St. Peter's Hamilton

Christ the King (A)

22nd November 2026

Our Parish Mission

All are welcome in this place
Behold Love's amazing grace
All are welcome
Bring your hopes, bring your dreams
Mercy flows and love redeems

Its 6.10am

A wee bit later today.

Sorry!

Im freezing! lol

We have busy weekends coming up with the 2 High Schools coming to speak to us. I cannot wait to hear for they say to us.
We continue to thank the staff of all our schools for all they do for our children. I really appreciate it.
St. Peter's and St. Mark's staff work so hard for our children. I want to thank them for what they do for them. Please continue to pray for both schools.

Catholic Education Week 16th Nov- 30th Nov 2026

21st November

Representatives of Holy Cross High
will speak to us about Catholic Education at the Vigil Mass.

And on

29th November

Representatives of St.John Olgivie High
will speak to us about Catholic Education at the 11am Mass.

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. I can't believe we are coming to the end of the Churches year. Next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent, the start of our preparation for the Birth of Jesus. At Mass next weekend I will bless two advent wreaths, one for use in the main church and the other for the side chapel.

The Mass in the Side Chapel during the week is going well and it will probably be held in there till Ash Wednesday 10th February 2027.
Except for Funerals and when the children come to Mass.

Our Coffee Morning is held in the Dining Room every Tuesday. Please come along to have a wee chat in pleasant surroundings. The Next one is 1st December

Funeral Arrangements

Robert Gallacher
Tomorrow Friday 20th November Funeral Mass at 10am.

Next Weeks Mass Programme

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday : 10am Mass

Wednesday: 10am Mass

Thursday: 10am Mass

Friday: 10am Mass

Saturday: 10am Mass

This Week's Rota

Readers

4pm Vigil: S. Darragh

9.30am: P. Davies

11am: P. Barton

Eucharistic Ministers

4pm Vigil: M. Kilpatrick, A. Gebbie & M. Kilpatrick

9.30am: K. O'Neill, M. Devanney & C. Bonnar

11am: H. Govers, Kirsty Grant & K. Flynn

Weekday 10am Mass Readers Rota

Tuesday: P. Davies

Wednesday: B. Cornes

Thursday: P. McKeown

Friday: J. McCluskey

Saturday: A. Devlin

Please pray for the following:

Sick:

Margaret Callaghan Doreen Cleary, Neil Boyle,
John Rielly, James Clark, Fr. Michael McLaughlin, Patricia

Henderson, Joanna Maier (Connecticut USA), Therese Gilgunn Tressy Callaghan, Suzanne McMurray, Marie White,Lesley Watson (Spain) John McGuire, Jill Brown, Maureen McHugh,Margaret Burke, Kathleen Daly, Karen Pritchatt, Louise Newton, Faith Lyndsey, Marie McGuire, James Morton, Thomas Daly, Andrew McCluskey, Margaret Loan, Premature Baby Vincent McDowell, Gudren Berk (Germany), Jaqueline McReynolds, Mary Morrison, Helen Howarth (Easterhouse), Avril McCluskey, Carol Corr, Margaret Park, Thomas Kennedy, Alana Hepburn, Michael Ritchie, Hugh O'Donnell, Mary Brandon, Michelle McDade, Pope Leo, Baby Matteo, Angela Hendry, Patsy McMenemy, James McLernon (Blantyre) Joan Daly, and all our sick.

Recently Dead:

Robert Gallacher, Thomas Gaffney, Nora McDonald, Geri Casey, Cathy Young,

Month Minds & Anniversaries:

Annie Cocozza, David Cunningham, Anne & Hugh Rodgers, Dennis Brown Snr, Dennis Brown, Mamie Brown, Anuziata De Marco, Frank Lyttle, Christine Archibald & Tracey Archibald,

Please if you could make sure all month minds and anniversaries are handed in no later than Wednesday Night.

If they come in after that they will be read out at Mass on Sunday. If the recently dead come in after the Wednesday deadline they too will be read out at Mass on the Sunday.

This Weeks Readings

First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17

God himself will shepherd the people of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23:1-2,2-3,5-6

The Lord is our shepherd.

Second Reading

Corinthians 15:20-26,28

Because Christ has been raised from the dead, all those who have died will also be raised.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus teaches that when the Son of Man comes in glory, he will judge the nations, separating the sheep from the goats.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel passage is the conclusion of Jesus' discourse with his disciples. It is about the end of time, the coming of the Son of Man, and the final judgment. We hear this description of the final judgment at the conclusion of our liturgical year, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. In the context of Matthew's Gospel, this passage might also be read as a conclusion of Matthew's report on Jesus' life and ministry; the remaining chapters report the events of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection.

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes to his disciples the scene of the judgment of the Son of Man. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate them as a shepherd separates sheep and goats upon their return from the pasture. The judgments made by the Son of Man will be based upon the acts of mercy shown to the least ones—the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. Indeed, Jesus, who suffered on the Cross, identifies himself with the least ones.

