

St Leo's Bulletin 19th Sunday 2025

August 10th 2025 5 Beech Avenue, Glasgow G41 5BY. Tel 0141 427 0293 stleothegreat.org.uk [stleothegreatfacebook](https://www.facebook.com/stleothegreatfacebook)
Mass Sunday vigil: Saturday at 6.00p.m. Sunday 10.30 a.m.
Confessions on Saturday at 5.30 p.m. and on request Friday 15th is the Feast of the Assumption and a holy day of obligation. Mass in St Leo's will take place at 10.00



From the Burrell

O God eternal One, who made the universe,
with all that it contains, its nature so diverse,
you gave its stewardship in trust for us to honour, to be just.
Send us your wisdom now. Send us your wisdom now.

We are your servants, Lord, both limited and frail,
pride in mere human skills seems all to no avail;
without the Wisdom you bestow we count as nothing here below.
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Penitential Rite

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the Book of Wisdom 18: 6-9

**‘By the same means by which you punished our enemies you
called us to yourself and glorified us.’**

That night of our liberation was made known beforehand to our fathers, so that they might rejoice in sure knowledge of the oaths in which they trusted. The deliverance of the righteous and the destruction of their enemies were expected by your people. For by the same means by which you punished our enemies you called us to yourself and glorified us. For in secret the holy children of good people offered sacrifices and with one accord agreed to the divine law, that the saints would share alike the same things, both blessings and dangers; and already they were singing the praises of the fathers.

The word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32

Response

Blessed are the ones he has chosen.

The word of the Lord is faithful, we trust him in all he does.
The Lord loves justice, justice and fairness, he fills the earth,
he fills the earth, he fills the earth with his love.

Blessed are the ones he has chosen.

By his word the heav'ns were made;
the breath of his mouth made the stars.
The Lord looks on those, those who revere him, on those who
hope, on those who hope, on those who hope in his love.

Blessed are the ones he has chosen.

And so we await the Lord, the Lord is our help and shield.
We trust that your love will be upon us, we place all our hope, we
place all our hope, we place all our hope in you.

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A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 11: 1-2,8-19

**‘He was looking forward to the city whose designer and
builder is God.’**

Brothers and Sisters: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised.

Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, 'Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.' He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.

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To welcome the Gospel

Alleluia Stay Awake

Response

Al - le - lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Stay a -

wake and stand read - y for you do not know the hour when the Son of man is

com - ing. Stay a - wake! You do not know!

Verse

D.C.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 12: 32-48

‘You also must be ready.’

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with money bags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does

not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

‘Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service, and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

Peter said, ‘Lord, are you telling this parable for us or for all?’ And the Lord said, ‘Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions. But if that servant says to himself, “My master is delayed in coming”, and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and get drunk, the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know, and will cut him in pieces and put him with the unfaithful. And that servant who knew his master’s will but did not get ready or act according to his will, will receive a severe beating. But the one who did not know, and did what deserved a beating, will receive a light beating. Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more.’

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to & including "and became man", we bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead

& his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

& I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,

& the life of the world to come. Amen

Intercessions

During the Preparation of the Gifts

You alone are holy, and you alone are Lord,

and you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Glory to the Father, glory to the Son,

glory to the Holy Spirit now and for ever. Amen.

St Andrew Sanctus, Memorial, Lamb of God ...

Communion

Seek the Lord, bless the Lord, taste and see the Lord is good.

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Hymn

O Jesus Christ, remember, when thou shalt come again,
upon the clouds of heaven, with all thy shining train;
when every eye shall see thee in deity revealed,
who now upon this altar in silence art concealed.

Remember then, O Saviour, I supplicate of thee,
that here I bowed before thee upon my bended knee;
that here I owned thy presence, and did not thee deny;
and glorified thy greatness, though hid from human eye.

After Mass:



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Morning Hour at 7.00 : repeated hourly until 12.00

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7.00: Morning Prayers

7.15: Morning Prayer with children of Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School
with 'O we're on the road with Jesus' by Catriona Glen

Looking ahead to the 20th Sunday of the year Canon Bob Hill reflects on Luke 12: 49-53 and the Journey to Jerusalem. Margaret Chapman introduces the daily readings for Mass
Prayer for for peace at Faslane Nuclear Base:
8.30: magazine: Archbishop Eamon Martin's homily on the 3rd of August 2025. Pope Leo XIV addresses the Mass for the Jubilee of Young People at Tor Vergata in Rome. Hibernian FC mark 150 years.

