



ST. PETER'S AND ST. FERGUS' PRISHES

Bulletin

SUNDAY 25 OCT: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time,
(Ex 22:21-27, 1Thes 1:5-10, Mt 22:34-40)



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Sunday Mass: St. Peter's 4.00pm (Sat) & 10.00 am, St. Fergus' 5.30pm (Sat) & 11.30 am

Weekday Mass: St Peter's – Tue, Thu, & Fri 10.00am; St Fergus – Mon, & Wed 9.30am

Confessions: St Peter's 3.15-3.50pm (Sat), St Fergus' 5.00 -5.25pm (Sat); and on request

PRAYER REQUESTS: We pray for all who are sick, for all who have recently died, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Jimmy Murphy and Pat McCarthy.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Children's liturgy resumes after October break from this Sunday 25th. It is a humble request to parents/guardians: please send your children to this important faith formation programme.

ST PETER'S PARISH CURRY NIGHT: Join us for a delicious Curry Night in the Parish Hall, as we come together for a wonderful evening of good food, friendship and community spirit.

Date: Friday 30 October

Time: 7pm...

Venue: St Peter's Parish Hall.

Ticket: £13.00 per person.

Food includes a three- course meal and a glass of wine/beer. After that it will be BYOB.

Tickets and Flyers, available at the back of the Church.

All proceeds will go towards parish fundraising.

Bring your family and friends and come along for a great evening.

We look forward to seeing you there!
Come hungry, leave happy—and help support our parish!

NOVEMBER LIST: The Church dedicates the month of November to praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. There is an important pious custom of giving a list of names of deceased loved ones to the Church. Masses will be celebrated each day in this month for their

happy repose especially those whose names appear on our lists in both parishes. Envelopes are now available for collection at the back of the church. Please return your completed lists with any offerings enclosed in the collection baskets, or return them to the chapel house.

THANKS TO KEVIN MANSON: On behalf of the parish community of St. Peter's, I would like to express our sincere thanks to Kevin for doing an amazing job bringing the rusty railings at the front and side of the church back to life and making them look brand new again. We really appreciate his hard work.

MASS IN ST FERGUS SCHOOL: Mass will be celebrated in St Fergus School on Friday 30th Oct at 9.30am.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS (4-18 Oct): St Peter's – Offertory: £1409.00, B. Fund: £953.00, Mission Sunday: £240.00, Ladies' Day Fundraising: £760.00. St Fergus: Offertory: 705.00. Mission Sunday: £120.00. B. Fund: £102.00.

TEA & COFFEE All are most welcome to join for tea and coffee after the morning mass.

SAINT CONVAL'S CEMETERY MASS: All are welcome to join Bishop Keenan for the annual November Holy Mass at Saint Conval's Cemetery, for the happy eternal rest of the souls of those buried there. Holy Mass will begin in the cemetery at 2pm on Sunday 8th November.

OCTOBER: MONTH OF ROSARY: In the month of October, *dedicated to the holy rosary*, we ponder with Mary the mysteries of our salvation, and we ask the Lord to help us to be proclaimers of the Gospel by his word and by his life. Let us commit ourselves to saying the rosary with faith for peace in our families, and in the whole world.

SAFEGUARDING THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH - OCTOBER: Survivors and their families deserve our special care. The next safeguarding training is on Saturday 31st Oct at 10.30am at Diocesan Centre, Paisley.

INVITATION FROM SAINT MARY'S, PAISLEY: As part of the celebrations marking the 150th anniversary of Saint Mary's, we will celebrate a special Mass on Sunday 25th October at 10am for everyone who has received a Sacrament in our church—including Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Marriage and Holy Orders. Whether the Sacrament was celebrated recently or many years ago, we warmly invite you and your family to return and give thanks for the part Saint Mary's has played in your journey of faith. A particularly warm invitation is extended to anyone who has not been to church for a while. Please know that you will be very welcome—there is always a place for you at Saint Mary's. Please spread the word and invite family members, friends and former parishioners to join us for this joyful anniversary celebration.

ST CARLO ACUTIS:

Carlo Acutis, the first millennial saint, was canonised at the Vatican, inspiring the Church and especially young people. Born in London on 3 May 1991, he showed a deep love for Jesus, the Virgin Mary and the saints from an early age. Although his parents were initially nominal Catholics, Carlo's faith and holiness inspired them to rediscover their own faith. The Acutis family returned to Milan in September 1991.

Carlo attended Mass daily, loved Eucharistic adoration and showed great compassion for the poor and sick, despite coming from a wealthy family. Gifted in computer technology, he used the internet to evangelise young people, particularly through his exhibition on Eucharistic miracles. His life and example have inspired

many young people to deepen their faith, return to the Church and develop a greater devotion to the Eucharist.

Carlo Acutis reminds us that holiness is possible at any age and that faith, love for the Eucharist, charity towards the poor and the creative use of modern technology can bring others closer to God.

Carlo died of leukaemia at the age of 15, but his life and canonisation inspired many Christians. Although he lived in a digital world, he used technology and social media to spread his faith in Jesus and devotion to the Eucharist. His example teaches young people that technology is not only for learning and entertainment but can also be used to share the Gospel and build God's Kingdom. Today, many Christians use social media to learn and share their faith. His feast day is on 12 October.

Carlo's Way to Sanctity:

1. Frequent reception of the Eucharist: Eucharist is my highway to Heaven. Try to go to Mass every day and receive Holy Communion.

2. Eucharistic Adoration: If we go out in the sun, we get a suntan...but when we get in front of Jesus in the Eucharist, we become saints. By standing before the Eucharist we become holy. We can find God, with His Body, Soul and His Divinity, present in all the tabernacles of the world! If we think about it, we are more fortunate than those who lived two thousand years ago in contact with Jesus, because we have God 'really and substantially' present with us always. It's enough to visit the closest church! We have Jerusalem on our doorsteps. Jerusalem is in every Church!

3. Spiritual guide and regular confession: Why do people worry so much about the beauty of their own body and not about the beauty of their soul?

4. Devotion to Our Blessed Mother and the Saints: The rosary is the shortest ladder to heaven.

5. Charity: A life will be really beautiful if we come to love God above all things and our neighbour as ourselves.

These above five ways to sanctity shown and practised by Carlo can inspire our young people in our parishes. We pray that our young parents, by following the example of Carlo, will initiate ways to impart faith in their children in order to make them holy and work for God's kingdom.