



The Catholic Parish of St. Mary & St. Paul, Hamilton

120 Cadzow Street, Hamilton, ML3 6HP

Parish Priest Fr Henry O'Brien

Charity Number SC011041

www.stmarysandstpaulsparishhamilton.org

email: stmaryhamilton@rcdom.org.uk

Tel: 01698 423552

Sunday Masses: Vigil 5pm, 9am and 10:30am

Confessions: Saturday 4:30 – 4:50pm

Newsletter

Thirty-First Sunday of the Year

November 3rd 2024

My dear parishioners,

I hope this finds you and your families well as we begin our journey through November. You may have heard that, on the First Sunday of Advent, we will begin to use a new Lectionary and so I thought it might be useful to share the following information with you.

What is happening to the Lectionary and why?

The Lectionary, which is the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The process began with the Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued with other liturgical texts.

What translation will the new Lectionary use?

The new Lectionary will use both the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible and the Abbey Psalter for the Psalms.

What effect will the changes have on the readings?

The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, to reflect current biblical scholarship, and to provide a text for use in liturgical settings that is easier to proclaim and, where appropriate, more inclusive.

When are the changes taking place?

The Lectionary will become mandatory for use in all Catholic parishes and Mass centres in Scotland, England and Wales from Advent 2024, which begins on December 1st.

Where can I purchase a new Sunday Missal for use at Mass?

The parish stall has placed an order for some copies or you could visit St. Paul's Bookshop in St. Enoch's Square, Glasgow; for more information:

www.newlectionary.org

November Lists are available at the back of the church; please write down the names of your departed relatives and friends and they will be remembered in a special way during our November Masses; donations placed inside the envelopes will be shared between the charities, *Mary's Meals* and *Friends of the Holy Land*.

I offer here the Schedule for the Daily Liturgy:

Monday November 4th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am; Confessions at 6.30pm; Novena at 7pm

Tuesday November 5th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

Wednesday November 6th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

Thursday November 7th: Mass at 10am

Rosary at 9.40am

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday, November 6th at 7pm in the parish meeting room; the council is there to serve the parish community and so please make known your thoughts and suggestions to a council member or place a written comment in the box at the back of the church.

Annual Diocesan Mass for Deceased Clergy: Bishop Toal invites you to join him at Motherwell Cathedral on Monday 11th November at 7pm to pray for the deceased clergy of our diocese; this will also be the Months Mind Mass for Mgr. Henry Docherty, who died recently.

Peter's Pence Collection: the Apostolic Nuncio has written to thank the Diocese of Motherwell for the sum of £34,401 for Peter's Pence, the Pope's charity, collected last year. This was the largest collection in the UK from any diocese; Bishop Toal sends his personal thanks to everyone for their generosity.

Being Catholic Television can be accessed by logging on to www.beingcatholic.org or via the Diocesan website at www.rcdom.org.uk; it can also be accessed via all the usual social media channels.

Coffee Morning and Christmas Card Sale Sunday 10th November: the parish stall and Fairtrade are holding a joint coffee morning after the morning Masses; Christmas Cards, Nativity Sets, Advent Calendars including Fairtrade Chocolate Calendars, Christmas Ornaments etc., will be on sale; Holy Cross High School will also be selling Christmas Cards; a small selection of Fairtrade food and crafts will also be available; toast and home baking will be served; proceeds to the Hamilton Foodbank

CREDO, the parish faith-sharing group meets on Tuesdays at 1 o'clock in the parish meeting room; all are welcome to take part and to enjoy some tea and biscuits afterwards.

The Parish Defibrillator is located in the first confessional and is clearly visible on the wall as you open the door.

Please pray for all who are ill: John Rimmer, Jim Breslin

Recently Deceased: David Rankin, George McDougall, Paul Mulvey, Hugh Wynn, Patrick Wynn, Margeret Bryson, William Miller, Margaret Anne Craig, Jimmy Connor, Martha Oates, Eamonn Nugent, May Masterson, Elizabeth Jack

Special Remembrance: Bertie and Maureen Dawson, Kathleen Zambonini, Mark Owen McGuire, Brian Bonnar, John Boylan, Anna Bogan, Sarah Henderson, Sadie Burns, Michael McCafferty, Fr. Willie O'Sullivan