

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY, 19th OCTOBER 2025

MISSION SUNDAY

"ALL SCRIPTURE IS BREATHED OUT BY GOD" (2 Timothy 3:16)

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.

10am Mass on Mon, Tue, Thu (except 2nd Thursdays) & Fri.

8am Mass on Wednesdays.

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

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

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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).

Parishes' Pro-Life Group: First Fridays after 10am Mass, except for
the months of January, July and August.

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

Chat 'N Do (Largs): Wednesdays, 1-3pm 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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Crosshouse Hospital chaplain: Fr. Stephen McGrattan at

crosshousehospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or 01563 521832;

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Recently Deceased:.... Anniversary of Death: Margaret Greer, Kenneth

McComish, Eleanor Robertson, Josephine MacLean, Mary Theresa Balmer.

Sick: Michelle Righetti, Agatha McAllister, Betty McLean, Michael

McSorley, Sandi Bray, Margaret Kett, Joseph Robb, Alison Foran, Tom

Maguire, Angela Fraser, Dale Cooper, May Fulton, Iain McBride, Caterina

King, John Nicol, Frank Murray, Brian Murphy, 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, Elizabeth Robertson, Barry Smith, Margaret

Fitzpatrick, William McGrath, Betty O'Donnell, Linda Scott, Jordan McGee,

Sheila Ferguson, Michelle Rall Stephenson, Catherine Dawson, Karen

Bohme, John Alexander, Catherine Montgomery.

Sung Psalm Response: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

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
19/10: Twenty-Ninth Ordinary Sunday - green. Mission Sunday	Jim Bonnar, A (Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) Gerry Watt, A (12.15pm)
20/10: Jubilee Mass - white	Week 29, Mon Jean Cooper, D
21/10: Mary, Mother of the Church - blue	Week 29, Tue Danny Fitzpatrick, D
22/10: Pope St. John Paul II (d. 2005) - white	Week 29, Wed Dora Beeteson, D
23/10: Votive Mass of the Holy Eucharist - white	Week 29, Thu Jane Dell, A
24/10: Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart - white	Week 29, Fri Brenda MacDonald, D
25/10: ---	---
26/10: Thirtieth Ordinary Sunday - green.	John Hutchinson, A (Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) Jane Dell, 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)	---
Thursday 1, 3, 4 (& 5)	9-9.55am (R)	3-4pm (R)
Thursday 1 only	6.30-8pm (R)	3-4pm (R)
Thursday 2 only	---	9-9.55am (R)
Thursday 2	---	3-4pm (R)
Thursday 3 only	7.30-8.30pm (S)	---
Thursday 3	---	3-4pm (R)
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. ***To be announced from week to week**

NOTICES

LITURGY THIS WEEK: Well do I remember being in St. Peter's Square in Rome when Pope St. John Paul II was elected on 16th October 1978. The first non-Italian in five centuries, he was to prove to be one of the greats in recent times. "Do not be afraid" was the rallying cry he gave to the Church and the world because he himself was fearless in the cause of Christ. We remember him on Wednesday. For the rest of the week, we revisit again some of the favourite devotions and truths of our faith: the Motherhood of Mary, the Holy Eucharist, the Sacred Heart and, this year, the Jubilee theme of pilgrims into hope.

POPE LEO XIV INVITES all members of the Church to pray the Holy Rosary during the month of October for peace in the world. Please offer a personal rosary for this intention every

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day of October. Rosary prior to morning weekday Mass will be offered collectively for the Pope’s intention of peace.

MILLPORT ADORATION: Sunday 19th, 4-5pm.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Tuesday evenings from 6.30-7.30pm, St. Mary’s Hall. Please pray daily for our catechumens, James and Laurie.

SYNODAL CONSULTATION ON THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Thank you to everyone who organized and participated in the conversations in the Spirit, in both parishes, which Bishop Frank asked us to hold in relation to the Sacrament of Confirmation. Feedback has been very positive, although it does take time to get used to this way/method of working. **The third conversation, which will discuss the question of the age at which the Sacrament should be administered, will take place on Sunday 9th November, after the 12.15pm Mass in Millport, and at 5pm in St. Mary’s hall.** I especially encourage young parents in the parish to get involved in this one, but everyone is, as always, most welcome. A sign-up sheet will be made available on the last Sunday of October.

SIGNS OF HOPE: The theme for the month of October is taken from the document which the late Pope Francis called, “Hope does not disappoint”, written in preparation for this Jubilee Year. The theme is the need of signs of hope for the billions of poor on our planet. You will find the leaflet corresponding to this theme in the church porch. After quoting the words of Pope Francis, the leaflet offers some reflections. It then gives some short Scripture quotes regarding God’s care for the poor followed by a short bio of saints who spent themselves for the poor. Some words of Pope St. John XXIII on the poor are then given. The leaflet concludes with a prayer.

