

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ORDINARY TIME

The Ordinary Time of the Church's Year is devoted to the unfolding of the Mystery of Christ in all its aspects.

June: The Sacred Heart of Jesus.

July: The Precious Blood of Jesus.

TODAY: SOLEMNITY OF STS. PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES.

FRIDAY: ST. THOMAS, APOSTLE.
First Friday of July.

NEXT SUNDAY:
14h. Sunday in Ordinary Time.

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTIONS
June 2026

For the values of sports

That sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

July 2026

For respect for human life

For the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

PARISH PRAYERS

We pray for all who are ill or housebound, especially:

Brian Bradley, Joan Birt,
Annabelle Melville,
Tommy Gallacher,
Margaret McGarry, Chris Jones,
Sandi Bray, George Bennett,
Michael Fitzharris, Gina Robb,
Isobel Diorio, Anne Faller,
Nan Scullion, Lexi Kerr (baby),
Linda Scott, Maureen Hanvey,
Emma Sinclair, Maureen Houston,
Anne Kane, Jessica Glover,
Caroline McNeil, Joanne King.

We pray for all who have died recently, R.I.P., especially:

Catrina McFeeters.
Denis McCabe.

We remember those whose anniversaries are at this time, R.I.P., especially:

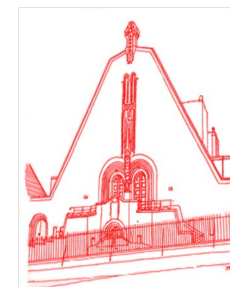
Rev. Edward G. Costello,
Assistant Priest here, 1968-1971,
Florence Gertrude Thompson,
Bridie & Gerry Harkins,
Albert Burrows, Hannah Boyle,
Joe & Susan Stinson,
Agnes Irvine, Lauren McInnes (McLeod),
Cornelius Cullen (Snr.)
Cornelius Cullen (Jnr.), Marion Cullen.



ST. PATRICK'S BULLETIN

St. Patrick's Presbytery,
5 Orangefield Place,
Greenock, PA15 1YX.

Parish Priest: Rev. Gerard Gallagher



28th. June 2026

STS. PETER & PAUL

SUNDAY MASS: Saturday Vigil; 5.30pm Sunday: 11.00am
Sunday Readings: SOLEMNITY OF STS. PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES
WEEKDAY MASS: Tuesday-Saturday: 10.00am
Weekday Readings: 13th. Week of Ordinary Time: Year 2
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Friday: 9.30-9.50am
PENANCE & RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 10.30am & 4.45-5.15pm
Divine Office: 13th. Week of Ordinary Time Psalms: Week 1
Baptism: Sunday after 11.00am Mass by prior arrangement
Marriage: Please give at least 6 month's notice of Marriage.

TODAY'S LITURGY

1st. Reading: Acts 12.1-11

'Now I am sure that the Lord has rescued me from the hand of Herod.'

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 34 (33)

R./ From all my terrors the LORD set me free.

2nd. Reading: 2 Timothy 4.6-8,17-18

'There is laid up for me the crown of righteousness.'

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 16.13-19

'You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.'

Today's Liturgy: The readings today recall the highs and lows of the lives of the two great Apostles, Peter & Paul. Paul recalls how he had mercilessly persecuted the Church; his letters bear witness to his remarkable change to fearless preacher of the Risen Christ. Peter, despite denying three times he even knew Jesus, is given the title of "Rock" and the commission to be shepherd to Jesus' flock.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Parish Hall to help:
Sunday 12.00pm—12.30pm.
Parish helpline, please call:
07746009763



Telephone: 01475 720223

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Website: www.stpatricksgreenock.info

Instagram: [stpatricksgreenock2026](https://www.instagram.com/stpatricksgreenock2026)

X(twitter): [@stpatricksrcdop](https://twitter.com/stpatricksrcdop)

MASS THIS WEEK
Tuesday to Saturday, 10.00am.

