

St Joseph & St Patrick's
Wemyss Bay
2nd Sunday of the Year A
18 January 2026

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: Margaret Enright, Janette Sorrell, Derek Fraser, Veronica Sherry, Jamie Donnachie, Bill Stuart, John Street, Maureen Doran.

Recently died: Isabel McCormick, Ann McElhinney, Margaret Tosh, Brian reilly, John Muir, Pat Ellis.

Anniversaries : Jim Brown, Mary Brown, Rita Campbell

Special Collection this Weekend
Sick & Retired Priests Fund

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK

To mark Christian Unity Week (Sunday 18th January to Sunday 25th January), Bishop Keenan has invited Reverend James Gibson, interim moderator and minister of Paisley Abbey, to preach at the 11am Mass on

Sunday 25th January
in Saint Mirin's Cathedral, Paisley

Parish Pastoral Council

The PPC held its first meeting of 2026. As usual a wide range of topics were covered. Foodbank, Carol Concert, Christmas Services were all reviewed.

An alternative to the Lenten talks was also discussed. These included episodes of Catholicism, or The Chosen. The form of Lenten Services brought about a few suggestions.

If you have a preference please tell Fr Berry.

Fire safety and social events were among other topics.

DIOCESE OF PAISLEY PODCAST - NEW EPISODE

In this episode Vanda Kettelhut meets Bishop John Keenan, Joe Kelly from Aid to the Church in Need, and pupils from Saint Andrew's and Saint Ninian's high schools to learn more about the importance of [Red Wednesday](#), and the persecution of Christians around the world.

Find us on all major streaming platforms.

Teas and coffee in the hall after Sunday 10am Mass

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STELLA MARIS LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Join the inaugural **Stella Maris** Lourdes Pilgrimage: **Monday 25th May to Saturday 30th May.**

We warmly welcome serving or retired seafarers, fishers and their family members or carers to spend six grace-filled days of prayer, healing, and fellowship in the beautiful sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes.

This pilgrimage will be fully funded (including travel, accommodation, and meals).

To register your interest, or request further information please contact:
John Fogarty: john.fogarty@stellamarismail.org **07986723015.**

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APPLYING FOR SEMINARY

At this time of year the Catholic Church in Scotland welcomes applications for Seminary for the year 2027. If you think God may be calling you to the joyful life of a Priest in the Diocese of Paisley, to serve His people, to celebrate the Sacraments and to Preach the Word, “do not be afraid – He is there.”

To find out more about the application process and Seminary itself, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Father Eoin Patten, by email
ve-vocations@rcdop.org.uk.

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Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

At the pre-baptism class the priest asked the group of parents, “Name two things the Church says are required for baptism?” From the back of the room came a voice, “Water and a baby>”

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**St Joseph, Guardian of the Holy Family, watch over our parish
St Patrick, pray for us.**