

21st Sunday of the Year Year A
St Joseph & St Patrick's
Wemyss Bay
23 August 2026
Vigil Mass 5pm
Sunday Mass 10am

There is no Sunday 5pm Mass during August

Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Friday **Mass 10am**
Exposition 9.20am

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

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**Please remember in your prayers:**

**Sick:** Derek Fraser, Veronica Sherry, Maureen Doran, Brian Bradley, Colette Grant, Scilla Berry, Myra McCall, Mary Leyden, Jim Mulholland.

**Six Month's Mind:** Veronica Pinto-Felix

**Anniversaries :** John Hawkins, Nan McLoughlin, Luis Pinto-Felix  
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**Foodbank Collection Next Saturday**

There are normally major foodbank collections in June and December. However June this year was very busy! So there will be a collection on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August**. The hall will be open from **10am till noon** for donations. The parish is always extremely generous. Thank you.  
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**Parish Pastoral Council**

The PPC is having its annual "Away Day" on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August.  
If you have an queries, suggestions or comments please contact one of the members or Fr Berry or email the address at the bottom of the bulletin.  
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THE NATIONAL CONVERSATION

The [Bishops' Conference of Scotland](https://www.bishopsconference.org.uk/) is encouraging Catholics across Scotland to take part in the **UK Government's National Conversation**, which invites people to share their experiences of life in their communities and their hopes for the future. As Catholics, our faith calls us to be active participants in society, working for the common good and ensuring that every person is heard. This is an opportunity for us to share the positive impact of our parishes, schools, charities and communities, as well as the values that inspire us to build a more compassionate and united society. We encourage Catholics across Scotland to make their voices heard so that our experiences, perspectives and hopes are reflected in this once-in-a-generation listening exercise.

<https://www.national-conversation.ox.ac.uk/>

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for August
For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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JOIN YOUNG CARITAS TODAY FOR A BETTER WORLD TOMORROW

Young Caritas Scotland, launched by SCIAF, is a new national movement aiming to encourage young adults across the country to engage in the international work of the Catholic Church. SCIAF is part of Caritas Internationalis, a network of Catholic humanitarian organisations spanning **200 countries**, united in their goal of reaching out in love to people in the poorest parts of the world. **These organisations have developed 'Young Caritas' in their own country, and SCIAF is now creating this in order to provide a platform for young Catholics here in Scotland.**

<https://www.sciaf.org.uk/youngcaritas>

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RACHAEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT FOR SPIRITUAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALING AFTER ABORTION

A retreat will be held in Glasgow from **Tuesday 8th September to Thursday 10th September**. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call/text Sister Andrea on [07816942824](tel:07816942824) or email sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk.

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Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

You'll always stay young if you live honestly, eat slowly, sleep sufficiently, work industriously, worship faithfully and lie about your age.

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

Teas and coffee in the hall after Sunday 10am Mass