

St. Peter's Hamilton

22nd Sunday (A)

30th August 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

6.04am

It is a wee bit later today, I couldn't get out of bed this morning ahh.

We have a busy few weeks ahead of us. Please keep a note of the dates that are coming up.

I would like as many of us to go to St. John Olgivie for Mass on the 28th September in honour of St. Francis. Please keep this free and come along to venerate his relic.

First Friday Mass

There will be a change from this First Friday 4th September.

Before both schools came together for the First Friday. This has been the case since I arrived here in St. Peter's. This needs to change because of the numbers of pupils in St. Marks.

And after discussion with both headteachers,
the change will look like this.

4th September (First Friday Mass)

St. Peter's: The Church

St. Mark's: The School

2nd October: (First Friday Mass)

St. Mark's: The Church

St. Peter's: The School

And it continue like this.

Dates for your Diary

2nd September RCIA begins Chapel House at 7pm

24th October Mass of the Sick 10am Mass

7th November Annual Mass for the Dead 10am Mass

800th Anniversary of the Death of St. Francis:

From Friday 25th September to Sunday 4th October. St. Francis' Peace Prayer will be said at the end of every Mass.

Monday 28th September

A Parish Mass for St. Peter's in St. John Olgivie Church 7pm.

Veneration of Relic of St. Francis' at the End of the Mass.

I will celebrate the Mass.

Bus will be available to take you to St. John Olgivie's if you
do not have transport.

List at back of the Church.

Sunday 4th October

Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Blessing of Pets

After 11am Mass

Aid to the Church in Need

**A representative from them will be here next weekend.
The second collection will be taken up for them.**

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Jeremiah laments but cannot fail to speak in God's name.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 63:2-6,8-9

Our souls yearn for God.

Second Reading

Romans 12:1-2

Paul encourages the Romans to stay faithful to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus speaks of his Passion and rebukes Peter for his objection.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel continues the story that began in [last week's Gospel](#). Simon Peter was called the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church, and yet Peter continues to show the limitations of his understanding of Jesus' identity. Now that the disciples have acknowledged that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he must suffer and die in Jerusalem to be raised on the third day. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely, calling

him “Satan.” In opposing this aspect of Jesus’ mission, Peter shows that he is no longer speaking based on the revelation from God but as a human being. Jesus then teaches all of the disciples about the difficult path of discipleship: to be Christ’s disciple is to follow in his way of the cross.

Peter could not yet understand what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah. It is unlikely that the other disciples understood any better. Messianic expectations were a common aspect of first-century Judaism. Under Roman occupation, many in Israel hoped and prayed that God would send a Messiah to free the Jews from Roman oppression. The common view was that the Messiah would be a political figure, a king that would free Israel from Roman rule. This is perhaps what Peter envisioned when he was led to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. In this passage, however, Jesus is beginning to teach his disciples that he would be the Messiah in a different way.

Jesus would be more like the suffering servant described by the prophet Isaiah than the political liberator. Those who would be Jesus’ disciples would be called to a similar life of service. Perhaps this is what Peter feared most in Jesus’ prediction of his Passion. He whom Jesus had called “rock” would also be called upon to offer himself in sacrifice and service to others. Christian leaders today are still called to sacrifice and serve others as Jesus did.

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: B. Cornes

9.30am: T. Kennedy

11am: D. Lee

Eucharistic Ministers

4pm Vigil: M. Kilpatrick, M. Halbert & E. Gold

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

11am: M. McGuire, A. Leabody & 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 Molly Strang, James Clark,
Fr. Michael McLaughlin, Patricia Henderson,
Joanna Maier (Connecticut USA), Therese Gilgunn Tressy
Callaghan, Suzanne McMurray,

Mary Coyle, Lesley Watson (Spain) Maureen McHugh,
Margaret Burke, Marie White, Kathleen Daly,
John McGuire, Jill Brown, Karen Pritchatt,
Louise Newton, Faith Lyndsey, Jill Brown,
Marie McGuire, James Morton, Paul Kearney,
Thomas Daly, Andrew McCluskey,
Premature Baby Vincent McDowell,
Bill Allan, Gudren Berk (Germany),
Jaqueline McReynolds, Mary Morrison, Helen Howarth
(Easterhouse), Margaret Loan, Avril McCluskey,
Carol Corr, Thomas Kennedy, Margaret Park,
Alana Hepburn, Michael Ritchie, and all our sick.

Recently Dead:

David Boreland, Thomas McNutt, Jim McNulty (Wishaw),
Silvio D'Ambrosio, Ruth Leabody,
Patricia Murphy

Month Minds & Anniversaries:

Liz Loughran, Elizabeth Toner, John Corns,
Jim & Jane Lyons, Cathie Power. John Durnian,
Irene Fitzpatrick,

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.

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

