

SAINT BRIDE'S PARISH, EAST KILBRIDE

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Ordinary Season - 5th October 2025

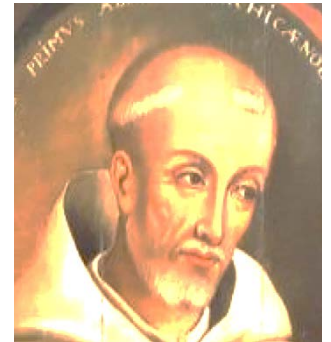
HONOURING OUR LADY IN OCTOBER...MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October means 'eighth month' in Latin: in the old Roman calendar the year began in Spring not in Winter. October for Roman Catholics is the month of the Holy Rosary, a time when we honour the Mother of God...What does the wisdom of the Saints say about Our Lady?



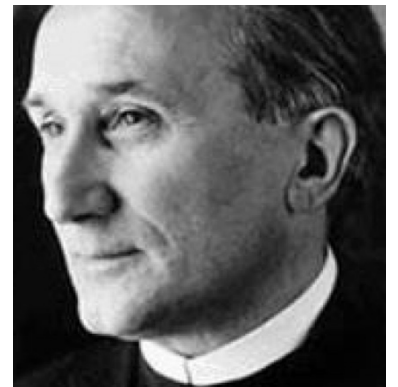
The Rosary...the prayer loved by countless saints...simple, yet profound...with the Rosary the Christian people sits at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty of the face of Christ. Through the Rosary, the faithful receive abundant graces, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer. **Pope Saint John Paul II (+2005)**

If the storms of temptation arise, if you crash against the rock of tribulations: look to the Star, and call upon Mary. If you are tossed about on the waves of pride, of ambition, of slander, of hostility: look to the Star and call upon Mary...If you begin to be swallowed up by the abyss of depression and despair, think of Mary! In dangers, in anxiety, in doubt, think of Mary, call upon Mary...When you are terrified by judgement or in despair, think of Mary, for she holds you, you will not fail; if she protects you, you need not fear. **Saint Bernard of Clairvaux (+1153)**



I know that at Nazareth, O holy Mary, you lived very humbly. Neither ecstasies nor miracles, not other extraordinary deeds enhanced your life, O Queen of the Elect. The number of the lowly, the little ones, is very great on earth. They can raise their eyes to you without fear. You are the incomparable Mother who walks with them along the common way, to guide them to heaven. **Saint Thérèse of Lisieux (+1897)**

But she who must have known the truth was Mary. She had given him his human life; his breath, his growth; his every movement had taken place before her eyes and heart for thirty years. She had stood beneath the cross and she had seen him die; so she knew that his life was of a special kind. When the women and Peter and John spoke of the empty tomb and words of the angel, she already knew he was risen. She had seen him. And she whose heart had been placed in the tomb with the body of her Son, rose with him in the light of his divine mercy. **Father Romano Guardini, writer and theologian (+1968)**



How happy my soul was, good Mother, when I had the good fortune to gaze upon you! How I love to recall the pleasant moments spent under your gaze, so full of kindness and mercy for us. Yes, tender Mother, you stooped down to earth to appear to a mere child...You, the Queen of heaven and earth, deigned to make use of the most fragile thing in the world's eyes. **Saint Bernadette of Lourdes (+1879)**
Father McGachey

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



On Monday evening at 7pm we will have the first of our **October Devotions** in honour of Our Lady for the month of the Rosary. The service will include: a Torchlight Procession, the recitation of the Rosary, the Litany of Loreto, the prayer to Saint Joseph for the Universal Church and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, accompanied with the organ and the use of incense. Please join us as we honour the Mother of God during this special month. On the Mondays of October, we will not recite the Rosary before 10am Mass, since it will be said in the evening, but have a quiet time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for personal prayer instead.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

Father Martin leads a group of around thirty-five parishioners on pilgrimage to Rome beginning tomorrow. We wish them a safe journey and ask for their prayers at the holy places of the Eternal City. The group comes back on Friday. Father Martin leaves on the same day to represent Bishop Toal in the Holy Land on a pilgrimage with Knights of the Holy Sepulchre. He returns on the 18th October.

CALENDAR

Tuesday is the memorial of **Our Lady of the Rosary**, kept on the date of the Battle of Lepanto (1571) in which the Christian fleet defeated the Turkish fleet and halted its expansion into Europe. The victory was attributed to the recitation of the Rosary. **Thursday** is the memorial of **Saint Denis and Companions** (+258). Denis was Bishop of Paris, and suffered martyrdom there, together with priest Rusticus and deacon Eleutherius. It is also the memorial of **Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman** (+1890). **Saturday** is the memorial of **Pope Saint John XXIII** (+1963). Elected in 1958, and best known for convening the Second Vatican Council. He was beatified by Pope Saint John Paul II in 2000. His feast is assigned to the day on which the Second Vatican Council opened in 1962.

