKA: For any urgent sick call, please call Fr. Ferdinand on 07404 623 741.

MASS THIS COMING WEEK (St. Mary's): Due to the ongoing work on the parquet flooring in the church, weekday Masses in Largs this week, up to and including Wednesday morning **will be all be in the HALL** at 10am with exposition, etc., but Sunday Masses next weekend (16/17 August) will as usual be in the church. However, for the Feast of the Assumption, Masses will be in the church (7pm Vigil on 14th; 10am on 15th). Masses next Sunday (Vigil and morning) will always be in the church.

Please note that the **10am Mass on Thursday will be in Millport.**

FOR ANY REQUIEM MASSES in Largs and surrounding area for the next couple of weeks, we will have to adapt to the circumstances of the works going on. If the Requiem Mass cannot take place in the church or the hall, it will take place in St. Columba's Scottish Episcopal Church, depending on the family's choice. I am very grateful to Pastor Mark Goodman and his parishioners for opening their doors to us.

BEGINNING 27th AUGUST, morning Mass in St. Mary's on Wednesdays will be moved from 10am to 8am. It will be a “low” Mass (no singing or homily) and won't be preceded by Adoration or Rosary. My hope is that it will allow workers to have an early Mass. It will also allow me to have a full day off!

LITURGY THIS WEEK: The Assumption of Our Lady on Friday dominates this coming week and gives us reason to be filled with hope and the joy which it gives. St. Maximilian Kolbe (Thursday) was an avid devotee of the “Assumpta” throughout his life and had the wonderful privilege of being martyred on the vigil of Her feast day. The beautiful witness to the poor and humble Christ of St. Clare of Assisi graces the start of the week on Monday. Her tender love for the incarnate Jesus challenges an attitude to Him which is too dry and intellectual. Tuesday and Wednesday are feria days, a chance to rest in the gift of the ordinariness of every day.

DEANERY MASS FOR VOCATIONS (St. Mary's): With a view to raising vocations awareness and to praying the Lord of the harvest to send more labourers into his harvest, our St. Mary's Deanery is planning occasional Vocations Masses in different parishes. On Tuesday 16th September, then, there will be a Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood in St. Mary's in Largs at 7pm. Please mark the date and time and make the effort to come out that evening to pray for this important intention. Bring a friend and pass the word: we want the church to have standing room only!

ST. MARY'S PARISH SHRINE IN HONOUR OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS, SAINT FRANCIS & SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI: The fund currently stands at **£12,814.13**. Sincerest thanks to **every single person** who has made this possible. May God reward you.

The fund remains open. To make a contribution towards the shrine, there are “donation envelopes” (Gift Aid-able) in the church porch of St. Mary's. On the contactless terminal there is also an option to donate towards the Blessed Carlo shrine. There is, too, a QR code on the parish website.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): The course for 2025-2026 will commence from 7-8pm on **Tuesday 2nd September** and will continue on Tuesday evenings. Nearer the time a full programme and calendar will be made available.

*Any unbaptised adult is warmly welcomed and encouraged to sign up (see form in church porch) even just on a “come and see” basis.

*Any baptised adult, be they non-Catholic or Catholic (who has perhaps been away from Church for a while), is also more than welcome to sign up. For a lapsed Catholic, it could be a “refresher” course in their knowledge of the Catholic Faith.

I invite all parishioners to speak to anyone you think may just need that wee nudge to take the next step. Let's all pray and work hard at this during July and August! Soon, we will post the invitation on parish social media. Any parishioner who would like to volunteer as a sponsor or to help with the catechesis or to join a support prayer team, please fill out the form provided in the church porch.

JUBILEE EVENT: the parishes of North Ayrshire (St Mary's Deanery) will be joined by people from across the Diocese for our event marking 2025 as a Jubilee under the theme “Pilgrims of Hope”. On Sunday 14th September - the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross - we will walk from St John's Church Stevenston to St Peter's Ardrossan on a Pilgrims of Hope walk and then have a picnic for individuals, groups & families on the grass directly in front of St Peter's (near the HMS Dasher memorial). Those unable to walk the whole distance can choose to walk from St Mary's Saltcoats, or even just meet the ‘Pilgrims’ at St Peter's. After the picnic we will gather in St Peter's Church for a short service and celebration. Should the weather prove too poor to picnic outside we will ‘picnic’ in St Peter's Hall instead. Please keep the date and start making your plans for the day. Timings are 2:30pm at St John's, 3:15pm at St Mary's with the closing liturgy starting at 5pm in St Peter's Church. All very welcome, please bring your own picnic and come equipped for the weather on the day.

I encourage everyone to attend this event: make it a family and friends' day out and a chance to experience the wider Catholic Church in our area. We could consider running a bus but the cost of doing so has become increasingly prohibitive. It would be cheaper for people to make their own way or go with friends.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO WHITHORN: Sunday 31st August. A sheet is available at the back of the church for anyone who wishes to sign up to go on the pilgrimage. We have ordered an 18-seater bus so it's a case of first come, first served. The cost of the bus (and we got in early!) is £660. I must therefore regretfully ask for £15 per adult and the parish will cover the deficit. Bus leaves promptly from outside St. Mary's at 10.30am and will return there in the evening.

YOUTH (P6-S4) PILGRIMAGE TO WHITHORN: As part of the annual National Pilgrimage to Whithorn the Youth Office will be running a Youth Pilgrimage. Join with young people from across the Diocese as we gather to learn more about the life and witness of St Ninian. In the morning we'll have games, activities, lunch (please bring a packed lunch) and a talk at the Isle of Whithorn, before walking to the beach for Mass with Bishop Frank. Free transport available, please register by scanning the QR code on the poster or searching for @rcdgyouth on social media.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGES: **Carfin**, Sunday 7th September; **Venerable Margaret Sinclair Centenary Pilgrimage**, Sunday 21st September, St. Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh.

