

Westhill Catholic Parish Bulletin



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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5th February 2023

The readings for Mass can be found on <https://universalis.com/20230205/mass.htm>

MASS TIMES

Monday 6th February

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 9th February

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 12th February

Mass at 9 am.

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

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 Fr Emmet (eod@rcda.scot) or Bronwyn (bronwyn.d@vidson.me).

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Children’s Liturgy on Sunday 5th February

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

Sunday School for First Holy Communion on Sunday 5th February

Sunday School classes will be held in the Small Chapel after the 9 am Mass and are led by Moyra Stephen (moyrastephen@gmail.com).

Confirmation Preparation Class on Sunday 5th February

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

Bingo Night Family Fundraiser, Saturday 11th 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 at the door. £10 for a family ticket, £5 singles. Bring your own nibbles and drinks. There will also be a raffle draw (£1 per raffle ticket), 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 will be able to come along.

New Dawn Day, Saturday 11th February, St Peter & St Paul’s Church in Dundee

Starting with Mass at 10 am, you are invited to a day filled with Praise & Worship, Inspiring Talks, Youth Ministry, Testimonies, Workshops, Healing Service. For more information visit: <https://newdawninScotland.com/>

Teas and Coffees on Sunday 19th February after the 9 am Mass in the rear hall

If you would like to help with this, do let us know by speaking to Antonella Tonna (antonellatonna@hotmail.com). All are very welcome to attend.

Ash Wednesday Mass, 22nd February, 6pm, Trinity Church

Please note that the Mass will be held in the main Church at Trinity.

Stronghold Festival, 26th – 29th 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, 2nd – 6th 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 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 visit the St Mary’s Cathedral webpage [here](#).

PREGO

PREGO is a weekly leaflet to help people pray the Sunday Mass Readings. There is an additional page (PREGO PLUS) providing simple background material on the two Scripture texts. Prego is produced by St Beuno's, a retreat centre in Wales. To aid spiritual development in adult Catholics they have produced a weekly pamphlet of reflections which are based on the Sunday readings.

The idea is that a person will hear the readings at Mass on Sunday and then refer to their Prego publication throughout the week as a stimulus for personal prayer and reflection:

<https://stbeunosoutreach.wordpress.com/prego/>

CHRISTIAN ART

Christian Art's mission is to offer a pathway to grow closer to God through the beauty of art and the Gospel. They offer a unique approach to daily Gospel readings. Each day, they select a work of art relevant to the day's scripture passage and offer a short-written reflection on the two. For more information: <https://christian.art/about/>

If you use [Universalis.com](https://www.universalis.com) for your daily readings, you will find the link for that day's Christian Art reflection at the end of the readings.

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 or visit 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 Ogosi (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 22nd January was £95.

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.**