



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL, EAST KILBRIDE

17th Sunday of the Year A, 26th July 2026,
World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
Divine Office Week 1

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HALL BOOKINGS: All Functions at Reasonable Rates - Call 07709 051558

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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday 27th July

09:10 AM – Morning Prayer

09:30 AM – Morning Mass

10:00 AM – Church Cleaning

07:00 PM – Prayer Group (Side Chapel)

Tuesday 28th July

09:10 AM – Morning Prayer

09:30 AM – Morning Mass

10.00 AM Legion of Mary (Meeting Room)

07:30 PM – Legion of Mary (Meeting Room)

Wednesday 29th July

09:10 AM – Morning Prayer

09:30 AM – Morning Mass (*Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus - Memorial*)

02:00 PM & 7.00 PM – Divine Mercy Group (Meeting Room)

Thursday 30th July

09:10 AM – Exposition and Rosary

09:30 AM – Morning Mass (*St Peter Chrysologus – Opt Mem*)

10:30 AM – Tea and Toast (Hall)

Friday 31st July

09:10 AM – Morning Prayer

09:30 AM – Morning Mass (*St Ignatius of Loyola - Memorial*)

Saturday 1st August

09:10 AM – Morning Prayer

09:30 AM – Morning Mass (*St Alphonsus Liguori – Memorial*)

10:00 AM – Confessions

18TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)

05:30 PM - Confessions

06:00 PM - Vigil Mass

Sunday 2nd August

10:00 AM – Sunday Mass[^]

11:30 AM – Sunday Mass[^]

04:00 PM - Sunday Mass

06:30 PM – Bingo Night (Hall)

[^]= Mary's Meals Breakfast Club After Mass

RECENTLY DEAD: Mary Byers,
Theresa Ferguson, Fiona Cheshire,
Elizabeth Bennet, Donna Shaw, Mary
O'Donnell, Shirley Gebbie

ANNIVERSARY William McDermott,
Elizabeth Murphy, Robert Kennedy,
John McKay

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

DD Gift Aid Collection for

June 2026: £2435

Card Reader June: £197

Weekly Plate Collection: £550



Thank you for your support.

You can now donate to the parish using your phone to scan the QR code. If you are a taxpayer, you may also wish to join our Gift Aid scheme at no extra cost. Forms are available from Grace Gordon.

READINGS

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-6a, 7-12

Responsorial Psalm: O LORD, how I love your law!

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30

Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia.*

I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children *Alleluia, alleluia.*

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

6th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly – Feast of St Joachim and St Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. The theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV “I will never forget you” (Is 49:15) – reminds us that God’s unwavering love is the ultimate answer to the isolation and neglect so often experienced by the elderly. It brings comfort and hope, assuring us that the Lord knows each of us personally, forgets no one, and loves us unconditionally even through the frailties of old age.

RCIA Inquiry evening Have you ever considered becoming a Catholic or perhaps you have a friend or a family member who might be searching for a way to deepen their faith? RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which people enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. We have an RCIA team in St Vincent’s and we offer a course which runs weekly from September until Easter. There will be an inquiry meeting here in the church house on Thursday, 20th August at 7pm for those interested in finding out more about what it means to be a Catholic. At this stage and for much of the course this involves inquiry, not commitment. That would come later in the course. Please come along if this is something you have been considering and feel free to bring a friend with you if that would help.

SCIAF Shield 2026

Please see poster in porch for details about how to register for this year’s SCIAF Shield taking place on Saturday 1st August in Glasgow. Perhaps some of our younger men/ women would like to enter a parish 5 a side team to participate. (Up to 8 players in a team) There are still a few spaces remaining. We have parishes signed up from across Scotland including some coming from the Western Isles. Funds raised will go directly towards SCIAF’s Emergency Hunger Appeal and it will hopefully be a lovely (dry) day with activities for children too including bouncy castles and face painting.

