

Parish Priest: Rev. Joseph G Balmer BD
St Thomas' Church
70 Main Street
Neilston
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Mass Times	Saturday Vigil 4pm, Sunday 9 & 11am (Family Mass)
Daily Mass:	10am except Wed 6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation:	Wed 5.25pm – 5.55pm, Sat 10.30am -11am
Exposition:	Wed 5pm – 5.55pm, Thursday 10:30 -11:30am
Rosary	Mon – Sat 9.30, Mon 7.30pm
Baptisms:	By appointment
Marriages:	Minimum of 6 months' notice

Thirty Second Sunday Year C - 7th November 2016

Hall Enquiries:

Please contact Maura Rome: 0141-580-

Children's Liturgy

Church Hall: 11am

Last week's collections

Offertory: £362.22 Weekly. Standing Orders: £355.00

Monthly Building Fund : £227.44

Next Weekend: Sick & Retired Priests Collection.

Annual Mass for deceased parishoner's

The Mass will be celebrated this Tuesday at 7pm. If anyone wants someone who died outside of the Parish in the last year mentioned and a candle lit for them at the Mass please inform Fr Joe.

Parish Mission

Our Parish Mission will begin on Monday 14th until Fri 18th Nov. St Patrick's community will arrive for the Vigil Mass on Saturday 12th Nov and be at the 9am/11am Masses on Sunday to introduce themselves and the week. The community will also visit St Luke's and St Thomas' school. They will be at Mass each day at 10am except Friday when it will be at 7pm. The main mission event will be each evening at 7pm. A programme will be handed out this weekend and I invite you to hand some out to your Catholic neighbours too. It is an opportunity in this Year of Mercy to reach out and evangelise and welcome everyone home to St Thomas.

Parish Mission Prayer

Please uplift a Parish Mission Prayer from the porch to pray for the Mission's success and many blessings and graces upon the Parish during that week

Mary's Meals Rags to Riches Collection

This weekend the rags to riches collection for Mary's Meals will be uplifted. They are looking for clothes, household textiles, shoes and bags. The van will leave after the 11am Mass. Raffle tickets are also available.

Gift Aid (Tax Payers) & Legacies

By signing a Gift Aid declaration your recorded donations to the Parish or the Diocese are increased by 25% at no extra cost to yourself. You can donate by standing order, cheque or by asking your Fr Joe for a box of weekly donation envelopes. Gift Aid forms can be obtained from Fr Joe. Please also consider including your Parish or the Diocese in your will.

Remembrance Sunday 13th Nov

Service at the Cenotaph at 1230pm. All welcome to the hall afterwards for tea/coffee and home baking requested. We have a candle burning at each Mass in November at the window dedicated to those parishoner's who died during World War One.

Synod Implementation Meeting

Bishop John and Monsignor Carlin invite you to our first synod implementation open meeting on Thursday 10th Nov at 7.00pm in the Diocesan Centre. We will begin to take forward the synod resolutions and its visions. Please email curia@rcdop.org.uk to let us know if you are attending, for planning purposes. All welcome.

Christmas Fete

The Christmas Fete will be on Sunday the 4th of December from 12 Noon to 2pm. This date will avoid clashing with other groups in the village. We are looking for people to help and please inform Maura Rome, Sylvia Gilmour or Patricia Kane if you wish to volunteer. We will also be looking for parishoner's to make some home baking and for raffle prizes and items for a Christmas hamper.

AGM & Mass for the Deceased members of the Lourdes Hospitalite:

This takes place on Monday, 21st November in St. Charles' Church with Mass at 7:00pm followed with a meeting and refreshments in the Hall.

Scout Hall- Socials

Ladies Night- Sat 12th Nov.

Live Band and BYOB. 7pm-11pm. Tickets £5

Table Top Craft Sale- Sat 19th Nov.

Adults £2, Children 50p. 1pm-4pm. Tickets from Vicky on 0141 589 6296.

Prayer Requests

There is a new prayer request ministry on our diocesan website please visit <http://rcdop.org.uk/prayingforyou>
We welcome your prayer requests; all requests are placed on the Bishop's altar where he celebrates his daily morning Mass & respectfully disposed of thereafter. Please be assured of complete confidentiality and discretion with your request.

Event for Catholic Healthcare professionals working in Scotland.

