

St Joseph & St Patrick's Wemyss Bay
Presentation of The Lord 2nd February 2025

Weekend Masses Vigil 5pm Sunday 10am 5pm Confession Saturday 4.30pm

Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am
Exposition 9.30-9.50am

Sunday 10am and Weekday Masses online. Parish YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/stjstp>

Please remember in your prayers:

Sick: Veronica Sherry. Margaret Enright, Jim and Janette Sorrell, Maureen Doran, Derek Fraser,

Recently died: Margaret Paterson, Joe McGeer, Eveyln McNair, Bett Coyle, Jack Young

Anniversaries: Mary Deegan, William & Rose Quinn, Jim McNeill, Joseph Dow.

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The Funeral Mass for Evelyn McNair will be this Wednesday at noon.
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Special Collection next weekend for SPRED

SCIAF Coffee Morning

Starting to sell tickets for our SCIAF coffee morning on **Saturday, 22nd February** this weekend after Masses. Tickets for this worthy cause are **£5 for adults, no charge for children**. Please remember to bring **cash** with you and we look forward to seeing you at the event. **Raffle donations most welcome** and you can still sign up to help on the sheets at the back of the church.

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Alpha & Youth Alpha. Alpha is a series of group conversations that take place in a warm and friendly environment, where everyone's welcome to freely explore the basics of the Christian faith. No matter your background or beliefs, you're invited. The Alpha course **begins on Wednesday 5th of February at 6.30 pm**. A Youth Alpha will start on **Sunday, 9th February, at 2:30 p.m.** Come and join us for Pizza and a friendly discussion. Both Alphas will take place in St. Bernadette's Church Hall, Park Drive, Erskine. Don't forget to secure your spot by registering for these events at www.catholicerskine.website. We look forward to welcoming you.

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Human Rights and Dignity: The Church ardently urges that respect for the dignity of the human person beyond all circumstances be placed at the centre of the commitment to the common good and at the centre of every legal system. Please ask your MSPs and MPs not to allow assisted suicide to become legal in Scotland: <https://writetothem.com>
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Foodbank

Thank you for your continuing generosity. The need is great as ever.

Liturgical Word of the Week

"As we continue to look at various aspects of Prayer and its principal activities this week we cover Thanksgiving. This form of prayer helps us to be grateful for God's many blessings, spiritual and temporal, and helps us to recognise and appreciate all the good things God gives to us. Reserving some time to praise and thank God for his gifts helps us to form a true spirit of gratitude."

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

Diocese of Paisley Podcast - Exclusive Story!

In this episode, Patrick O'Hara looks at the possible opening of a Cause for Canonisation of Scottish football legend **Tommy Burns**.

Listen now on the Diocesan website rcdop.org.uk/podcast or wherever you listen to your podcasts.

Fund Raising Tea Dance for Largs Food Hub and Dementia Friendly Largs.

22nd February 2pm -4.30pm Masonic Club 46 Frazer St Largs

Tickets £5 from Largs Food Hub at back of Largs Library.

St Ninian's Primary School

St Ninians primary school have been accepted to **Tesco Greenock Stronger Starts fund**. The school would greatly appreciate if anyone shopping there could pop a blue token into the St Ninians box and support their application. **Blue tokens are available as you pay but you now need to ask for them at the tills.**

Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

I lost my job at the bank on my first day. A woman asked me to check her balance, so I pushed her over.

<p>Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinators</p> <p>Hazel Mitchell 01475 529510 Mob 07530 406 181 hazel.mitchell007@btinternet.com</p> <p>Julia Gibson Mob 07816910126 gibsonjulia35@gmail.com</p> <p>Please do contact them if you have any concerns.</p>	<p>For notices in the bulletin,</p> <p>suggestions, comments or help with anything, please contact; Brian Blacklaw at</p> <p>brianeblacklaw@icloud.com</p> <p>or phone 07939152980</p>
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Dear St Joseph, Guardian of The Holy Family, watch over our Parish St Patrick, pray for us.