



St Monica's Parish

Bulletin

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Parish Priest: Fr. Ghislain B. Mulumanzi.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Saturday: 9am-9.55am
SUNDAY MASSES: Vigils at 4pm & 5.30pm
10am (livestream) 12 Noon & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday – Saturday 10am

CONFESSIONS: 30min before the mass in the sacristy

BAPTISMS: Please speak to Fr Ghislain

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

16th Sunday of the Year- B

First Reading: Jer 23:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want

Second Reading: Eph 2: 13-18

Gospel: Mk 6: 30-34

Reflection

The busy apostles had no time even to eat. In spite of all the labour-saving devices we have today, people were never busy. The hectic world of business is dominated by four P-words: profit, productivity, pace and pressure. The four F-words are under pressure: family, friends, festival and fun. When work dominates, even recreation is called a workout. Little things matter a lot: like eating with others instead of a hurried snack alone, sitting at table instead of standing, using a teapot rather than a bag-in-cup, placing a saucer under a cup. Ban phones from the table! People were like sheep without a shepherd, so Jesus set out to teach them at some length. What a world needs are people of vision, contemplatives who can lead the aimless sheep, people of true holiness and wisdom to restore the big picture of life's meaning.

Collections

Offertory Collection: £840.60

Building Fund: £ 402.06

**Special Collection next weekend 24/25 July
for Peter's Pence**

We received our 2020/21 Gift Aid repayment from HMRC in the amount of £5.334.03. Thank you to everyone that is signed up to our Gift Aid Scheme.

500 Club Winners

1st Prize: No. 15 H O'Grady

2nd Prize: No. 110 S Kane

3rd Prize: No. 555 S Kennedy

Weekly Offering

Your financial support of the Parish in recent months has been appreciated and I would ask you to please continue to show your support. If you wish to donate your weekly offering to the parish online, below are the parish bank details.

Account Name: RCDM St Monica's

Sort Code: 83 17 13

Account Number: 00163062

Eucharistic Ministers

There will be adoration followed by a meeting in the Church on Tuesday **20 July 2021 at 7pm** for all Eucharistic Ministers.

Summer Raffle

Raffle tickets are now on sale.

We are having a summer raffle at the end of July to raise funds for our building refurbishment.

Please hand in any raffle prize donations to Elizabeth McAdams.

We thank you in advance for your support.



Sponsored Walk Friday 6 August 2021 at 11am

We are calling on all the children of the parish to come and join in the fun of a sponsored walk to help raise funds for the refurbishment of our lovely church. We will meet at St Monica's Church on Friday the **6th of August at 11am**. Bring a bottle of water to keep hydrated (best foot forward!). **Sponsor forms can be collected from the back of the church.**



Football Cards



Thank you to everyone who took a football card last weekend. We still have plenty of cards left so please pick up a card as you leave the church and help support our fundraising for our church refurbishment. Half the proceeds go to the winner, and the other half goes to the church building fund. Minimum per team £1, but please feel free to sell them for more if you wish. Please hand in all money raised on or before Sunday 29 August.

Safeguarding Webinar 2nd October 2021

Registration for this event is NOW OPEN. This link to the registration page is <https://bit.ly/3gQRdPu>. The Bishops are keen to encourage as many people as possible to participate in the webinar which will address the theme – **'Growing Our Culture of Care'**. Clergy, religious, Church employees and volunteers are invited to participate. Our parish safeguarding co-ordinator is Mrs Wendy Gibbons and can be contacted on tel: 01236 437523.

Baptism Preparation

For parents requesting the christening of their children, their attendance at mass in the church with the congregation on the weekend is a very important part of the preparation.

COVID 19 – Update

Following on from the recent announcement from the First Minister, please note the following changes that will take place from one minute past midnight on Monday 19th July 2021.

All of Scotland will move to level 0 which will allow the following to take place in 'Places of Worship'.

- Physical distancing will reduce from 2 metres to one metre between household groups and/or individuals which will allow more people to attend masses.
- Congregational singing is allowed in level 0, however face coverings must still be worn.
- Up to 200 people are permitted to attend weddings and funerals subject to the size of the church and the 1 metre physical distance rule and how many we can realistically cope with in terms of stewarding, name checking, etc.
- **Please remember that the wearing of face coverings will continue to be mandatory.**
- The collecting of names and contact details are still required.

Please remember in your prayers

Recently Dead: Daniel Cunningham (**Funeral on 27 July**), John McDade

Sick: Niamh Cassidy, Anne & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb, Annie Carr, Michael McAdams, Nicolas Hardy, Mary & Joseph Cope, Isobel Reilly, Gerald McDonald, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke, Janey Mullen, Ann Craig, Ben McGovern

Months Mind: Francis, Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret, Rose & Anne McGeehan, Catherine & James McDonald, Sheila Kennedy, Charlotte Costello, Moira Skillin, Ann Sood, John & Bridie Docherty, Eddie McGonigal

Anniversaries: James Smith, Daniel Ferguson, Albert Gould, James Drummond, Betty Connolly, Willie Ferrie

Baptism: We welcome **Ostyn Michael Koczan**. May he be filled with divine blessing and guidance.

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



Services this week		
Monday	10am	Holy Mass
Tuesday	10am	Holy Mass
Wednesday	10am	Holy Mass
Thursday St Mary Magdalene	10am	Holy Mass
Friday St Bridget of Sweden	10am	Holy Mass
Saturday	10am 4pm & 5.30pm	Holy Mass Vigil Mass
Sunday	10am 12 Noon & 5pm	Holy Mass 17th Sunday of the Year – B