DIARY DATES

- **Sunday 12th October** – Retiring Collection to support the work of Catholic Education.
- **Thursday 23rd October** – Mass for the Sick, with the Anointing of the Sacrament of the Sick, Holy Mass at 10am. Followed by a light breakfast in the Parish Centre.
- **Sunday 2nd November** – Solemnity of All Saints (transferred from Saturday 1st November).
- **Monday 3rd November** – Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day) – (transferred from the Sunday 2nd November).
- **Sunday 16th November** – Deanery Mission Appeal by the Saint Peter's Missionary Society and Special Collection at all the weekend Masses.
- **Sunday 30th November** – The First Sunday of Advent, beginning of new Liturgical year.

200 CLUB WINNERS

This week's winner is Frances McCole. The quarterly winner is Marie McLaughlin. Please collect your cheques from the sacristy.

THE NEW OCTOBER EDITION OF "MY DAY BY DAY" IS AVAILABLE AT THE STALL - £1.00

TRAINING FOR NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Could the parishioners that I approached recently about helping us as new Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, please come to a thirty-minute meeting on Tuesday, 7th October, at 7pm, in the Church. If you are unable to attend, please let me know, and we will arrange an alternative time.

FROM THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY VOLUNTEERS

This is the final week of Sacramental Preparation for Confirmation for P7 students starting at 9:15am in the Parish Hall. Thank you to the students who have attended. Our normal Liturgy is at 9:30 for other children. There will be no Liturgy on Sunday 12th or Sunday 19th because of the school October break, returning on Sunday 26th October.

THIS WEEK'S THURSDAY COFFEE MORNING

There will be no Coffee Morning on Thursday the 9th October. The Coffee Morning will resume on Thursday 16th October.

PARISH CLUB 200

Thank you for your continued support of the Parish through the 200 Club. It is much appreciated! For those who pay the Club 200 subscriptions by cheque or cash, the subscriptions are due on the 1st October 2025. If you pay annually, the amount is £60 for twelve months and £30 for those who pay for a six-month period. Envelopes with cash or cheques, can be handed into the sacristy. Please mark 'Club 200' and your name on the envelope. Thank you.

FOODBANK UPDATE

Last week's Retiring Collection realised £1870 and around 400 items. Sincere thanks for your help. Next Collection on 1st and 2nd November.

TRIBUTE NIGHT

There will be a Kenny Rodgers and Neil Diamond Tribute Night, featuring Pat Cairns, in the Parish Hall, on Saturday 11th October. For tickets, priced £15, contact Pat on 07989392287.

PRO-LIFE TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

The Annual Pro-Life Torchlight Procession will take place on Thursday 30th October 2025. As George Square is out of commission, Pro Life Groups will gather in John Street (at the middle of the City Chambers) from 6pm onwards. The Torchlight Procession will leave at 6.30pm, with; for this year only; the Rosary taking place at St Andrew's Cathedral at 7pm followed by Mass at 7.30pm. Any queries, please phone 01236 763827.

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PARISH SCHEDULE

HOLY MASS – Sundays: Vigil 4.30pm, 9.30am with Children's Liturgy and 11.30am **CONFESSIONS** – Saturday after 10am Mass; 4pm-4.20pm and after the Vigil Mass **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** – Monday-Friday at 9.15am

HOLY ROSARY – Monday-Saturday at 9.30am

HOLY MASS – Monday to Saturday 10am

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL – on Tuesdays after Mass

NOVENA TO SAINT MONICA – on Thursdays after Mass

THE CHURCH IS OPEN – Monday-Sunday 9am-6pm

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK - Monica McShane, Mary Easton, Mary Connor (Canada), Margaret Rose McMahon, Richard O'Donnell, Owen O'Donnell, Jean Lafferty, Frank Kirk, Mary O'Brien, Margaret Murphy, Brian Ewing, Alan MacDonald, Jan Milligan, Catherine McLean, Nessie McFadyen, Noreen Lockhart, Margaret Hannigan, Patricia Carey, Anne McDowell, Paul McCartney, Kevin McCann, Gayle Cochrean, Merisa Todd, James McLean, Elizabeth Kyle, Thomas Quinn, Chris McElroy, Danny McCash, Theresa Tierney, Paul Ellis, Colette Roxburgh, John Paul Quinn, John Saroli, Lizann O'Hare, Susan and Robin Topping, Arthur Connor (Canada), Thomas Finnigan (Prestwick).

RECENTLY DEAD – Isabella Doig, Granny Given Braithwaite (Barbados), Gary Jones, Nicole Black, Alice Price, Tommy Crawford, Terry Keegan (Dorset), Margaret Reilly.

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTHS MINDS AND BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES - Margaret Martin, Damian Martin, Tomkins Family, James McGuigan, Elizabeth (Betty) Smith, John Love, Peter and Norah Rankin.

DEATHS

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sunday 28th September - £2735. and Standing Orders in favour of one-off donation to the Parish or of the Parish. Offerings can be of which are as follows: St Brides by scanning the adjacent QR web page. If you pay Income Tax, parish will receive a further 25 percent on the basis of the donation you give.



This included the Basket Collection the Parish. You may wish to make a take out a Standing Order in favour made by Bank Transfer, the details Parish 10246966 and 80-12-97 or code. It will take you to a secure you can Giftaid your offering - the