Lunchtime hour

12.00/1.00/6.00/7.00: Captains Les and E mama Heal lead us in our Glasgow Churches Together service this week
12.15/1.15/6.15/7.15: The office of reading for 10th August with passages from Hosea 11 and from St Catherine of Siena's 'On Divine Providence.'
12.30/1.30/6.30/7.30: Chatterbox

2.00 - 5.-00 : music hours

evening hour at 8.00 - repeated at 9.00 and 10.00

8.00: vespers of the week

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Commentary on the Psalm 32 by Dr Noel Donnelly

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This psalm has a special word for the instrumentalists: here the harp and the lyre are mentioned as symbolic of all the players in the group. But they are encouraged to play skilfully and to remember they are playing "for the Lord" and not for their own satisfaction. (verse 2).

The song of praise is addressed to the congregation and it is called "a new song". This doesn't mean it has never been sung before; the newness means a renewal of everyone being gripped by a sense of wonder at the majesty of God our creator.

Remarkably this is the only psalm that sings about God creating by his Word. The link with Genesis is obvious. "In the beginning was the Word", or in the beginning was God's creative dialogue with humanity, a Word that in time will become flesh and dwell among us and still speak to us today.

Verse 16 leaps out as a warning to those in power today: "A King is not saved by the greatness of an army; a warrior is not delivered by the greatness of his military prowess! The horse is a vanity when it comes to salvation!" Some of us will be concerned by the expensive vanity of our nuclear prowess!

Our psalm concludes with a prayer for hope. Hope of course doesn't mean closing our eyes and just letting the future come along. Hope for the psalmist means putting our future in God's hands and moving confidently forward hand in hand with the Lord guiding our steps.

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[Notre Dame gathering at Kelvingrove on 15 August](#)



Everything is looking good for our 2025 gathering at Kelvingrove Art Galleries, ten years since we first got together to celebrate the installation of the Harry Clarke window.

On Friday 15th August 2025, at about 1.35pm, immediately following the organ recital, we'll congregate at the Harry Clarke window on the first floor – to the left of the organ console – where we will join Anne Morgan with her violin to sing the Salve Regina

As always, there will be plenty of opportunity for further socializing over tea, coffee and cake in the café. Do pass info to others you are in touch with and come along if you're free!

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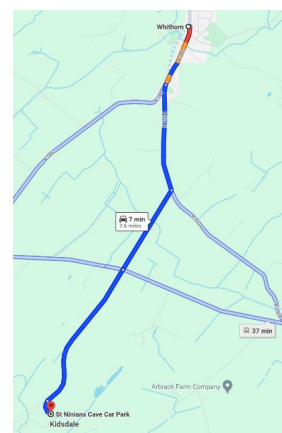
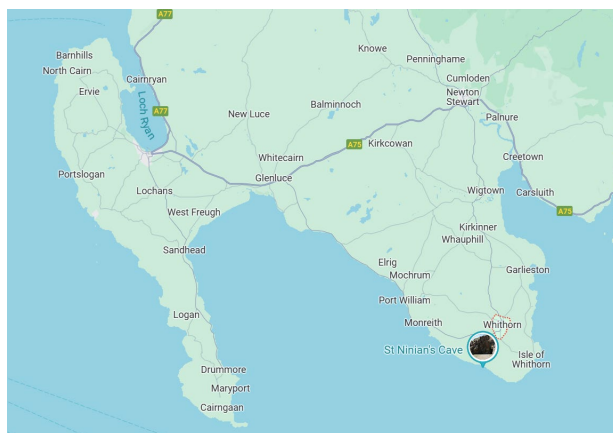
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**NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO SAINT NINIAN'S CAVE
SUNDAY 31st AUGUST 2025**

On the last Sunday of August each year, a Galloway diocesan pilgrimage to St Ninian's Cave, Whithorn takes place and Mass is celebrated on the shore at Port Castle Bay where Saint Ninian is said to have retreated for prayer. St Ninian, son of a Roman chieftain, was ordained bishop in Rome and returned to proclaim the Gospel in south west Scotland around 397.

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.

