

St Ignatius of Loyola

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD – 11th January 2026

	St Ignatius Church	St Thomas Church
Sunday 11th January 2026 The Baptism of The Lord	10:00am Mass 6:00pm Mass	11:30am Mass
Monday 12th January	9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass	No Mass
Tuesday 13th January <i>St Kentigern (St Mungo)</i>	No Mass	9:30am Rosary 10:00am Mass
Wednesday 14th January <i>St Hilary</i>	9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass	No Mass
Thursday 15th January	9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass	6:30pm-6:50pm Confessions 7:00pm Mass
Friday 16th January	No Rosary No Mass	9:30am Rosary 10:00am Mass
Saturday 17th January <i>St Anthony</i>	9:30am Mass 9:55am-10:30am Confessions 3:15pm-3:45pm Confessions 4.00pm Vigil Mass	5:30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 18th January 2026 The 2nd Sunday of the Year	10:00am Mass 6:00pm Mass	11:30am Mass



**CHILDREN'S
LITURGY**

St Ignatius – available
at 10:00am Sunday Mass

St Thomas – available
at 11:30am Sunday Mass

St Ignatius The Loyola Centre: 07759 459988
SSVP St Ignatius - 07763 665852

St Thomas Parish Centre: 07857 134992
SSVP St Thomas - 07592 166154

The Baptism of the Lord

This Sunday, 11th January is the Feast of The Baptism of the Lord, marking the end of Christmastide. The cribs will be put away after the celebrations of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Young people aged 18 years and over group

The next meeting of the Young Peoples' Group takes place this Sunday 11th January 2026 in St Ignatius Chapel House after the 6:00pm Mass at St Ignatius Church. If you and/or anyone you know would like to take part, please come and/or tell them to come along.

Western Catholic Calendar 2026

The Western Catholic Calendar 2026 is available from the Parish Stalls priced £3.50.

The Cribs and St Margaret's Children & Family Care Society

The Cribs remain in place until after the celebrations of The Feast of Baptism of the Lord. All are encouraged to make a special effort to visit the cribs and encourage our children to visit also. As in previous years, all donations left at the Crib in the Church will be forwarded onto St Margaret's Children & Family Care Society, formerly known as St Margaret's Adoption Society. For more information on the work of the Society, please see their website: <https://stmargaretsadoption.org.uk> or Telephone 0141 332 8371.

Activity sheets for Children

A wee reminder, the activity sheets for children in Primary 1 to Primary 4 – Look and Ichthus for children in Primary 5 to Primary 7 are available at all weekend Masses. Coloured pencils are available, please return these to the case provided after Mass.



Offertory Collections – 3rd/4th January –

St Ignatius - £1557.00 St Thomas - £892.20

Thank you once again to everyone who contributes to the Offertory Collections and to all those who make payments direct to the Parishes Bank Accounts.

Second Collection - 3rd/4th January – Justice and Peace Commission

St Ignatius - £886.00 St Thomas - £528.00

Thank you to all those who contributed to the Second Collection last weekend for the Justice and Peace Commission of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland in support for their work for Justice and Peace.

St Andrew's Hospice – Thank You

Both Parishes received a letter of thanks last week from St Andrew's Hospice after the recent donations forwarded to the Hospice after the collections on 6th/7th December. A copy of the letters are on display on the notice boards at the entrances to the Churches. The following is included in the letter: 'I am writing to thank you for your kind donation. The care and support our team deliver wouldn't be possible without YOU! The patients and families we support are so grateful to you for everything you do to bring them comfort and peace – thank you.'

St Andrew's Hospice – Volunteers for shops

Siobhan Keenan, Area Manager of the St Andrew's Hospice shops has contacted to advise that St Andrew's Hospice are currently looking for Volunteers within their shops including their Wishaw Shop. Further information is available on the poster at the entrance to the Church and leaflets are also available.

Bingo Night

A Bingo Night is due to take place on Friday 30th January in The Loyola Centre starting at 7:00pm with eyes down at 7:30pm. It will be a money bingo, tickets priced £10 includes bingo books, tea, coffee and biscuits. BYOB. The night is for Peter Covery a Parishioner at St Ignatius who is part of the Scottish Youth Group of HCPT Scotland and will assist with the cost of his fare to travel this coming Easter 2026 to Lourdes. See poster at the entrances of both Churches for more information including how to obtain tickets.

Diocesan Marriage, Family, and Life Mission

As part of Project **Wellspring** in the Diocese of Motherwell, a Diocesan Marriage, Family and Life Mission has been established. Bishop Toal has written a letter to all Diocesan priests and deacons regarding this additional Mission to **Wellspring**, copies of the letter are available at the entrances to both Churches. Part of the Mission is the identification of parishioners in every parish to establish the Mission in parishes and to represent the parish in the Diocesan Marriage, Family & Life Mission. If you would like to know more about the Mission and/or are interested in becoming an ambassador as described in the letter and the associated information, please take a copy of the letter. Subsequently, if you are interested in becoming an ambassador and/or assisting with the Mission, please speak with Fr Kevin.