Doctors. Angela McCallum and Anne Williams and Gina McFadden, the FCS Training Co-Ordinator, will speak on the scientific and practical application of the Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Family Planning. This will be on Tuesday 15 November 2016, 6.00pm-8.30pm at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital. It should interest doctors, nurses, student doctors and nurses and all other healthcare professionals. Catholic healthcare professionals should regard it as part of their skill to make themselves proficient in this medical knowledge so that when couples ask for their advice they give them right counsel and point them in the proper direction. Married couples have a right to expect this from them. Contraception and IVF are contrary also to Catholic Moral Teaching. (Humanae Vitae, Human life). Encyclical of Pope Paul VI, 25th July 1968.

Diocesan Choir –

If you are a member and have not already done so please contact the office on curia@rcdop.org.uk with your email address. We would like to move forward by emailing all future communications. If you do not have email and wish to still receive correspondence by mail then please call Marianne on 0141 847 6130. Thank you.

The Closing of the Jubilee Year of Mercy 12th Nov

We would like to invite you to join in a 9 day novena, to Jesus the Divine Mercy, beginning this Friday 4th November. For each of the nine days, our Lord gave Saint Faustina a different intention: All mankind, especially sinners; the souls of priests and religious; all devout and faithful souls; those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus; the souls who have separated themselves from the Church; the meek and humble souls and the souls of little children; the souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy; the souls detained in purgatory; and souls who have become lukewarm. Let us join together, praying for an abundance of mercy & graces to be poured out in our families and in our church in these last few days of this great Jubilee of Mercy. Please find the full chaplet novena <http://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena>.

Volunteer Christmas Can Collectors.

Would you like to give a few hours to live the true Christmas spirit? RAMH are looking for volunteer can collectors to help with their Braehead Christmas collection on one of the busiest shopping days of the year, Saturday 26th November. They need collectors between 10am-6pm. Santa hats and tinsel are welcome! If you can make it please email karen.milne@ramh.org

SPUC Scotland Annual Conference

This will take place in the Mercure Hotel, 201 Ingram St, Glasgow on Sat 19th Nov from 9.50am-4pm. Registration begins at 9.15am. Tickets £20, £15 for students. Call 0141-221-2094. See poster in porch.

SCIAF Christmas gifts

SCIAF real gifts make great presents for family/friends, while helping people in poverty to build a brighter future. There are meaningful gifts that give people living in poverty the help they need to build a better life. Visit

www.sciaf.org.uk/realgifts or call 0141 354 5555.

They are also catalogues in the porch to view and select. **If you have taken them home please**

return as soon as possible

Christmas Cards

If you want Christmas Cards could you please order them by completing the sheet at the stall.

200th Anniversary of St Andrew's Cathedral

Mass will be celebrated on the 30th of November, the Solemnity of St Andrew, Patron of Scotland at 1pm in St Andrew's Cathedral, Glasgow.

Please Remember in your prayers those who are Sick

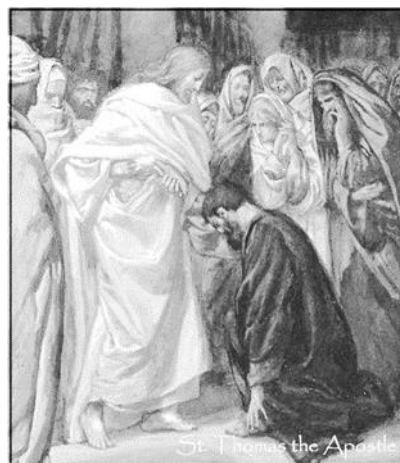
Ronald Burns, Mary Byrne, Peter Cairney, John Cannon, Anne Cox, Jean Docherty, Ree Dunn, Joyce Van Gorder, Bob Fairlie, Ellen Hendry, Daniel Hughes, Rena Jardine, Rebecca Keay, Margaret Shea, Andrew Madsen, Maureen Muldoon, Elizabeth McCusker, Yonne Mc Lachlan, Peter McKenna, Agnes O'Donnell, Irene Rome, Sonia Galligo Romero, Elizabeth Turnbull, Laurie Thompson, Esther West, Janet and Jim Smith.

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Louise Bestow, Patricia Woods. **Anniversaries that occur around now:** Catherine Kelly, Peggy Martin, Joseph Sbragia.

Prayer to St Thomas

Almighty and ever living God, who strengthened your Apostle Thomas with sure and certain faith in your son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ our Lord and our God that our faith may never be found wanting in your sight through him who lives and reigns with you in the Holy Spirit one God for ever and ever. Amen



My Lord and My God