Recall that last week's parable of the talents taught us that the gifts that we have been given are intended to be used for the service of others, especially the least among us. Our judgment before God will be based not only on how we have used these gifts and talents, but also on how we have extended ourselves in service to these least ones. Indeed, Jesus tells us that whenever we have served these least ones, we have served Christ himself.

When we read today's Gospel in the context of the chapters that follow in Matthew's Gospel, we learn the extent to which Jesus identifies with the least ones. In accepting death on the cross, Jesus shows himself to be one of the hungry, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. To accept Jesus is to accept him who suffered and died on the Cross as one of the least ones.

Every Week from now on there will be a feast day of the week in the bulletin. This weeks is:

St. Andrew dung-Lac & Companions 24th November Saint

Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions' Story Andrew Dung-Lac, a Catholic convert ordained to the priesthood, was one of 117 people martyred in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862. Members of the companions group gave their lives for Christ in the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries, and received beatification during four different occasions between 1900 and 1951. All were canonised during the papacy of Saint John Paul II. Christianity came to Vietnam through the Portuguese. Jesuits opened the first permanent mission at Da Nang in 1615. They ministered to Japanese Catholics who had been driven from Japan. Severe persecutions were launched at least three times in the 19th century. During the six decades after 1820, between 100,000 and 300,000 Catholics were killed or subjected to great hardship. Foreign missionaries martyred in the first wave included priests of the Paris Mission Society, and Spanish Dominican priests and tertiaries. In 1832, Emperor Minh-Mang banned all foreign missionaries, and tried to make all Vietnamese deny their faith by trampling on a crucifix. Like the priest-holes in Ireland during English persecution, many hiding places were offered in homes of the faithful.Persecution broke out again in 1847, when the emperor suspected foreign missionaries and Vietnamese Christians of sympathizing with a rebellion led by of one of his sons. The last of the martyrs were 17 laypersons, one of them a 9-year-old, executed in 1862. That year a treaty with France guaranteed religious freedom to Catholics, but it did not stop all persecution. By 1954, there were over a

million Catholics—about seven percent of the population—in the north. Buddhists represented about 60 percent. Persistent persecution forced some 670,000 Catholics to abandon lands, homes and possessions and flee to the south. In 1964, there were still 833,000 Catholics in the north, but many were in prison. In the south, Catholics were enjoying the first decade of religious freedom in centuries, their numbers swelled by refugees. During the Vietnamese war, Catholics again suffered in the north, and again moved to the south in great numbers. Now reunited, the entire country is under Communist rules. Reflection It may help a people who associate Vietnam only with a 20th-century war to realize that the cross has long been a part of the lives of the people of that country. Even as some people ask again the unanswered questions about United States involvement and disengagement, the faith rooted in Vietnam's soil proves hardier than the forces that willed to destroy it.

Its that time of the year again:
Christmas Foodbank Appeals
Christmas Shopping List
Mince Pies, Tinned Ham, Christmas Pudding, Christmas Cake, Box of Biscuits, Selection Box,
Box of Chocolates, Bar of Chocolate,
Snacks & Nibbles, Christmas Crackers, Mash Potatoes, UHT Milk, Tea bags, Coffee, Diluting Juice.
Christmas Toiletries List
Shampoo, Shower Gel, Bubble Bath, Toothpaste,Toothbrush,

Mouthwash, Bar of Soap, Liquid Hand Soap, Disposable razors, Ladies Deodorant,
Mens Deodorant, Shaving Foam or Gel.

Christmas Toy Appeal

New Board Games, New Jigsaw Puzzles,
New colouring books & Crayons New Books.
Thank you for your kindness again.
Fr. Frank

Christmas Cards etc are available from in the side Chapel at competitive prices.

Breakfast with Santa

5th December

If anyone's workplace donate gifts for kids at Christmas please keep St. Peter's Church in mind as we are organising Breakfast with Santa for over 100 children in the area free of charge and any support would be greatly appreciated.... also tombola gifts ....give Anne Frances a message or hand in to the church.

Panto 2027

January 8th 2027

Goldilocks

Price £36 including Bus
Sign up Sheet in Porch
Scan the QR code on the notice board in the Church
Click on the following link as well.

St Peters Panto Trip Jan 2027 – Fill in form

Powerpoint Remote Control:
I am also looking for Volunteers to move the power-points on during the Sunday Masses, Vigil 4pm, 9.30am & 11am.
It is very easy to operate, if we get enough volunteers for each Mass we would put a wee rota together. It would take a wee bit of pressure off me.

Gift Aid

If you wish to sign up for Gift Aid. It is a great way to help the parish financially, costing you absolutely nothing. If you wish to sign up contact myself or Doreen Lee and we will give you the form and hand it back as you can and we can get it organised. As I said it costs you nothing, but helps the parish so much.

Baptism/Wedding Meetings: **THURSDAY** 6pm & 7pm. **JUST TURN UP**

The Bulletin is available by email

I can't thank you enough for your generosity to the Parish. I really appreciate it. Please keep it up, Once again Thank You.

Fr. Frank