



Vigil Mass 4.30pm

Vigil Mass 6pm

Sunday 10.30am (also streamed)

Sunday 11.30am

Sunday 10am

Monday-Saturday 10am

Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am

Monday & Wednesday 6.30pm

Saturday 9am

Friday 9.30am

Sunday 14th August—Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers — Terry Turnbull, Rita Devlin, Rose Turpin, James Smith, Jane Carroll and Linda Balmer who have died recently and Emilio Pacione, Ruby Clark, George and William Hutcheon and Anne Gordon whose anniversaries occur at this time. We also remember all those mentioned in our books of remembrance. We also pray for the parents of Olivia Nicola McCaffrey on the death of their baby.

Prayers for the sick: Please continue to remember the sick and the terminally ill in your prayers, especially those mentioned on our sick lists. Lists for prayers for deaths and anniversaries and for the sick are available at the back of the church.

Masses on Monday 15th in St Leonard & St Fergus: There will be an additional Mass with the staffs of St Andrew's and St Fergus' primary schools in St Leonard & St Fergus on Monday at 8.30am. There will be the evening Mass as usual.

Mass on Friday 19th in St Leonard & St Fergus: Mass will be at the later time of 9.30am to accommodate some of the school children.

Funerals: Tuesday 16th, St Mary's 10am—James Smith; Wednesday 17th, St Columba's, 10am—Jane Carroll.

Thanks: I have been overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity that you have shown me in the gifts, cards and good wishes expressed as I leave the parishes. Thank you too to those who organized and prepared the various farewell receptions. All this is, however, only greater in scale to the kindness and generosity shown to me throughout my years here. I have spoken (some would say at length) of the need for our vocations as priests to continue to grow and develop but I believe that this can only happen through the support and encouragement of our communities. That support and encouragement has been abundant from you and from my dear colleagues, Fr Alex and Fr Jean. May the Lord continue to bless us as we move forward on our journey of faith.

Fr Jim Walls: Will begin his appointment as parish priest from tomorrow, Monday 15th August. I am sure that any anxieties he may have had will have been dissipated by the reception he received when he supplied at St Leonard & St Fergus two weeks ago and also by the welcome he received at the Mass in St Mary's on Friday evening and at the function in the hall following the Mass. I know that you will be as generous, supportive and encouraging to Fr Jim as you have been to me over my time as your Parish Priest. He is a lucky man to have you as his parishioners!!

Contact Details: It is never the right thing for a priest moving to another parish to share in a general way his contact details, but as I am moving abroad, I feel that it is permissible to share at least an email address. You can contact me at casidy-mark506@gmail.com

Return of our Schools: This week will see the return to school of the staff and pupils after their well-earned summer break. We ask the Lord's blessing on all who will attend our schools during the coming year.

Weekend Resources: Our supplier (Redemptorist Press) can no longer supply on-line digital versions of the readings for us. There was permission given during COVID for a digital version and this permission has now been rescinded. I am afraid that there seems to be no alternative available at the moment. I am sure that discussions will be held at Pastoral Council level to find a way forward.

Collections: Ordinary: St Mary's £1133 || St Columba's £356 || St Leonard & St Fergus' £908. Thank you for your continuing generosity to the work of the Church and to those in need

St Mary's Restoration Fund 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner, Mary Stott (87). The fund benefitted from a further £380 from the 100 club. Thank you again for all your support.

St Leonard & St Fergus 100 Club (SCIAF): Congratulations to this week's winner, David Penna (72).

Bingo, St Mary's: There will be Bingo in the Church hall tonight, Sunday August 14 at 7pm. Ticket is £1. Proceeds go to the Restoration fund.

Mary's Meals: On the occasion of her recent significant birthday, Lettie Schiavetta's friends and relatives donated £380 towards Mary's Meals. We will forward this money on to the charity. We renew our good wishes for many happy returns to Lettie.

SCIAF: Donations to SCIAF including teas and coffees and the sale of flowers raised £166.72 which has been forwarded to the charity.

Restoration at St Mary's: Fr Jim and I had a productive meeting this week with the architect and specialist team dealing with the restoration project. The atmosphere at the meeting itself was very encouraging. The next meeting is scheduled for mid-October when applications for further funding for the project will be examined. Over the past years well over £110,000 has been raised in the parish for the Restoration Fund. This is a marvellous achievement when we consider the challenging times these have been.

National Pilgrimage to Carfin – Sunday 25th September 2022

As you read last week, the National Pilgrimage will take place this year during the visit of the relics of St Bernadette. We hope to be able to organise transport for this event as we did last year. There are lists at the back of the churches for those who would be interested in joining the pilgrimage. As well as the National Pilgrimage, each day of the week that the relics are at Carfin has been allocated to two Scottish Dioceses. Dunkeld will share Wednesday 28th September with the Diocese of Paisley. Details of the 'Diocesan Day' will be published shortly. This may give people who cannot attend the National Pilgrimage the opportunity to travel to Carfin for the Diocesan celebrations. One suggestion was that we might take the children preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation on Pilgrimage for the Diocesan Day. I know from experience that the visit of the relics of St Therese of Lisieux had a powerful and life-changing effect on the lives of many and we pray that the visit of the relics of St Bernadette may similarly move people to a deeper understanding of their faith and their life of service in the Lord.

Think Vocations / Pray for Vocations

"Blessed are you among women!" Mary brought the Saviour into the world. Could you be the one to bring Him into the lives of people today, as a priest, religious or deacon? Speak to Fr Mark, your local Vocations Director about priesthood or religious life, email *Priests for Scotland* or see the website or Facebook pages: PFS or VocationNetworkScotland. Diocesan Priesthood.

Advance Notice—Lourdes Reunion Mass: This will take place in St Leonard & St Fergus on Sunday 4th September at 3pm.