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**Diocese of Motherwell**  
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**SUNDAY MASSES:** Vigils at 4pm & 5.30pm, 10 am, 12Noon & 5pm

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Mon – Sat 10am

**CONFESSIONS:** 30 min before the mass in the Sacristy

**Baptisms:** Speak to Fr Ghislain.

**Marriages:** Please speak to Fr Ghislain. Please note 6 months' notice is required.

**Sunday 18th October: 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Year A**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** IS 45:1.4-6

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Give the Lord glory and power*


**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Gospel: Thes 1:1-5

**Gospel:** Mt 22: 15-21

**Last Sunday's collection** – £757.13

Building Collection - £1173.32

Thank you for your generosity and support.



**1<sup>st</sup> Prize:** No. 249 Jean Jordan  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize:** No. 213 M Logue  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize:** No. 120 G Slevin

**November Lists**

During November we offer daily masses for our departed ones. November Lists are available at the back of the Church. Please complete and return the form before 1<sup>st</sup> of November and put it in the box at the back of the Church.

**Annual Memorial Mass**

Memorial Mass for our departed parishioners will take place in St Monica's Church on Thursday 5 November at 7.00pm. This is when we particularly remember all our parishioners who have died in the last year.

**Confirmation**

Confirmandi who are now in S1 in Secondary School will be Confirmed on 28/29 October 2020 at 7pm.

The Confirmandi who are currently in P7 at St Monica's Primary School will be confirmed on 22 February 2021 at 7pm.

**Mass Readers**

We are still short of readers for some masses and require additional volunteers. If you would be willing to read, please contact Karen Mitchelson on 07802623379

**RCIA**

Please keep in your prayers our Catechumen Gordon Stewart who receives the Sacraments of Initiation today.

**Call of Prayer**

For the 31<sup>st</sup> consecutive week 14 Christian Churches and Organisations invite you to join in the Weekly Ecumenical Call to Prayer at 7pm on Sunday 18th October. The internet link is provided below.

<https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2020/Join-Scottish-churches-in-prayer-this-Sunday-evening>

**November Cemetery Services**

The Diocese have been advised by North Lanarkshire Council that due to Covid 19 restrictions they are unable to offer their cemeteries this year for our Annual November Services.

 <b>Mass Schedule</b>		
<b>Monday</b>	9am 10am  6pm	Parish Mass Requiem Mass for Margaret Quinn Rosary
<b>Tuesday</b>	10am	Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	9am 10am	Parish Mass Requiem Mass for John McGrath
<b>Thursday</b>	10am	Mass
<b>Friday</b>	10am	Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	10am 4pm 5.30pm	Morning Mass Vigil Mass Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	10am 12noon 5pm	30th Sunday A Mass Mass Mass

## **COVID 19**

A few parishioners have recently tested positive for coronavirus. There is no evidence at this time to suggest that this was contracted in the Church.

As the safety of all parishioners is paramount a deep clean was carried out on Thursday by an external contractor.

Any parishioners displaying any symptoms of Covid 19 or who have been asked to self-isolate should follow Government Guidelines and not attend the Church.

Everyone attending the Church should continue to adhere to the guidelines set out as follows.

- Maintain social distancing – Do not leave your seat to talk to others while in the Church.
- Sanitise your hands as you enter and leave the Church and anyone lighting a candle should sanitise their hands before touching the lighter.
- Masks should always be worn and should cover your nose and mouth.
- At communion time no-one should remove their mask until Father Ghislain has moved away from them.

As an additional safety measure everyone entering the Church will have their temperature checked.

These rules are in place to protect you and your fellow parishioners.

## **Missio Scotland – World Mission Sunday**

Dear brothers and sisters,

In his message for World Mission Sunday and in his new encyclical, Pope Francis has called all of us to recognise that we are brothers and sisters who have a responsibility for one another.

The terrible reality of the Covid 19 pandemic, he says, should make us recognise that our need for social relationships and our communal relationship with God are deeply connected. The Church is a family.

World Mission Sunday marks a tradition which goes all the way back to the earliest days of the Church where one community helps a Church community in need somewhere else. World Mission Sunday is a day when every person in every parish in every country where the church is present celebrates together and shares what they have. It is the one Sunday in the year when Pope Francis asks the whole Church to help mission parishes and to reach out with Jesus' message of hope and love. The Catholics of Scotland have always responded with great generosity to the Pope's appeal.

## **Please remember in your prayers:**

**Sick:** Leigh McKennan, John Clenaghan, Jean Graham, James Carr, Linda Webb.

**Recently Dead:** Danny Byrne, Pat McGurk, John McGrath, Marg McCluskey, Margaret Armstrong, Margaret Quinn (Wellington Place)

**Months Mind:** Beth & Matthew Miller, James, Caroline, Elizabeth Mary, James (Jnr), Robert & William McKinley, Peter Grant, Betty Allison, Agnes Welsh, Lily, Liam, John & Brian Loney, James McGrath; Francis Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret, Rose & Anne McGeehan, Catherine & James McDonald, Sheila Kennedy, Charlotte Costello, Ann Sood

**Anniversaries:** Owen Kane, Margaret & Dennis Morgan, Margaret Tullock, Sandra & David Moore, Elisabeth Mollay, Philip Healy, Bernard Loney, Mary McGrath

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

In 1988 Fr Pat Hennessy left his Parish of Our Lady and St Anne's in Hamilton to go to work among the people of the Andes mountains in Peru, South America. One day some men came to ask him to visit their village higher up the mountain. Among those who would see him was 14-year old Pedro Bustamante. Soon after Fr. Pat's visit, a parish was established. Several years later Pedro Bustamante entered seminary, was ordained a priest and is now the Bishop of Sicuani, a remote area in the high Andes where the people are among the poorest in the world. They have also been hit especially hard by the pandemic.

This year, in your name, Missio Scotland wishes to help the people of Llusco in Sicuani in three ways.

The first is to build a parish house in the village so that there can be a resident priest and the people can have Mass and the sacraments. The house will also be a centre where the community can come together to share food and life.

The second way we can help is to fund a feeding programme for disabled children in the Sicuani area which is run by the diocese.

The third way of helping is to pray for the Church in Peru, especially in Sicuani.

Through whatever you can give this Mission Sunday, you can help those who have poor and in most need to experience the love of God. You can donate online by visiting [missioscotland.com](http://missioscotland.com) or by texting Missioscot to 70085 to donate £3.

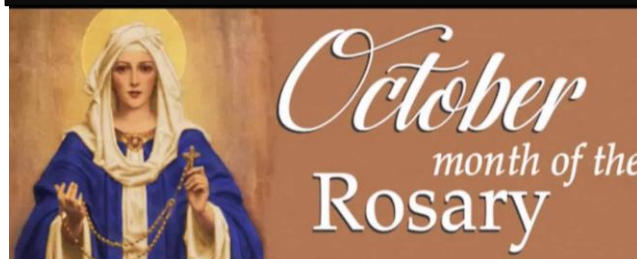
With prayers of everyone at Mission for your health and well-being.

Your sincerely in Christ

Fr. Vincent Lockhart

National Director of Missio Scotland – The Pontifical Mission Societies.

## **October Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary**



**Rosary every Monday at 6pm**

