

**PARISH OF THE MOST BLESSED TRINITY
CHURCHES OF ST. STEPHEN AND
ALL SAINTS**

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**The Presentation of the Lord, Year, C
2nd February 2025**

All Saints

Monday 7.30 p.m. Mass/ Novena
Wednesday 9.30 a.m. Mass
Friday 9.30 a.m. Mass

Saturday 4.30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday 9.00 a.m. Ukrainian Mass
Sunday 10.30 a.m. Mass
Sunday 5.30 p.m. Mass

St. Stephen's

Tuesday 10.00 a.m. Mass
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Saturday 5.30 pm. Vigil Mass
Sunday 12.15 p.m. Mass

FEAST DAYS:

Monday 3rd St. Blaise
Wednesday 5th St. Agatha
Thursday 6th St. Paul Miki and Companions
Saturday 8th St. Jerome Emiliani
St. Josephine Bakhita



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: There will be a meeting of all volunteers for All Saints' Children's Liturgy, on Sunday 9th February after the 10.30 a.m. Mass, in the Hall. Please come along, even if you haven't heard from The Diocese. It's just an initial meeting so that we can look at training and the possibility of beginning the Children's Liturgy in the near future. Anyone else who wants to come along who hasn't volunteered, You would be more than welcome because we are always looking for volunteers. Thank you.

WELLSPRING LITURGICAL MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Group in All Saints' Hall on Wednesday evening 12th February at 7.00 p.m. in the upper meeting room.

PARISH WELLSPRING INITIATIVE

Following the Bishop's invitation to the Diocese to begin this pastoral initiative we in The Most Blessed Trinity have embraced with enthusiasm and commitment the areas of liturgy, poverty relief and adult education. In the coming year we hope to develop these areas of pastoral growth and as your Parish Priest I ask your continuing support, prayers and participation in our Wellspring projects. On a personal note as the number of priests continue to fall and the workload falls on the shoulders of clergy who are getting older we depend very much on the help and participation of our parishioners in order to fulfil the church's mission and reach out in pastoral care to others bringing Christ's compassion and love to them.

BANK DETAILS FOR DONATIONS

If you wish you can contribute directly to the parish using these bank details below.

Details of our new Bank Account are as follows:

Sort Code: 80-12-97; Account No: 10245365

Account Name: Holy Trinity & All Saints

If you are already paying by Direct Debit you don't need to do anything, this is only for people who wish to do online banking.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

Online booking is now available for couples preparing for marriage within the Catholic church. The course is on a Saturday from 10.45 a.m. till 3.00 p.m. at St. Augustine's Parish Centre, Coatbridge, ML5 1DQ. Cost £50 per couple, includes all course materials.

Dates for 2025 are: 15 February 2025, 15 March 2025, 12 April 2025, 7 June 2025.

Book your course online now at www.marriagefamilylife.org.

Please book only 1 one day course.

For more information contact Deacon David Harper at info.marriagefamilylife.org.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK is on Tuesday 11th February, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

THE THEME OF THE HOLY YEAR 2025 IS PILGRIMS OF HOPE. "We are organising a Holy Year walking pilgrimage from Motherwell Cathedral to St Andrews, a distance of about 110 miles (175 km). If you are interested, or would like further information, please contact us by emailing j.mckelvie@holyyear2025.org.uk or calling/texting Jim McKelvie on 07957 847290."

WELLSPRING POVERTY RELIEF GROUP

Among the items discussed at our meeting last week were:

Heating Allowance Initiative unfortunately no inquires and this did not seem an effective way to offer help. Suggested we could advertise in MP's / local councillor's surgeries. We suggested getting a list of councillors and setting up an email for inquiries and offers of help. Discussed the iniquitous use of electrical card meters and the added burden and cost this adds to the poorest consumers and the constant threat of it cutting out. This is a common situation the SVDP face.

How to engage agencies for help and advice with debt, accessing benefits and pension credit. We highlighted the need for a leaflet.

Last summer's park event which was well attended and successful. It was observed that many of the children had never been to the seaside and parishes used put on buses for a summer treat. Expense and need of parental oversight might preclude this. Children go free by train in holidays when accompanied by adults. Is this worth looking at? Also spoke about food poverty in the summer holidays, provision of school lunches. Hubs provide this but low uptake. Anything we can do? Hygiene and food safety concerns raised.



FOOD BANK COLLECTION

There will be a collection this weekend 1st/2nd February. for the Food Bank. Thank you for the great devotion you have shown by your response. Just a wee reminder that tinned foods and dried

food products, e.g. tea, coffee, pasta sauce, crisps, are gratefully received together with toiletries and deodorants.

COME AND SEE" (Wellspring Initiative)

We extend to all parishioners a very warm welcome to come explore the treasure of their Catholic faith, to encounter the Lord in a new way and grow in the joy and beauty of their faith on **Tuesday evenings at 7 o'clock in All Saints' Hall.**

PRIZE BINGO: It is hoped to hold a Prize Bingo night in February. Donations of prizes or any unwanted Christmas presents for prizes would be gratefully accepted.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE TODAY

On the Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life, Bishop Toal has invited the religious communities of the diocese to join him for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Evening Prayer in Our Lady of Good of Good Cathedral, Motherwell at 3pm on Sunday 2nd February. All are welcome to join in prayer for the religious of our diocese and pray for vocations to religious life.