

# Westhill Catholic Parish Bulletin



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time      15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

The readings for Mass can be found on <https://universalis.com/20230115/mass.htm>

### MASS TIMES

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

Mass at **5:30 pm** in the Small Chapel. Rosary from 5:10 pm. The Legion of Mary Group will meet after the Mass.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January**

Mass at **10 am** in the Small Chapel. Adoration from 9 am. Rosary from 9:35 am. The Rosary Cenacle Prayer Group and Mothers Prayers Group will meet after Mass.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January**

**Mass at 9 am.**

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment with Fr Emmet.*

### WELCOME

Welcome to all new parishioners and visitors to Trinity Church. If you would like to receive our Parish newsletter every week then please fill in your details in the [online form](#) on the Parish website. The Parish has several prayer groups which help us to sustain our faith and to grow in the Love of God and of our Neighbour. The details for these prayer groups can be found on the Parish website and at the back of the newsletter.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Children's Liturgy on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Children's Liturgy is open to all children from toddlers up to around Confirmation age.

**Teas and Coffees on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January after the 9 am Mass in the rear hall**

All are very welcome to come along!

**Sunday School for First Confession & First Holy Communion, Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Classes will be held in the Small Chapel after the 9 am Mass and are led by Moyra Stephen ([moyrastephen@gmail.com](mailto:moyrastephen@gmail.com)).

**Confirmation Preparation Class on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Classes will be held in the meeting room (near the kitchen) after the 9 am Mass. Classes are led by Mary Arkless ([mllarkless@gmail.com](mailto:mllarkless@gmail.com)).

**Bingo Night Family Fundraiser, Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February, 4 pm to 6 pm, Trinity Church**

We will be fundraising for [HCPT](#) Group 118 who will be taking a small group of children to Lourdes for a life-changing pilgrimage holiday this Easter. Tickets £5 at the door. Bring your own nibbles and drinks. There will also be a raffle, and donations of prizes would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be given to Bronwyn Davidson. Our bingo night fundraisers in the past have always been a fun social event for our parish community, and we do hope you and your family & friends will be able to come along.

**Stronghold Festival, 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May, Craig Lodge, Argyll**

The Stronghold Festival will be a four-day celebration of God's love for us! Centred on praise, worship, adoration, inspiring talks, and time for building friendships and fellowship. Open to all youth aged 16-35. Early bird tickets now on sale. For more information click [here](#).

**Generation Hope Summer Camp, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> June, Cairn Brae, Perthshire**

This is a five-day/four-night summer camp/outdoor education style event for youth in S1 – S3. Youth groups will stay in chalets which are clustered around a man-made loch and will take part in fabulous activities including water sports, kayaking, zip line, football, golf, arts & crafts, and much more! There will also be daily Mass, testimonies and teachings on the Faith and the work of Mary's Meal, good music, fun and games! For more details and to register before the end of January, visit the St Mary's Cathedral webpage [here](#).

**World Youth Day, 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> August, Lisbon, Portugal**

WYD is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the youth world. Open to all youth aged 16 - 35. Cost is approximately £700 -£900. If you are interested, please email Joe Kelly, Youth and Children's Coordinator at St Mary's Cathedral: [youth@cathedral-abdn.org](mailto:youth@cathedral-abdn.org)

## PRAYERS WITH THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary group can visit your home or meet with you at church to say a special prayer or the rosary with our lovely statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Interested parties can contact Bronwyn ([bronwyn.d@vidson.me](mailto:bronwyn.d@vidson.me)) or Fr Emmet ([eod@rcda.scot](mailto:eod@rcda.scot)).

*“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”* (Matthew 18:20)

## PRAY NOVENAS

Pray Catholic Novenas App is a mobile app that helps Catholics pray novenas. The app is available on the iOS and Android app stores. It has transformed the prayer life of thousands of people by bringing them closer to God in a consistent way.

Read more at: <https://catholicnovenapp.com/>

*Links to upcoming novenas:*

[St Francis de Sales Novena](#) Starts: January 15<sup>th</sup>. Feast day is on January 24<sup>th</sup>.

[St Angela Merici Novena](#) Starts: January 18<sup>th</sup>. Feast day is on January 27<sup>th</sup>.

[St Thomas Aquinas Novena](#) Starts: January 19<sup>th</sup>. Feast day is on January 28<sup>th</sup>.

## RETRouvaille

Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work.

For confidential information about ‘Retrouvaille’ or to register for the next programme commencing with a weekend in Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, on **24 -26 February 2023**, email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

The programme is rooted in Catholic tradition but couples of all faith or none are more than welcome to participate in the programme.

## PARISH GROUPS

**The Legion of Mary, weekly meetings in the Small Chapel, Monday evenings at 6 pm**  
**Contact: Eugene Ogozi (Tel: 07983125904)**

The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholics, who under the leadership of Mary, serve the Church and the community on a voluntary basis. Meetings consist of prayers (including the rosary), a sermon, reports and discussions.

**The Rosary Cenacle Prayer Group, weekly meetings, Thursdays after the 10 am Mass**

All are very welcome. We pray especially for our priests, the Pope and for our families. For more information: <https://mmp-usa.net/>

**Mothers Prayers Group, weekly meetings on Thursdays after the 10 am Mass**

The ‘Mothers Prayers’ prayer group was begun by mothers in England in 1995. These mothers felt that they should bring all the pain and the worries they had for their children to Christ and to trust in His words ‘Ask and you will receive.’

## COLLECTION

The collection for Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January was £110.

*Thank you very much for your generosity.*

## SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

You can support the work of our parish financially either in the **Offertory Collection Basket** at the door, using our **Offertory Envelopes**, or by setting up a **Standing Order** so that money will be donated to the parish every week or month.

If you use the envelopes or set up a standing order and you pay tax, we can claim **Gift Aid** for every donation that you make. This means that we receive a further 25p for every £1 you donate, at no extra cost to you.

To register for **Gift Aid**, to get offertory envelopes, or to set up a Standing Order, please speak to Fr Emmet either directly before or after Mass or by phone/email and he will give you the details. **Thank you to all of you.**