

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS, 1st NOVEMBER 2026

“WHEN HE APPEARS WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM, BECAUSE WE SHALL SEE HIM AS HE IS” (1 John 3: 2)

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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.

Holidays of Obligation, 12.15pm only.

N.B. There may be occasional variations in Mass times, so please check the weekly bulletin to be sure.

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, Largs).

Eucharistic Adoration (Millport): Sundays after Mass 1:30-2:30;

Mondays 3-4 pm; Wednesdays 5-6pm; Thursdays 3-4pm.

Legion of Mary (Largs): Wed. 10.30am, sacristy meeting room.

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: 07301 021 644.

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@rcdg.org.uk or 01563 521832;

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

Recently Deceased: Ron Bisset, Fr. Brian Logue, Eleanor McGoff, Robert McColl, Mary Reynolds. **Anniversary of Death:** Jack Cullis, Jane Dell, Ann Lundy. **Sick:** Sandra Maclean, John McKenna, Leah Todd, May Fulton, James & Margaret Sherriff, the Dillon Family, Anne Comiskey, Linda Reynolds, Jimmy Sturman, Betty McLean, Michael McSorley, Sandi Bray, Margaret Kett, Alison Foran, Tom Maguire, Angela Fraser, Dale Cooper, Iain McBride, Caterina King, John Nicol, Frank Murray, Brian Murphy, Margaret Gallagher, Helen McShane, Colette McCafferty, Jessie Clements, Eithne Brown, Mary Lyden, Ylena Green, Hugh Millar, Anton McCann, Rena Lee, Jim Lee, Brian Gilligan, Barry Smith, Margaret Fitzpatrick, William McGrath, Linda Scott,

Psalm Response: Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.

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
1/11: Solemnity of All Saints – white	Jane Dell, A (6pm Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) November Lists (12.15pm)
2/11: All Souls – black	Proper November Lists
3/11: St. Martin de Porres, Religious (d. 1639) – white	Ordinary Week 31, Tue November Lists
4/11: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop (d. 1584) – white	Ordinary Week 31, Wed November Lists
5/11: Requiem Mass of Ronald Bisset, RIP – purple	Proper Ronald Bisset, RD
6/11: Votive Mass of the Holy Cross – red FIRST FRIDAY: Sacrament of the Sick during Mass.	Ordinary Week 31, Fri November Lists
7/11: Feria	---
8/11: Thirty-Second Ordinary Sunday – green	November Lists (6pm Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) November Lists (12.15pm)

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

NOTICES

MR. RONALD BISSET, RIP (St. Mary's): We continue to pray for Ron and his family at this very sad time. The Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 5th November at 10am in St. Mary's Church, and thereafter to the Brisbane Glen Cemetery.

MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE: 12 Noon, St. Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr. All welcome.

NOVEMBER LISTS: November Lists are a Catholic tradition where the names of deceased family members and friends are submitted to a parish so that daily Masses can be offered for them throughout the month of November, which the Church dedicates to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Lists and envelopes can now be found at the back of the church. Place your list with any donation for the priest into the envelope and pop the envelope into the box provided.

FIRST MONDAY CONFESSIONS & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Monday 2nd, November from 7-8pm.

FIRST FRIDAYS & SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please note that, from now on, I will administer the Sacrament of the Sick during morning Mass on First Fridays (2nd November being the next one), unless there is a funeral. Sickness takes many forms and is not always visible. It is not a sacrament to be taken without proper preparation and consideration. Am I truly ill in mind or in body? Has my condition deteriorated in recent days or weeks to the point of danger to my life? Am I ready to go to the Sacrament of Confession for true spiritual healing? Only baptized Catholics can receive the Sacrament of the Sick. According to the law of the Church: "The anointing of the sick is not to be conferred upon those who persevere obstinately in manifest grave sin" (canon 1007).

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VISITS TO THE SICK: While I am truly grateful for all of the hard and invaluable work of the Legion of Mary, St. Vincent de Paul Society and of our Eucharistic Ministers (who serve both in the church and in bringing Communion to the housebound), I want to advise that any sick or housebound parishioner who would like a visit from me need only make that known to me, directly or indirectly. It is always a privilege and a joy to see you!

LITURGY THIS WEEK: The month of November carries the background affection, memory and prayer for those of our loved ones who have died and are being purified by Love before entrance into the Kingdom. As the old hymn put it, "they are waiting for our petitions, silent and calm." The Mass is the best way to assist them because it takes our love for them and invests it with the Love of Jesus Himself on the Cross. Like Jesus, those in purgatory will hope with certainty to be able to say, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit" as they cross the threshold of the Kingdom. There, they will be met by saints such as St. Martin de Porres (Tuesday) and St. Charles Borromeo (Wednesday) and the whole company of heaven. What a moment! What a destiny! Let's pray for this for Ron Bisset as we perform his burial rites on Thursday. For ourselves, let's embrace the Cross of Jesus (Friday) in whom alone is our holiness and glory and the power of our own purification.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (St. Mary's): Thursday 5th November, from 7-8pm in the parish hall.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: Next meeting this coming Tuesday, 3rd November, from 7-8pm in St. Mary's Parish Hall. **Everyone** is welcome. This week, the reading and discussion are on the "Glorious and Final Things." Here are the headings: *Communion of Saints: Earth, Heaven and Purgatory – A Sad Note about Hell – The Final Age to Come – Our Blessed Mother: The Queen of All Saints!*

ADULT FAITH FORMATION IN OUR DIOCESE: Copies of the first leaflet, which adapts the programme for personal use, are at the back of the church. Please take one home and do what you can to join spiritually with the rest of the Diocese to prepare for the Great Jubilee of 2033 under the Bishop's inspired guidance.