ST. MARY’S PARISH SHRINE IN HONOUR OF SAINT CARLO ACUTIS, SAINT FRANCIS & SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI: As of 31st August, the fund currently stands at **£13,616.77**. Sincerest thanks to every single person who has contributed. May God reward you. An anonymous donor has contributed out of the blue a huge gift of US \$10,000 towards the shrine. It will appear in the total for September. St. Carlo has been working hard!

THE LEGION OF MARY: St Mary’s Praesidium invites parishioners (over the age of 18) to join us in our Lay Apostolate. Our prayerful meeting (Rosary, Legion prayers, Spiritual reading, short talk by our Spiritual Director and reports on work undertaken), takes place on Wednesdays at 10.15a.m. in the small meeting room (entry via back door of the church), and lasts no longer than 1hr 30mins. Our main work undertaken in twos, is visiting the sick and housebound, at home, in hospital and in nursing homes. We also visit St Mary’s Primary to pray the Rosary with the children. You are very welcome to come and see.

THE LOSS OF A BABY: In recent times there has been more recognition of the effect of the loss of a baby on all concerned. Parishes around Scotland are taking part this year in acknowledging the impact of this loss. In St. Mary’s the Pro-Life Group plans a Service of Reflection in the church on Sunday 26 October, 3.00 - 4.00pm. All are welcome. There will be a leaflet of prayers and reflections provided to support one’s own prayers and memories. There will be the opportunity to light a candle of remembrance and to take a candle home to join a global ‘Wave of Light’ in memory of all the babies who lit up our lives for such a short time.

HANDICAPPED CHILDREN’S PILGRIMAGE TRUST: HCPT Group 138 are currently looking for new volunteers (Over 21) to travel with us to Lourdes at Easter 2026! HCPT is a nationwide Catholic charity that takes children and young people with disabilities and additional needs on a life-changing pilgrimage to Lourdes. It’s a joyful, faith-filled experience that brings together love, laughter, and community in a truly special way. Our group is made up of a wonderful mix of ages and backgrounds—students, working adults, retirees—and we truly believe there’s a place for everyone. Whether you’re young or young at heart, all are welcome! Come and be part of something extraordinary with HCPT Group 138! Interested? Contact Niamh McHugh on 07496031566 or group138@hcpt.org.uk

YOUTH (P6-S4) EVENINGS – LAUNCHING 26TH OCTOBER: Our Diocesan Youth invites you to join their new monthly Youth Evenings in **St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan** which launch on Sunday 26th October. Open to all young people in P6-S4, and led by their S3 Junior Leaders, the evenings offer young people an opportunity to come together and to grow in friendship and faith through Mass, games, activities, pizza, and a talk. The theme for their first evening will be “Mary”. The evening begins with Mass at 5.00 pm, following which they’ll continue in the Hall, finishing at 7.00 pm. Interested? Save time on the night and complete a parental consent form on their website: youth.rcdg.org.uk. Travelling to the evening or want to stay to see what’s happening? There’s an area set aside for parents with tea, coffee, and biscuits provided. See you there!

ADVENT YOUTH (P7-S4) RETREAT: Are you in P7-S4? Why not join the Youth Office’s Advent Retreat from 28th-30th November at Gowanbank (near Darvel). The weekend will include a range of outdoor activities, as well as games, talks, prayer and plenty of time to relax and get to know other young people from across the Diocese better – all led by the Youth Office team. For full details, and to register, go to: youth.rcdg.org.uk and click on ‘Advent Youth Retreat’.

YOUTH 200 CLUB: Are you passionate about supporting youth and young adults’ ministry in Galloway? The Youth Office runs events across the Diocese to help young people grow in faith and friendship to come to know and love God through like-minded groups. To help continue to run and grow these events, as well as supporting participation for disadvantaged persons, they’re launching a new 200 Club. For £5 a month you can help support their work and win cash prizes. For details, and to register, go to: youth.rcdg.org.uk/200-club Forms are available at the back of St. Mary’s Church to sign up!

SPECIAL COLLECTION: Mission Sunday collection at all Masses this weekend.

SOME DIARY DATES

Date	Event	Where	When
Sun 9/11	Third Conversation in the Spirit	St. M’s Hall Our Lady’s	5pm 1.15pm
Sat 22/11	Mass for deceased of parish, 12/24-11/25	St. Mary’s church	10am
Fri 28/11	Mass & Cheese and Wine for parish volunteers	St. Mary’s church then hall	7pm
Tue 9/12	School Nativity play	St. Mary’s church	7pm