A Heartfelt Thank You I would like to express my sincere and heartfelt thanks to the wonderful parishioners of St Vincent’s for your incredible warmth and generosity upon my retirement from the office at St Vincent’s Primary School after 37 years. Thank you so much to everyone who attended the Mass, and for the beautiful cards, thoughtful gifts, and kind prayers I received. It was a truly memorable occasion, and I am deeply touched by your overwhelming kindness. A special thank you to the anonymous parishioner who very kindly paid for the tea and cakes in the hall. A mass will be offered up for all. Thank you, Alice McAneny.

Sunday Homily Tips

Solomon just replaced his father David as king. He was very young and inexperienced, and felt that the burden of kingship was far too heavy for him. But he was also aware that God had showed great loving kindness to his father on account of his uprightness of heart (cf. 1 K 3:6). So, Solomon asked the Lord: “Give your servant an understanding heart to judge your people, a heart able to discern between good and evil” (1 K 3:6). The Lord was pleased with Solomon’s request and said to him: “I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be” (cf. 1 K 3:12). So to follow in Jesus’ footsteps is essentially to strive to grow in wisdom. This wisdom will help you to discover God’s kingdom which is a Treasure, the pearl of the greatest value. Like Solomon let us seek for that wisdom that will lead us into the Kingdom of God.

Society of St Vincent de Paul

All parishioners are warmly invited to join members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for their quarterly Area Mass. On the memorial of St. John Mary Vianney, we gather to pray for the work of the Society, the poor, lonely and sick within our communities. The mass will be held in our parish on

Tuesday 4th August at 7.00 pm

1st Saturday Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima

1st August 9.00 am before morning Mass.

We will pray the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary for world peace and consecrate ourselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. After Mass at 10 am the Litany of Our Lady of Fatima will be prayed and the Salve Regina will be sung. All welcome

Appeal from Parish Marys’ Meals

Sincere thanks to all who support our parish Marys’ Meals Breakfast Café. Special thanks to our sponsors and those who donate, sausage, eggs and potato scones.

Unfortunately, we find we are in need of some items, as follows, if you can help in any way it would be greatly appreciated. Salt, Pepper, Cooking oil, cling film, biscuits, napkins, wash up liquid, coffee, tea, diluting juice, butter, sauces. Many thanks for your kindness and generosity.

Annual Vocations Mass will be held on – Tuesday 25th August at 7.00 pm. In Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral – All welcome

Thank You from Stella Maris for your kind donation of £376 to help support their work

Motherwell Diocese National Pilgrimage to Whithorn
29th to 30th August 2026 from £159 person – see notice-board

Bingo – Sunday Night Bingo for Mary’s Meals and SCIAF is on on Sunday evenings in the church hall at 6.30pm.

Next Loaves & Fishes Collection 1st/2nd August

Parish Pilgrimage 5th – 11th October 2027

To allow more parishioners the option to travel, it has been agreed that the Parish Pilgrimage will now take place in October 2027. Details are as follows: 7 Days Pilgrimage to Rome & San Giovanni Rotondo (home of Padre Pio) £1,494pp | 7 days/6 nights Including return, direct flights with easyJet from Glasgow International Airport. 3* Hotels, Half Board (all breakfast & evening meals). For more information, please contact Katrina Logan (07515 853342) or register your interest on the sign-up sheet in the Church porch. A Pilgrimage Meeting will be scheduled shortly afterwards to start the booking process.

Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life

Bishop John Keenan will lead this pilgrimage at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in Carfin on Saturday 1st August. The pilgrimage will begin at 12 noon with Mass and is expected to finish at about 4.30 pm. Those taking part are asked to bring water and a packed lunch. See posted on notice board.

Web-Cam is operational during services in the church including Baptisms, Funerals, Marriages. The first three rows of seats are visible on the webcam. If you or any member of your family/friends do not wish to be screened on the webcam please do not sit in these rows.