

St Joseph and St Patrick's Wemyss Bay
6th Sunday of the Year
11th February 2024

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

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

Sunday 10am and Weekday Masses online.

Parish YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/stjstp>

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Please remember in your prayers:

Sick:, Grace McLare, Tony Doran, Philip McLaughlin, Paula Clark, Paul Kearney, Derek Fraser, Bernard Hampson, Elizabeth Carey, Miriam Slaven, Sophie Bevan, Lisa Reidy, Peter McNally, Pauline Gurney, Pat McCabe, Anne McAlonan, Judy Gilmour, Michael Martin and Billy McFayden

Recently died: Bernadine Cush, Annie Ford

Anniversaries: Terry Dillon, Myra Hanley, Jean Graham, May Graham, Hugh McKernan

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SPRED – Special 2nd Collection - Sunday, 11th February 2024 (Vigils Sat, 10th Feb):

This collection, on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, will help fund the great work that SPRED do for our parishioners with special needs, helping them understand and celebrate their faith. THANK YOU, in anticipation, for your financial support.

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Pope Francis Prayer Intention

In February, we pray with Pope Francis for the sick who are in the final stages of life, and for their families; may they always receive the necessary medical and human care, and the accompaniment they need.

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Ash Wednesday

This Wednesday, 14th February is a day of fast and abstinence.

Masses, with ashes, will be at 10am and 7pm

Pioneer Total Abstinence

Why not think about taking the
Short Term Pledge for Lent.

Short Term Pledge Prayer

I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart,
And with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
To abstain from all intoxicating drink until
Easter Sunday.

The Annual Pilgrimage to Knock
Friday 24th May to Monday 27th May

Beginning Experience

The loss of a loved one through Separation,
Divorce or Death,

Is one of life's most traumatic experiences.

The Beginning Experience Team

Would like to help.

A weekend away for a lifetime of change.

St Mary's Kinnoull Perth 5-7 April.

Further details Phone Louise

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Liturgical Word of the Week

The fifth of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit is **Fortitude** or Courage. Fortitude means a firmness of mind in doing good and in avoiding evil, particularly when it is difficult or dangerous to do so, and the confidence to overcome all obstacles, even deadly ones, by virtue of the assurance of everlasting life. It means to have the strength and confidence to accomplish difficult actions.

World Day of Prayer in our Parish

This year the World Day of Prayer is taking place on **Friday 1st March at 7pm in our church**. It involves parishioners from Inverkip and Skelmorlie Parish churches as well as ourselves. Please come along and support this event.

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Safeguarding Training – 2024: The Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency has reorganised safeguarding induction training into one course only, combining the previous Parts 1 & 2. If you are a new volunteer or one who completed the Part 1 training course more than a year ago, you are invited to sign up for a Safeguarding training session taking place on:
Saturday 17th February at 10.30am in St. Mary’s Parish Hall, Greenock

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National Day of Prayer: *Friday the 16th of February is National Day of Prayer for those who have suffered abuse*

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The Inverclyde Across to Lourdes Group will be travelling by Jumbulance to Lourdes this year from **29th August till 7th September 2024**.

They will leave from St John’s Hall Port Glasgow and travel overland.
An Across group consists of Nurses, Helpers, Young Helpers (U25) ,and Sick Persons .
The *maximum* fare will be £1095
Anyone wishing to travel it is important to please come along to a meeting in St John’s Hall Port Glasgow on **Wednesday 14th February at 6pm**.

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Fr Berry’s Philosophical Corner

.My friend told me they couldn’t afford their water bill.
So I sent them a Get Well Soon card

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Please do contact them if you have any concerns.

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

