

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2025

“WELCOME ONE ANOTHER AS CHRIST HAS WELCOMED YOU, FOR THE GLORY OF GOD” (Romans 15:7)

**SAINT MARY, STAR OF THE SEA**  
28 GREENOCK ROAD, LARGGS, KA30 8NE  
&  
**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR**  
COLLEGE STREET, MILLPORT, KA28 0BG  
Registered Charity No. is SC010576

**Sung Psalm Response:** In his days shall justice flourish, and great peace for ever.

**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 A COMMEMORATION	WEEKDAY, Year II READINGS & MASS INTENTION
7/12: <b>Second Sunday of Advent – purple</b>	Deceased Legionaries (Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) Michael Conway, A (12.15pm)
8/12: <b>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – white</b>	Proper Vic Le-Grex, A
9/12: <b>Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin – white</b>	Advent Week 2, Tue Peter & Cathy Flynn, A
10/12: <b>Feria of Advent</b>	Advent Week 2, Wed Catherine Cannon, A
11/12: <b>Feria of Advent Mass in Millport</b>	Advent Week 2, Thu Edward Orr, A
12/12: <b>Our Lady of Guadalupe – blue</b>	Advent Week 2, Fri Eddie McKnight, A
13/12: <b>Santa Lucia</b>	---
14/12: <b>Gaudete Sunday – rose</b>	Sister Margaret, CNS (Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) Theresa Conway, A (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	9-9.55am (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

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** Although not a holyday of obligation it's another kind of obligation, one of devotion and of love for our Mother, that we try to come along to Mass in Her honour this Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> December.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** Bishop Dougan has announced that the normal practice for the celebration of Confirmation will no longer be before the reception of First Holy Communion (P4). It will be celebrated at a later age. He has yet to decide what that age will be and will enter a process of consultation and discernment over the coming months. He will also publish a fuller explanation of his decision in the coming weeks.

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays) & Fri.  
8am Mass on Wednesdays.

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

**Millport:** Sunday, 12.15pm; 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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  
– Andrew Gallagher on 07789 229842.

**Crosshouse Hospital chaplain:** Fr. Stephen McGrattan at  
[crosshousehospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk](mailto:crosshousehospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk) or 01563 521832;

**Ayr Hospital chaplain:** Fr. Benjamin Mkeri at  
[ayrhospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk](mailto:ayrhospital@gallowaydiocese.org.uk) or 01655 882145.

**Recently Deceased:** Tina McGowan, Luisa Fulgoni, Norah Holmes.  
**Anniversary of Death:** Jack Cullis, Ronald Mitchell, Patricia Burns, Agnes Devine, Leonello Castelveccchi. **Sick:** John Leith, Linda Reynolds, Jimmy Sturman, Agatha McAllister, Betty McLean, Michael McSorley, Sandi Bray, Margaret Kett, 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.

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BAPTISM, SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER AT 12 Noon: Holy Baptism will be conferred on **Feziechi David Ogbonna**, son of Chionso Hillary Ogbonna and Ojiugo Benita Ogbonna, next Saturday. Let’s welcome Feziechi, at least with our prayers, into the Mystical Body of Christ! Heartfelt congratulations to the child and his parents.

LITURGY THIS WEEK: We experience a lovely “Marian sandwich” this week. Our weekday Masses begin with the uplifting celebration of the Immaculate Conception (Mon) and end with the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Fri). In between, we commemorate the young man who had the vision of Our Lady of Guadalupe, San Juan Diego (Tue), and famously opened his tilma (cloak) before the rather sceptical local bishop and let fall a flurry of Castilian roses (unheard of in Mexico City) before his feet and with the imprint of the Virgin on the inside of his tilma. On Wednesday and Thursday, we have the grace of two quiet Advent days to wait, hope and pray.

ADORATION (Millport): 4-5pm on Sundays 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> December.

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, Laurie, Calum and Moira.

ST. MARY’S PRIMARY SCHOOL NATIVITY PLAY: Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the church. All welcome! For safeguarding reasons, the play will not be livestreamed this year.

MINUTES OF PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ON 27.11.25 (St. Mary’s): The Minutes are on the parish website. A limited number of hard copies for those who don’t have access to the internet is available at the back of the church.