Bishops of Scotland and the Catholic Parliamentary Office regarding the establishment of buffer zones within 200 metres around abortion facilities in Scotland

A copy of the Press Release by the Bishops of Scotland and the Catholic Parliamentary Office regarding the establishment of buffer zones within 200 metres around abortion facilities in Scotland is included with your Parish Bulletin this weekend.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

St Ignatius Parish

The sick and housebound:

Kara Louise Jordan; Mary Graham; Alice Ann Bjorn; John Dobbin Jnr;
Rosanna Bulmer; Alfie James Milligan; Joseph Bulmer; Catherine Donnelly; Elaine McCarren;
Laura McIntosh; Helen Woods; Thomas Lally Snr; Peter Convery; Bill Wood; Ciara Loughery;
Nicholas McAnaw; Mary Goodwin; Elizabeth Cooper; Moira McDonald; John Miller; Patrick McEwan;
Kathleen McElhinney; Michael McMullen; Charles Sullivan; Grace Collins; Ellen Campbell;
Baby Archie Thomson; Martin McCallum; Jax Martin.

Deaths: Alice Hynds – Stewarton Street; Kevin Baird – Wishawhill Street; Alex Good.

Months Minds: Catherine (Irene) Smith.

Anniversaries & Remembrances: John & Kate (Ferrie) Mulholland; Jeanie Meechan (nee McNulty); Bobby Tait;
Patricia McShane; Peter Quigley, John McCluskey (Jnr), William Nimmo; Mary Ann Gallen; Patrick McShane.

Christmas Remembrances: Thomas Christopher Young; Sloey Family, Anna & Jim McStay;
Patrick, Elizabeth, Michael, Margaret & Tony Larkin, Rose Lee; Robert & Ethel McKirdy;
Jimmy, Maureen, Jane McKay, Harry, Kathleen & Paul McCabe; Jean Cullen, The Cullen Family,
The Pollock Family, Denis Doyle, Frank Cassidy; Bernard & Mary Morgan & Mairead Cassidy;
Elizabeth & Hugh Devlin, John, Margaret & John Buchanan; William, Bill, Bridget Blair; Robert, Marion &
Eliz. Gallacher; Michael, Flora, Michelle O'Donnel; Mary Ann Dorricott; James King; John & Margaret Higgins, Cathy
Higgins; Larry O'Rourke, Gerry McAleer, Jim Dillon, The Feenan Family,
The Greechan Family, Joseph Feenan; Anne McKidd; Power & Caldwell Family;
Matthew & Teresa Lynch; Sadie, Malcolm and Thomas Gray; Eddie Muir; Betty McSheffrey;
Margaret Haggerty; The Gray Family; The Muir Family; Andrew Ainslie; Elizabeth Ainslie; Ainslie Family; William
Nolan; Catherine Nolan; Peter Murphy; Milda Murphy; Rob Payne; Peter Murphy;
Vincent, Ciaran Reilly; Pat & Nancy McMahon; Joseph, Catherine Reilly; Mary Martinus;
Robert Martinus; Nicky Martinus; Robbie Halliday; Robert Halliday (Sn); Anne Marie Bradshaw;
Peter & Kathryn Reardon; Lorraine Catherine Fitzsimmons; Frank & Ann (Nan) Devine.

St Thomas Parish

The sick and housebound:

Mary Jackson, Derek Somerville, Maria McVitie, Rosaleen Gold, Mary Bradley, George McGowan,
Anna Divito, Josh Hillier, Betty Irvine, Margaret Devlin, Lynn McIntyre, Carl McNulty, Matt Bradley,
Muriel Brown, Thomas Kane, Adam Reilly; Dougie Meechan; Brian Dowling; Jacky Finnegan;
Michael Madden; James Reilly; Pat Shannon; John Cumberton; Maria Brown.

Deaths: Gina Donnelly – Sunart Street; Tony Davidson; Alex Good.

Months Minds:.

Anniversaries/Remembrances: Ann Cumberton; Archie Scott Snr; Norah McGlone; Bernie Reilly;
Margaret Carlin, John Carlin; James Mulheron & Eileen McManus; Patrick, Lyn & Christina MacFarlane.

