

21st Sunday of the Year B St Joseph & St Patrick's
25th August 2024

Weekend Masses Vigil Saturday 5pm Sunday 10am
Weekdays Mass 10 am Monday Tuesday and Friday
Eucharistic Service Thursday 10am
Sunday 10am Mass and weekday Masses live streamed
Parish YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/stjstp>



Please remember in your prayers:

Sick:, Derek Fraser, Veronica Sherry, Philip McLaughlin, Margaret Enright,
Jim and Janette Sorrell,

Recently died: Anna Martin, Libra Di Murro

Anniversaries:



Anna Martin R.I.P.

The Requiem Mass for Anna will take place here on Thursday 29th August at 11am.



Dates for the Diary

28-30 August	Visit of the Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía.
Saturday 7th September	March for Life UK https://rcdop.org.uk/marchforlife2024
Tuesday 10th September	Assisted Suicide Meeting St Mary's Greenock 7pm
Thursday 12th September	Diocesan Vocations Mass St John's PG 6.30pm
Wednesday 18th September	Marriage Preparation Course. St Mirin's church hall
Saturday 21st September	Safeguarding course. St Mary's Greenock 10.30am
Thursday 26th September	Heartstart Training. Church Hall 6.30pm

More details nearer the date



Pastoral Visit of the Apostolic Nuncio to the Diocese of Paisley 28-30 August:

The Diocese welcomes the Apostolic Nuncio on a two-day Pastoral Visit and an historic event in the life of our Diocese. The centrepiece is **the Celebration of Holy Mass in Saint Mirin's Cathedral at 7.00pm on the Thursday 29 August.** followed by Refreshments in Hall.



The Income Generation Appeal will take place in all parishes in the Diocese this weekend.

Parishioners will be asked to take one copy of the Income Generation Report per family. The drive this year focuses on increasing the membership of the 'Friends Programme' which parishioners can sign up for after Mass, or they may choose to sign up at a later date using the form enclosed in the Report.



Sunday 1st September

The Sunday evening Mass at 5pm will recommence next Sunday



Liturgical Word of the Week

"This week we look at the sixth of the Seven Corporal Works of Mercy, Bear Wrongs Patiently. Do not be bitter about wrongs done against you. Place your hope in God so that you can endure the troubles of this world and face them with a compassionate spirit"

Parish Meetings to explain the Assisted Suicide Bill and how to stop it!

The real facts about the Assisted Dying Bill and how it will change health care in Scotland for good- for you, your elderly and vulnerable ones- should concern you. The Bill is before Parliament and could pass the critical Stage One by the end of the year which will effectively ensure State sanctioned euthanasia in Scotland. So, action is urgent.

If our MSPs hear nothing from us as citizens, they will feel free to vote it in. Deanery meetings around our diocese will help parishioners build local momentum to make MSPs sit up, take notice and vote against it. Please come to our meetings and invite anyone concerned about this watershed moment. Bishop John will attend all meetings. **Tue 10th September 7.00pm, St. Mary's Hall, Greenock (Inverclyde Meeting),** Wed 25th September at 7.00pm. St. Mirin's Hall, Paisley. (Renfrewshire Meeting).

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Heartstart training session is on Thursday 26th of September 2024, 6.30pm to 8pm in St Joseph & St Patrick's Church Hall. **It is recommended that you should refresh your CPR skills Annually.** If you would like to attend, please email christine.malcolmson@sky.com

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Marriage Preparation Courses 2024 Diocese of Paisley: We invite engaged couples due to be Married in 2024 to register for our final course of this year. Starting on Wednesday 18th September, For any additional details please contact marriageandfamily@rcdop.org.uk

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August *For political leaders*

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

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Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

After having children Adam and Eve got a lot of questions as to why they had to leave the garden of Eden. Easy said Adam, "Your mother ate us out of house and home".

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**Dear St Joseph, Guardian of The Holy Family, watch over our Parish
St Patrick, pray for us**