JUBILEE YEAR SIGNS OF HOPE: The 10<sup>th</sup> and last leaflet concerning the Signs of Hope which the late Pope Francis identified in his Bull of Indiction of the Jubilee Year of 2025 (“*Spes Non Confundit*”, “Hope does not disappoint”) is available at the back of both parish churches. The last theme is Christian Unity. The leaflet contains the words of Pope Francis from the Bull, a short reflection, some quotations from Scripture on Church unity, brief references to five saints who worked for Christian unity, a quotation from Pope St. John Paul II’s landmark Encyclical on Christian Unity (“*Ut Unum Sint*”, “That they may be one”) and a concluding prayer.

ADVENT - SYCAMORE COURSE: Our ADVENT course continues this Wednesday, Dec. 10th, 7pm to 8.30pm in the Church Hall and will conclude next Wednesday evening, 17th. Additional information regarding the content of the course is available in the church porch. It’s an open invitation and all are welcome. Just turn up on the day or add your name to the list in the Porch. For any further information contact Gordon McMillan Tel. 07977-403462 [gordonmcmillan7@gmail.com](mailto:gordonmcmillan7@gmail.com)

BISHOPS OF SCOTLAND OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS AND EVANGELISATION: Our Bishops have recently launched this new office to support our common efforts in proclaiming the Gospel and witnessing to the life of the Church in our nation. Personally, I find this to be one of the most encouraging initiatives to date coming from the Bishops’ Conference. The Office will:

- Manage and distribute statements for the Bishops’ Conference
- Share the Good News of the Gospel confidently and clearly
- Highlight the positive impact of Catholic life across Scotland
- Strengthen communication and collaboration across dioceses, parishes,

schools, religious communities and lay apostolates

- Engage constructively with secular media and public discourse
- Support and develop digital evangelisation initiatives at a national level

As part of this mission, **Being Catholic TV** will now serve as the official digital platform of the Bishops’ Conference of Scotland. It will provide video content, livestreamed events, features from around the country, and faith formation resources to assist our parish communities in their work of evangelisation and outreach. To access these resources, visit [beingcatholic.org](http://beingcatholic.org) or sign-up to the BCTV social channels.

We are invited to share our parish good news stories by sending them to [media@bcos.org.uk](mailto:media@bcos.org.uk) We are also invited to consider how digital media can further our own local evangelisation efforts. Parishioners are encouraged to engage with **Being Catholic TV** and the resources it provides.

“CATHOLIC FAMILIES FOR LIFE” NEWSLETTER from the National Commission for Marriage, Family and Life - latest version can be found at [www.marriagefamilyandlife.org.uk](http://www.marriagefamilyandlife.org.uk)

THE PARABLES OF JESUS (YOUNG ADULTS (S5-30) EVENING): Join young adults (S5-30) from across the Diocese in St Joseph’s, Kilmarnock, on Sunday 7th December for their monthly Young Adults Evening. For their next evening, they’ll be joined by Fr Mark Kelly as he speaks on ‘The Parables of Jesus: Understanding Christ’s teaching in the Gospels’. The evening begins with Mass at 5.45 pm, with the talk beginning at 6.30 pm.

SANTIAGO: HEAR THEIR STORY (EVENT FOR ALL): Join the Young Adults who walked the Camino de Santiago in October for an evening of presentations, reflection, and discussion on Friday 12th December in St Joseph’s Hall, Kilmarnock, as they share their experiences of walking the Camino. The evening begins at 7.00 pm and is free of charge. The bar will be open for drinks. All are welcome to come and share in their fantastic story.

YOUNG ADULTS ONLINE SESSIONS: Can’t make it to our Diocesan Young Adults evenings in person? Aged S5-30? You can now join their monthly evenings online via Microsoft Teams to hear the talk and to take part in the discussion. Interested? Register your interest on the Diocesan Youth Office’s website: <https://youth.rcdg.org.uk/online-participation/> and ahead of each evening you’ll be emailed a link to enable you to participate online.

NEW BOILER INSTALLATION PARISH HALL (St. Mary’s): Due to soaring and repetitive repair costs, the decision was taken to instal a new boiler in the hall. The cost is £5,801.55, inc. VAT, which represents a considerable dent in our parish hall funds. The work will be done on Monday-Tuesday, 8-9 December. Hall users, please be advised.

### SOME PARISH DIARY DATES

Date	Event	Where	When
Tue 9/12	School Nativity play	St. Mary’s church	7pm
Thu 18/12	Advent Penance Service	St. Mary’s Church	2pm
Wed 24/12	Christmas Vigil Mass	Our Lady’s, Millport	5pm
Wed 24/12	Midnight Mass	St. M’s church	8pm
Thu 25/12	Christmas Day Mass	St. M’s church	10am