NATIONAL SAFEGUARDING CONFERENCE 2026, SATURDAY 07 NOVEMBER 2026, UNIVERSITY OF STRATHCLYDE: 'Sacred Spaces - Safer Places: a call to action' is the theme of the SCSSA's 2026 National Safeguarding Conference taking place in Glasgow on Saturday 7th November 2026. The respective parish will pay the expenses of those safeguarding coordinators who wish to attend.

SERVICE OF PRAYER FOR PEACE IN OUR WORLD: Sunday, **November 22nd** at 5.00 p.m. in St. Mary Star of the Sea. Organized by the LDCT Justice and Peace Group. Tea in the hall afterwards.

CALLED AND SENT - LEADERSHIP FORMATION FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: The Bishops' Conference are excited to offer **Called and Sent**, formation for Christian leaders. This course will equip people with skills and tools that, while necessary in the Church today, will be even more so in the Church going into the future, where clergy, lay and religious are called to be co-responsible for the 'the being and action of the Church'. (Pope Benedict). We are looking for people who are prayerful, faith-filled and already involved in the life of the Church in their parish, diocese or organisation. The first formation day will take place on 23 January 2027 at the Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Glasgow, followed by four online evening sessions between February and May. For more information, and to apply for Called and Sent, go to: <https://www.iscglasgow.co.uk/called-and-sent>

YOUNG ADULTS (S5-30) EVENING: The next Young Adults evening takes place from 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm in St Joseph's, Kilmarnock on Sunday 1st November. This month, Fr Philip Kitchen will be continuing his series on "The History of the Church". Any young adults welcome to come along and take part. Can't join in person?

Follow online! Register for online participation on the Youth Office website: youth.rcdg.org.uk

ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE: All parishioners are warmly invited to join us on Tuesday 17th November 2026 from 3pm - 5pm. Entry is via Largs Academy. Ticket price is £3 for an adult and £5 for a child (includes a visit to Santa and the bouncy castle). We are also looking for donations which can be handed in to the school on the following dates: Chocolate for the Chocolate Tombola - Friday 6th November 2026; Bottles for the Bottle Stall - Friday 13th November 2026; Raffle Prizes - dropped off at the school office at any time; Home baking - Tuesday 17th November (handed to the school office on the morning of Tuesday 17th). See poster on the school notice board at the back of St. Mary's Church.

YOUNG CARITAS SCOTLAND: SCIAF is launching Young Caritas Scotland, a new movement for young adults who want to put their faith into action, meet likeminded people from the global church, and help build a better world. This movement is about making a real difference – about solidarity and community. A space to connect with young people across in Scotland and across the world and turn frustration into something hopeful. More information and details of how to join our movement can be found at www.sciaf.org.uk/youngcaritas

CHANA (Churches Homeless Action North Ayrshire) is teaming up again with the Night Before Christmas Charity (NB4CC) to provide a Christmas present for those who are homeless & being supported by North Ayrshire Council. Last Christmas, Liz Brown of North Ayrshire Council's Homeless Unit wrote "Through your year-round help and generous donation to The Night Before Christmas we are able to make life easier and bring a little bit of joy to the lives of those who need it most in our communities." If you can help, please put a cash donation in an envelope marked NB4C & put it in the usual collection bag or donate online at nbcc.scot

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date & Time	Occasion	Location
31/10, 6pm	All Saints	Church
1/11, 10am		
2/11, 10am	All Souls	Church
2/11, 7-8pm	First Monday confessions & adoration	Church
6/11, 10am	First Friday Anointing	Church
8/11	Remembrance Sunday	
9/11, 9.10am	Mass, all Deceased of St. Mary's Primary	School
14/11, 6pm	Rite of Anointing of the RCIA Candidates	Church
15/11, 10am		
17/11, 3-5pm	Christmas Fayre	School
27/11, 7pm	Thanksgiving Mass for St. Mary's Parish Volunteers; Cheese and Wine	Church then Hall
28/11, 10am	Mass for Parishioners who have died since 1 st December 2025	Church then Hall
3/12, 6.30pm	Agape	Church
4/12, 10am	First Friday Anointing	Church
7/12, 7-8pm	First Monday confessions & adoration	Church
8/12, 7pm	School Nativity Play	Church
17/12, 2pm	Advent Penitential Service	Church
17/12, 7pm	Stella Maris Carol Service Buffet	Church Hall
24/12, 4.30pm	Christmas Carols and Vigil Christmas Mass	Millport
24/12, 7.30pm	Christmas Carols and Midnight Mass	Church
25/12, 10am	Christmas Day Mass	Church