THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY SUNDAY, 8th NOVEMBER 2026

"O GOD, YOU ARE MY GOD; AT DAWN I SEEK YOU; FOR YOU MY SOUL IS THIRSTING" (Psalm 63:2)

Psalm Response: *For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.*

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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: Anne Hughes. **Anniversary of Death:** Ewen Maclean, John Hutchinson, Elizabeth Neison. **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, Jordan McGee, Sheila Ferguson, Michelle Rall Stephenson, Catherine Dawson, Karen Bohme, John Alexander.

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	**WEEKDAY, Year II**
COMMEMORATION	**READINGS & MASS INTENTION**
8/11: Thirty-Second Ordinary Sunday – green	November Lists (6pm Vigil) All Parishioners (10am) November Lists (12.15pm)
9/11: Mass in School for all Deceased of School Community. **9.10am**	Proper November Lists
10/11: St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor (d. 461) – white	Ordinary Week 32, Tue November Lists
11/11: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop (d.397) – white	Ordinary Week 32, Wed November Lists
12/11: **NO MASS**	---
13/11: Commemoration of the Dead named on November Lists - black	Ordinary Week 32, Fri November Lists
14/11: Feria	---
15/11: Thirty-Third 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

MASS ON MONDAY MORNING, 9th NOVEMBER: St. Mary's Primary School. The Mass will be offered for all the past staff and pupils of the school who have died. Parishioners may attend the Mass. Please gather outside the main door of Largs Academy between 8.55am and 9.05am. A member of staff will take you to the assembly hall.

THERE WILL BE NO MASS ON THURSDAY MORNING either in St. Mary's or in Our Lady's, Millport, as I must attend a clergy meeting out of town. I will offer Mass at that meeting for those named on our November Lists. Please remember that there is always Mass at 12 Noon in the Benedictine Monastery.

LITURGY THIS WEEK: As well as praying continually for the faithful departed with special Masses on Monday and Friday, the liturgical calendar this week provides us with two notable saints from the 4th-5th centuries: St. Leo the Great (Tuesday), who was a giant and lion of a man as pastor and defender of the unity of the Church (he even persuaded Attila the Hun not to march on Rome in 452!); and St. Martin of Tours (Wednesday), who was a soldier, hermit, abbot, priest and exemplary bishop. It is good to get to know these men and women whom God has put before us as examples of holiness. Their intercession is of great avail to us on our pilgrim way.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: Next meeting this coming Tuesday, 10th November, from 7-8pm in St. Mary's Parish Hall. **Everyone** is welcome. This week, we begin volume 2 in the our reading program whose title is "My Catholic Worship." The first chapter we will discuss on Tuesday is "The Greatest Act on Earth." Here are the sub-headings: *The Great Mysterium Fidei – Liturgy 101 – Is the Liturgy Boring? – Who Celebrates the Liturgy? – How the Liturgy is Celebrated – When Do We Celebrate? – Where Do We Celebrate? – Diversity vs. Unity.*

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ANOINTING OF RCIA CANDIDATES: Since our candidates have now completed volume 1 of their program, entitled "My Catholic Faith", I will anoint them at Masses next weekend, 14th & 15th November, as a way of signifying and promoting their growth in spiritual strength in the Holy Spirit. They are not being anointed with the oil of the sick! Rather, it is a way of bringing them and their courageous efforts to the attention of the parish community so that we can continue to support them with our prayers, our presence and our friendship. Please make a point of encouraging and welcoming them personally!

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. I will produce the second leaflet for Sunday 29th November, the First of Advent.

THE ANNUAL EDUCATION MASS will be celebrated by Bishop Frank, in Saint John's, Stevenston on Wednesday, 25th November at 6pm.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC TEACHER: Online Information Event. Date: 25th November 2026. Time:17.00-18.00. The St Andrew's Foundation for Catholic Teacher Education will be hosting an online information session for anyone interested in applying for Catholic teaching and attaining the Catholic Teacher Certificate. The session will cover the vocation of teaching, becoming a Catholic teacher through our Undergraduate (MEduc) and Postgraduate (PGDE) programmes and the ways to obtain the Catholic Teacher Certificate for practising teachers. Eligibility and submission of a priest's reference will also be covered. For further information please email: catholic-education@glasgow.ac.uk

DIPLOMA IN CATECHETICS: This is being offered by the Archdiocese of Edinburgh. "Catechetics" help you renew or initiate your understanding of the Catholic faith and, through Jesus Christ, share more deeply in the life of God. More details: https://archedinburgh.org/event/diploma-in-catechetics-2026/

GALLOWAY LOURDES HOSPITALITÉ AND YOUTH FOR LOURDES are holding a joint Sign-Up Session on Sunday 22nd November at 3pm in St Quivox Hall, Prestwick, KA9 1LU. Please join them to find out more about the fulfilling experience that volunteering in Lourdes is. They are looking for helpers in all capacities - medical team, general helpers and young people from 4th year to 23 years for the Youth for Lourdes team. Whether it is your 1st or 21st pilgrimage, a warm welcome awaits!

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.

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.

ST MATTHEW'S ACADEMY is beginning fundraising for the next visit from their friends in their partner school, St Peter's, Mzuzu. They will hold a quiz night in St Matthew's on Thursday 19th November. Ticket prices are £5 for adults and £3.50 for under 18s. Doors open at 6.30pm. All are welcome. To reserve tickets please contact the school on 01294 606680.

NEXT SUNDAY MARKS THE BEGINNING OF PRISONERS' WEEK SCOTLAND (15–22 NOVEMBER). This year's theme, Show Mercy, invites us to reflect on a virtue at the very heart of our Christian faith: mercy. Prisoners' Week invites us to reflect and pray about what mercy means in practice. The public launch takes place next Sunday, 15 November, at Freedom City Church, Cumbernauld, with charity and support-service stalls from 3pm. All are welcome to attend. Find out more at www.prisonersweek.org.uk

BENEDICTINE MONASTERY CHRISTMAS FAYRE: This annual event will take place on Saturday 28 November in the monastery tearoom from 1.15pm to 4pm. Entrance fee £3, children free. Come along and enjoy a fun afternoon, with Raffle, Tombola, Fancy Goods, Knitwear, Baking, and Jewellery stalls. Donation of Prizes and Bottles would be appreciated. Meeting for Helpers will be held on Monday 23 at 3pm. Please come along and support the Mothers in the Monastery.

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date & Time	*Occasion*	*Location*
8/11	Remembrance Sunday	
9/11, 9.10am	Mass, all Deceased of St. Mary's Primary	School
14/11, 6pm 15/11, 10am	Rite of Anointing of the RCIA Candidates	Church
17/11, 3-5pm	Christmas Fayre	School
22/11, 5pm	Justice & Peace Service	Church
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 1st 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, 6pm	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

SEPTEMBER INCOME

Description	*Largs (Ch)*	*Largs (H)*	*Millport*
Loose Plate	2905.15		718.64
Bank Income	3330.50	15.00	
General Collection Contactless (C)	113.16		108.24
Special Collection – Retired Priests	1159.86		108.11
Special Collection – Retired Priests (C)	63.96		19.68
Special Collection – Church in Need (C)	19.68		
Building Fund			193.32
Building Fund (C)			5.88
Hall Rentals		260.00	
Energy Contr.			120.00
NAC Credit			350.00
SSVP			1.50
Candle Income	215.43		
Stall Income	112.00		
Festival Income	3312.09		