



## St Monica's Church

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### Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - C 25th September, 2022

Holy Mass (Services marked in red will be live  
streamed)

Mon - Fri: - 10am

Saturday: - 10am, 4pm (Vigil)

Sunday: - 10am 12 Noon & 5pm

Children's Liturgy **2<sup>nd</sup> October 12 Noon**

**Mass. All Children making their Sacraments are  
encouraged to attend**

Eucharistic Adoration: -Mon - Sat 9am - 9.55am

Divine Mercy Novena: Mon 2pm

Confessions: Mon - Sun 9.30am - 9.55am

Baptisms & Marriage: - To arrange a baptism or  
marriage please contact Father Ghislain

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First Reading: Am 6:1.4-7

Responsorial Psalm: **My soul, give praise to  
the Lord**

Second Reading: 1 Tim 6: 11-16

Gospel: Lk 16:19-31

#### Weekly Collection

Please support your parish through the weekly  
collection, our income relies solely on the donations of  
our parishioners.

**Last Week's Collection - £743.19**

**There will be a second collection this weekend for  
our Building Fund**

#### 500 Club Winners

1<sup>st</sup> Prize No. 163 M Gollogly

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize No. 59 E McNeill

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize No. 69 B Docherty

Recently Deceased: Christopher Scott, Jim Kane

Sick: Ann & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb,  
Isobel Reilly, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke,  
Anne Marie Snodden, James Donnelly, Patricia  
McGhee, Bernadette Homer, Kelly Noble, Michael  
McGarrity, Sadie McBride, Mary Torbett, Sharon,  
Elizbeth McKenna, Alex Cooper, Mary Toal (Bishop  
Toal's mother) Sr Kathleen Owens

Month's Mind: Sadie Slowey, Patsy Robertson  
Joseph Thomson, Edward & Annie McQuillan,  
Agnes McQuillan, Annie & Frank McCue, Margaret  
Tiffney, Edward McQuillan, Mary Crozier, George &  
Cathie Thomson, Mary Robertson, Walter Clarke,  
John Brady, Flo, Alf & Brian Longyear, Betty Haney,  
Meg & Annie Smith, Sadie & Ann Craig, Fr Frank  
Kelly, Anne Holmes, May & Jimmy McLaughlin,  
Kathleen & Peter Dolan, Tilly & Marie Clarke,  
Mattie, Tommy & Thomas Collins, Jim Boyle,  
Lawrence, William & Mary Brankin, William, Ellen &  
Annie Brankin, Joseph, Agnes, Eddie & Joe Mina,  
Brian, Patricia, & Brian Sharkey, John, Anna & Kevin  
McGrath, Kathleen Smith, David Hayton, Tom  
Sharp, Margaret Deigan, John Deigan, James Deigan,  
Anne Marie Deigan, Mr & Mrs Peter Deigan & Brian  
Mr & Mrs Deigan Snr & Jnr, Mr & Mrs Tommy  
Deigan, Mr & Mrs Prost, Mr & Mrs Grant & Marie,  
Mr & Mrs John Fagan, Ryan Brown, Jack Gill, John  
Thomson

Anniversaries: Mary Thomson, Arthur Craig,  
Margaret Quinn, Mary McSwiggan, Mary, James &  
John Clarke, Elizabeth & James McParland, Danny  
Watson

Please also remember the souls who have  
no-one to pray for them.

**Twenty Sixth Sunday - C**

Indifference to the needs of the poor is against the gospel. The gospel contrasts the two attitudes, that of Lazarus, the image of the poor, the downtrodden, those left penniless by the greed of the wealthy and the tax-collectors, and whose only hope was in the mercy of God, and on the other hand that of the rich man, clothed extravagantly, and feasting magnificently every day, self-sufficient, not seeing any need whatsoever to beg for God's mercy.

How should we set about ensuring that we are on the way to heaven? Firstly, desire it above all else. "There is one thing I ask of the Lord; for this I long; to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life" (Ps 26). Secondly, to try to bear life's crosses with patience and faith. Thirdly, to use this world without becoming engrossed in it, as St Paul says, "because the world as we know it is passing away." (1 Cor 7:31). Take each day as a gift and try to live it well. The closer we live to God in our daily lives the more intense will be our longing to see him face to face. With the Psalmist we will find ourselves saying, "my soul thirsts for God, the God of my life. When can I enter and see the face of God" (Ps 42).

In today's secular world, with money there is the danger of thinking we can buy anything we want as well as forgetting the poor. If we don't put our trust in God, then no amount of wealth can save us or substitute for God. "Lord Jesus, open our eyes to the many ways we can be seduced by wealth. Free us from any wrong reliance on it that prevents us trusting more and more in you and sharing with the poor. Amen".

**RCIA**  
The RCIA programme has now started and will meet every Wednesday at 7pm in the Presbytery. Anyone who wishes to deepen their knowledge of their faith is welcome to attend this meeting.

**Prayer to St Bernadette**

Dear Saint Bernadette, you were chosen by Almighty God as a channel of His graces and blessings, and through your humble obedience to the requests of Our Blessed Mother Mary, you gained for us the miraculous waters of Spiritual and physical healing.

We now implore you to listen to our pleading prayers that we may be healed of our Spiritual and physical imperfections.

St Bernadette, place our petition in the hands of our Holy Mother Mary, so that she may place them at the feet of her beloved Son, Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and He may look on us with mercy and compassion:

Help us, O Dear Saint Bernadette to follow your example, so that irrespective of our own pain and suffering we may always be mindful of the needs of others, especially those whose sufferings are greater than ours.

As we await the Mercy of God, remind us to offer up our pain and suffering for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins and blasphemies of mankind.

Pray Saint Bernadette, that like you, we may always be obedient to the will of our Heavenly Father, and that through our prayers and humility we may bring consolation to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary who have been so grievously wounded by our sins.

Holy Saint Bernadette of Lourdes, pray for us.  
Amen.

<b>26<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year - C</b>		
<b>Monday</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>St Vincent De Paul - Memorial</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>
<b>Thursday</b> <b>SS Michael, Gabriel &amp; Raphael- Feast</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>
<b>Friday</b> <b>Saint Jerome - Memorial</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>
<b>Saturday</b> <b>St Therese of the Child Jesus, Memorial</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b> <b>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year - C</b>	<b>4pm</b> <b>10am,</b> <b>12 Noon &amp; 5pm</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b> <b>Holy Mass</b>