Christmas Remembrances: Pat & Cissie Lynch, Pat Lynch Jnr, Joseph Lynch Jnr, James McEwan, Walter &
Agnes McEwan, Agnes McQuade, Anne McMenemy, Jean Sharkey;
Emilio & Agnes Di Mambro, Hilda Di Mambro, Frances Quither, Patricia McCash, Joe Albanoski (NY), Joesphine
Bellagamba (NY), Sandy Strang, Agnes O'Hare, Eddie McGeough; George & Jane Higgins, Frank & Susan
Higgins, Joe & Jean Higgins; Moorhead Family, Cooper Family, Anna Henry,
Jean Convery, Linden Family, Peter Linden; George & Elizabeth Lamb & Moira;
Richard, Alice & James McEwan; The O'Neill Family: Tommy, Lizzie, Bernard, Johnny, James Jnr, Teresa Burns;
The Harkins Family: John, Mary, Charles & John; Jimmy & Catherine Malone,
Margaret Anderson, Danny, Rose, Daniel & Roderick Burns; Jim & Anna McStay,
William & Helen McStay; John & Sadie McStay; Elizabeth Baird, Owen & Mattie McCabe,
Donald & Agnes Skiffington, Cathie McMurray, The Sloey Family, Jimmy & Annie Morris,
Elizabeth Morris, Jack Morris, Mary Delaney; John & Betty MacFarlane; John & Rose McCann;
Tommy & Maragret McCann; John McCann; John, Christina, Jimmy, Joe MacFarlane;
John & Rachel Neill; Jim Lynch Sr & Jr; Tome, Eileen & Ashleigh Lennon;
Matthew, Joseph & Grace Steppie & Steppie Family; James, Rachel, Patrick, Eileen O'Malley & O'Malley Family;
Rose & Michael Keenan; Gerry Bradley; Brian O'Neill; Annie Stafford; Jean Kinsella;
Mary Boyden; Phyliss McLaughlin; Margaret McCann; Thomas & Mary McMahon;

POPE LEO'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION – JANUARY

For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God nourishes our lives and brings hope to our communities, building a more fraternal and missionary Church.

Parish Mission Statements – Project Wellspring



St Ignatius

"We want to encourage and support people in the practise of their faith, especially by attending Church, with the aim of helping people to grow in their faith and their relationship with the Trinity; God the Father, Jesus and The Holy Spirit."

St Thomas'

"Our mission is to embrace and share the teachings of Christ, fostering a spiritual community of love, compassion and service. We are dedicated to nurturing faith, empowering our parishioners and extending our reach into the wider community to make a positive impact and promote spiritual growth."

The next meetings of the Parishes' Project Wellspring Co-ordinating Groups are:
St Thomas' - Tuesday 3rd February 2026 at 7:00pm in St Thomas Parish Centre; and
St Ignatius' – Monday 9th February 2026 at 7:00pm in St Ignatius Chapel House.

Diocesan Wellspring Pastoral Forum

The next Wellspring Pastoral Forum takes place on Tuesday 27th January at 7pm in St Joseph's Parish Hall, Blantyre. The Forum forms part of our shared diocesan journey of parish evangelisation, providing an opportunity to gather, listen and reflect together on how the Gospel is being proclaimed in our parishes today. Bishop Toal asks that all parishes are represented, and warmly encourages clergy, parish Wellspring representatives and parish teams to attend.

The Loyola Centre

The works began last Monday, 5th January on the completion of Phase 3 of the reinstatement of The Loyola Centre. Due to requirements for cabins/containers associated with the workers and materials required for the works the current disabled parking spaces will be changed to an alternative place in the car park, temporary signage will be put in place. The next meeting of the Loyola Centre volunteers will take place on Tuesday 10th February at 6:30pm in St Ignatius Chapel House.

Building works – Graham Street – Original St Ignatius Primary School

The Parish has received notice from the North Lanarkshire Council that enabling works will begin this Monday, 12th January on the site of the original St Ignatius Primary School as part of the Council's "new build housing development ... to ensure the site is cleared and secure for a proposed official site start of late January 2026."

200 Club Winners for December

1st Prize – No. 198: Nathaniel Gray, 2nd Prize – No. 180 – Aiden Quinn.

Teas and ... Wednesdays after 9:30am Mass at St Ignatius Church

The teas, coffees and all continues this Wednesday 14th January in The Loyola Centre after the 9:30am Mass.

Parish Social Events in the Loyola Centre

Information about future Parish Social Events will be made available in due course.

Coffee, tea, juices and all after 10am Sunday Mass at St Ignatius Church

The next coffee, tea, juice, sausage on a roll and all, takes place next Sunday 18th January after the 10:00am Mass in The Loyola Centre.

St Thomas' Parish Centre

The following events are planned to take place, please support these as you are able and in doing so the Parish of St Thomas is also supported:

Saturday	January 24 th –	Soul night with Robert McIntosh;
Saturday	February 21 st –	Tom Jones (Robert Leonard);
Saturday	March 14 th –	St Patrick's night; and
Saturday	April 25 th –	Ying Yang

Tickets are available from members of the Parish Centre Committee.

Coffee, tea, juices and all after 11:30am Sunday Mass at St Thomas' Church

The next coffee, tea, juice and all will take place on Sunday 1st February 2026 after the 11:30am Mass.

Wednesday Club – St Thomas Parish Centre

The Wednesday Club continues this Wednesday 14th January 2026 11:30am-2:30pm in the Parish Centre.

St Thomas' SSVP Senior Citizens Party

The annual SSVP Senior Citizens Party will take place this Sunday 11th January 2026, 3:00pm – 7:00pm. Thank you to all who kindly donated prizes for the raffle and to those who organised, prepared and volunteered at the party, it is all greatly appreciated.

St Thomas' SSVP Newsletter

The latest edition of the St Thomas' SSVP Newsletter is available from the entrance to the Church.