PARISH HALL EVENTS

TEAS & COFFEES in the **Hall** after 11.00am Mass on Sunday.

BINGO FUNDRAISER on **Saturday 25th. July 2026** in the Parish Hall in support of **DM Diamondz Royalz**, a local dance team, on their journey to the All Star World Dance Championship.

Join us for an enjoyable afternoon of bingo and refreshments.

Entry, 1.15pm, Bingo starts, 1.30pm, Finish, 4.15pm.

Ticket price of **£5**, includes tea/coffee, sandwiches, cakes, and a bingo flyer.

For tickets or further information, please contact **Esther** on **07786077940** or speak to us in the church hall after 11.00am Mass.

FINANCE

THANK YOU for last week's **Offertory Collection** which came to **£980.34**.

Thank you also for your very generous response to last weekend's **MISSION APPEAL** on behalf of the Sisters of the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus which came to **£1,000.00**.

TODAY, SECOND COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE.

Donating to **Peter's Pence** is a concrete gesture of communion with **Pope Leo** and of solidarity with his mission to bring the Gospel throughout the world.

To support this initiative, **The Vatican** has prepared multimedia materials to illustrate its significance.

On the official website

ObolodiSanPietro.va,

- you can view or download the [official video](#), in **several languages**
- Download the **brochure and poster**, available in **several languages**
- Make a [donation](#) through secure digital channels

Every offering – large or small – supports the Holy Father in his **ministry** and in his **charitable activities** in response to emergencies and needs around the world.

JULY BUILDING FUND COLLECTION As the first weekend in July is our **fair weekend**, the monthly Second Collection for the Building Fund does not take place.

IRH CHAPLAINCY If you or a relative are in **IRH**, please let Fr. Gerry know if you would like a visit from a catholic chaplain and he will arrange this for you.

ANNIVERSARIES OF ORDINATION
Congratulations to CANON DESMOND BERRY who celebrated the **Golden Anniversary** of his Ordination on Friday evening.

As part of the Golden Jubilee celebrations, the parish at Wemyss Bay is hosting a **tearoom TODAY (Sunday) from 11.00am until 1.00pm**. Everyone is invited to get together over tea and scones, to swop stories and mark this wonderful milestone for Father Berry.

CANON TOM BOYLE at St. Mary's is celebrating his **40th. Anniversary of Ordination** with a Mass in St. Mary's on **Monday evening at 7.00pm**. All are welcome to join in this Mass.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027: Pope Leo invites the young people of the world to join him in Seoul in South Korea, in August 2027 for the celebration of World Youth Day 2027. The Diocese of Paisley is responding to Pope Leo's invitation. If you are aged 19-35 in Summer 2027 and would like to know more, register your interest now at www.rebrand.ly/DPY-WYD-2027. E-mail Fr Ryan at VE-Youth@rcdop.org.uk with any enquiries.



JUSTICE AND PEACE SCOTLAND NEWSLETTER: The June-August 2026 issue is out now. This features an introduction to Pope Leo's first

encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* as well as regular news and updates from around the J&PS network, upcoming events, and campaign actions to support. Available at www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk.

RELICS OF SAINT GERARD MAJELLA, the mother's saint, will be at **Saint Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh**, on **Saturday 18th. July**, with the **entrance of the relics at 10.00am**, time for personal prayer, **Mass at 12:30pm**. The Redemptorists around the world are celebrating the **300th anniversary of the birth of Saint Gerard Majella**, an Italian lay-brother popularly invoked as The Mother's Saint. Father Royston Price CSsR is organizing the event and can be contacted for more details at royston.price@redemptorists.co.uk.

CARDINAL WINNING PRO-LIFE INITIATIVE

Pregnant? Worried? No support?

You can choose to have your baby and we will help. Any woman faced with a crisis pregnancy is welcome to contact **The Cardinal Winning Pro-life Initiative** for help and support.

Phone 0141 433 2680

or 07377 565291
