

# Welcome to the Parishes of St. Mungo's Alloa and St. Serf's, High Valleyfield

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**Sunday 10th August 2025 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

## SERVICES THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

### **Saturday 9th August**

5 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Confessions in St. Mungo's 6 p.m. Vigil Mass in St. Mungo's (*People of the Parish*)

### **Sunday 10th August** *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*(1st anniversary of Episcopal Consecration of Bishop Andrew McKenzie)*

9.30 a.m. Mass in St. Mungo's (*Maureen Cichanski, RIP*)

11.30 a.m. Mass in St. Serf's (*Donor's Intention AM*)

### **Monday 11th August** *Memorial of St. Clare, Virgin and Martyr*

**NO PUBLIC MASS**

### **Tuesday 12th August** *Memorial of St. Blane, Bishop*

10 a.m. Mass in St. Mungo's (*Donor's Intention PD*) followed by teas in the church hall

### **Wednesday 13th August**

10 a.m. Mass in St. Serf's (*Donor's Intention RK*) followed by teas in the church hall

### **Thursday 14th August** *Memorial of St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr*

**7pm Vigil Mass in St. Mungo's for the Solemnity of the Assumption** (*Bernadette Forsyth, Anniversary*)

### **Friday 15th August** *Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)*

**10 a.m. Mass in St. Mungo's with St. Mungo's Primary** (*People of the Parish*)

**2 p.m. Mass in St. Serf's** (*Alan Rennie RIP*)

### **Saturday 17th August**

5 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Confessions in St. Mungo's

6 p.m. Vigil Mass in St. Mungo's (*Ian Small, Anniversary*)

### **Sunday 18th August** *Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9.30 a.m. Mass in St. Mungo's (*Donor's Intention JR*) 11.30 a.m. Mass in St. Serf's (*People of the Parish*)

## IN YOUR PRAYERS....

**We pray for all who are ill/housebound: in particular we remember:**

Jane Fentiman, Veronica McCluskey, Ann Gray, Richard Donald, Eden Smyth, Maureen Malkiewicz, Matthew Kelly, Brian Bell, Susan Dyball, Lewis McArthur, John Ferguson, Angie Mortimer-Farthing, Fr Martin Smith, Chloe Walmsley, Susan Malcolm, Andrea McGregor, Fr Malcolm Hutchison, Maria Benei, Anne McEvoy.

*Our Lady, Health of the sick, pray for them!*

**We pray for those who have died recently:**

Alan Rennie, Edward Kincaid

**We remember those whose anniversaries fall at this time:**

Deacon David Forsyth, Bernadette Forsyth, Ian Menzies, William Condie, Billy Jepson. Pat Lawlor, Donata Skaraas, Arline Lamb, Eileen McMahan, Kristopher King

*Fidelium animae per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace. Amen*

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

St. Mungo's			St. Serf's		
	27th July	3rd August		27th July	3rd August
Offertory	£726	£510.60	Offertory	£168.85	£312.32
Standing Orders	£315.50	£315.50			
Building Fund		£70			
Hall Donation	£16				
Votive Candles		£96.86			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1057.50</b>	<b>£992.96</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£168.85</b>	<b>£312.32</b>

*Many thanks for your continued generosity to the parishes.  
This weekend there will be special collection for the Bishop's Mensal Fund.*

### ST. MUNGO'S PARISH PICNIC

St. Mungo's Social Group have organised a Parish Picnic which will take place on **Saturday 23rd August from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.** Food will be provided, but to give an idea of how many to cater for, please sign up on the sheet in the porch from this weekend.

### ST. MUNGO'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy will resume in St. Mungo's on **Sunday 17th August** and is open to all children in primaries 1 to 4. Children will be invited at the start of each Mass to come along and participate in a child friendly liturgy of readings, prayers and activities.

### NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO WHITHORN

While there was a strong tradition of pilgrimage to the burial place of St Ninian in Whithorn before the Reformation, only in 1924 was the pilgrimage resumed in its modern form. The National Pilgrimage to Whithorn in honour of St Ninian will take place on **Sunday 31st August**. Mass at St Ninian's Cave will be celebrated at 4 pm by Bishop Frank Dougan and Mass will be celebrated in the parish church of St Martin and St Ninian at 4.45 pm (for those unable to walk to the beach).

### NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN

The National Pilgrimage at the National Shrine to Our Lady of Lourdes, Carfin, will take place on **Sunday 7th September**. As we are in the midst of the Jubilee Year the theme for this year's Pilgrimage will be Pilgrims of Hope. Holy Mass will be celebrated at the Shrine at 3.15 pm, the main Celebrant and Preacher being the Most Rev. Leo Cushley, Archbishop of St Andrews and Edinburgh, who is celebrating his 40th Anniversary as a Priest this year.

Our new Pope, Leo XIV, recently announced that Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, will be canonised on this day in Rome, so it seems an ideal day for the Scottish Catholic Community to come together to joyfully celebrate our faith in communion with Pope Leo and the Universal Church.

### THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will take place from **26th - 28th September 2025** at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. For details contact Maggie on 01389 751677 or email [beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com) You must register before 12th September.

### BACK TO SCHOOL

This week the St. Mungo's pupils return to the classroom followed by St. Serf's the following week. I hope that the staff and pupils have had an enjoyable and restful time and are ready for the new academic year. Best wishes to all those starting school and to those moving on to high school.