Mass will be celebrated outdoors on the beach of Port Castle Bay at 4 pm on Sunday 31st August 2025. The principal celebrant will be Bishop Frank Dougan, Saint Ninian's successor, and he will be joined by other bishops and priests from Scotland. A well-established footpath about one mile long takes you through the glen to the shore, and to be in place for Mass at 4 pm it is recommended to begin the walk by 3 pm. Pilgrims are invited to visit the church of St Martin and St Ninian in Whithorn on the way to the beach. The Sacrament will also be available on request by approaching a priest on the shore or in the town before Mass begins.



The walking path to St Ninian's Cave begins about 2½ miles from Whithorn village. There are signposts on the B7004 road for St Ninian's Cave. There is ample parking for cars and coaches. Stewards will be on hand to direct the parking. Portable toilets are available at the car park. Strong shoes should be worn for walking through the glen and on the pebble shore. Suitable clothing should be worn according to the weather since the congregation will not be under cover. First aid will be available.

For those unable to walk to the shore, Mass will also be celebrated at 4.45 pm in the Church of St Martin and St Ninian in Whithorn village. The celebrant will be Bishop Joseph Toal.

There are some small cafes and tearooms in Whithorn village but you may wish to bring a packed lunch. There are public toilets on the approach to the Priory, and portable ones behind the church of St Martin and St Ninian.

The Whithorn Trust operates a visitors centre which will be open on the day of the National Pilgrimage and more information can be found at www.whithorn.com. A visit to the centre includes the chronological story of the development of Whithorn, the upper Gallery “Whithorn Cold Case” exhibition and special exhibition “Face to Face with Whithorn’s Bishops”, now including facial reconstructions of Bishops Henry and Walter and the magnificent Whithorn Crozier; the ticket also includes access to the Iron Age roundhouse reconstruction via guided tour, and the Historic Environment Scotland Museum of early mediaeval carved stones. The ruins of the medieval cathedral are behind the Whithorn Trust visitors centre.

Parishes bringing a group of pilgrims, especially if travelling by minibus or coach, are asked to register their group by contacting whithorn25@rcdg.org.uk. Should anyone need further information, please email the same address.

Social Events at St Leo's

Sunday, 10 Aug 2025
Sunday Mass at 10.30am
Saturday Vigil at 6.00pm

The Garden

I am sure you will all have noticed how much tidier the front of the garden is. Gerry is planning to cut back a lot more of the greenery around the parking area.

The issue is the removal of all these cuttings. There is much more than the church bins can contain. We'd really appreciate it if some helpful parishioners could take some bagfuls away to the dump or their own bins even. Gerry will pile it up and you could just pop in whenever and take what you can. The last time I made a similar request everything magically disappeared.... here's hoping.



Gerry

Fr Gerry



is making good progress and is eating well.

He is very keen to get back to normal service!

Please continue to pray for him.



Pope Leo on Twitter

@ Pontifex

6 Aug 2025



Every act of willingness, every gratuitous act, every gesture of forgiveness given in advance, every effort patiently accepted, is a way to create an environment where God can dwell.

Sun-day	Tea Rota
10	Aine and Sandra
17	Anne Marie, Pat and Rosemary
24	Lesley and Eileen
31	Margaret, Cathy and Rebecca
Sep 7	Maria and Lawrence
14	Jacqui and Lorraine
21	Catherine and Senga
28	Mary and Paul
Oct 5	Thara and Rosemary



Foodbank

Tinned meats perhaps ?

Thankyou



Intercessions

We pray for the Church and the world that we are called to care for, pray for and support.

Lord near us

We pray for peace everywhere especially in the Holy Land, Gaza, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Ukraine.

We pray for sick people among our families and our friends, in the local Hospice and in our parish including Mary Havana, Francis McColl, Clark Dunlop, Kirsty Macdonald, Eileen McLean, Caroline Mills, Yvonne Watt and Maureen McKean.
Lord, hear us

Let's pray for those who have died recently including Joseph Fitzpatrick and Fr Hugh O'Donnell,
And for those whose anniversaries fall about now:
Including Mary Feehan, Josephine Smith, Brother Douglas Welsh, Geraldine Anderson, Bridget Devlin, Jack Martin, Mark Moscardini,, Paul Devine, John Lanigan, Erna and Martin Harrison, John King, and Rena Moscardini.