

FOR WE LIVE BY  
*faith*  
NOT BY  
*sight*  
2 CORINTHIANS 5:7



19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
YEAR C

6th-7th August

*A Parish of the Diocese of  
Motherwell.*

*The Bishop:*

*Rt. Rev. Joseph A. Toal*

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*ENTRANCE  
ANTIPHON*

**Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.**

Psalm 19.22-23

*COMMUNION  
ANTIPHON*

**O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.**

Psalm 147.12

*Thank you for the £456.40 you donated to Stella Maris to mark Sea Sunday.*

Dates for your diary: The **Diocesan Vocations Mass** will be in the Cathedral on Tuesday 30th August at 7pm.

The **Motherwell Lourdes Day**, with the Motherwell Lourdes Hospitality and the Knights of St Columba, will be at Carfin on Sunday September 4th with Mass at 3pm. The Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated during Mass.

The **National Pilgrimage to Carfin** will be on Sunday 25th September with Mass at 3pm. The Pilgrimage will mark the Centenary of Carfin Grotto, and will be in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette, whose Relics will arrive at Carfin the day before.

*Resources for prayer and reflection are available on the diocesan website [www.rcdom.org.uk](http://www.rcdom.org.uk). Go to Synod 2021-23 and click Synodality and Spirituality. As we relax during these days of August, let's take time out to explore our Catholic faith and spirituality in order to refresh our prayer life and discover the great riches of our tradition.*

1st Readings: **Wisdom 18.6-9**: This passage recalls the events of the first Passover when the children of Israel escaped the slavery of Egypt. They were ready and prepared for God's action.

Response to the Psalm:  
**Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.**

2nd Readings: **Hebrews 11.8-19**: The author reflects on Abraham and Sarah to show that only faith can guarantee the blessings we hope for.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Gospel: **Luke 12.32-48**: Both these parables in their different ways remind us that we must live out our lives "until the Lord comes again." We must be watchful and awake in how we live our lives so that we don't become enmeshed in the cares of life or coarsened in our relationships with others.



**HYMNS:**

**Entrance 972**

**Offertory Music**

**Communion 865**

**Exit 862**

*The Simple Prayer Book is now again on sale in our shop.*

Pope Francis' prayer intention for August: *For small businesses* —

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

June's Lucky Numbers Draw: 1st No 38 Dennis Boyle £125; 2nd No 11 Maureen McFarlane £75; 3rd No 29 William Chapman £50. Please contact Eddie Kelly at [treasurer@stathanasiuscarluke.org](mailto:treasurer@stathanasiuscarluke.org) for your winnings.

Berkshire Youth Choir, who feature in this year's Edinburgh Festival, will be performing in concert in St Patrick's Shotts on Monday 22nd August at 7pm. There is free entry to this event with any donations going to the parish. See the posters on the noticeboard.

*St Athanasius' Rambling Group meet each 3rd Sunday of the month. The pick up point is Mount Stewart St at the church. If you would like to join, please contact Anne McCauley on 01555 772019 or Anne Milne on 07729 600438. A great and inexpensive way for young families to have a wonderful day out.*



*We hope there will be a full programme of social events in the hall once summer is over. In preparation, would you bring along gifts, bottles and other items for the various events? We are now looking for a new bar manager. The application form is on our website and also posted on the noticeboard.*

**The Beginning Experience**, for those who have lost a loved one through divorce, separation, or death, next meet 30th September-2nd October in the Conforti Institute, Coatbridge. See the noticeboard for details.

*If you know of anyone who is looking for some quality used furniture, please contact one of our SVP group. There is further information on the noticeboard.*

**SUNDAY TAKEAWAY:** We come to God not by doing it right, but by doing it wrong. And yet the great forgiveness is to forgive ourselves for doing it wrong. That's probably the hardest forgiveness of all: that I'm not perfect, that I'm not unwounded, I'm not innocent. "One always learns one's mystery at the price of one's innocence." If I want to maintain an image of myself as innocent, superior, righteous, or saved, I can only do that at the cost of truth. I have to reject the mysterious side, the shadow side, the broken side, the unconscious side of almost everything.

The art of letting go really is the way to heaven because when we fall down there to the bottom, we fall on solid ground, the great foundation. . . . On that foundation where we have nothing to prove, nothing to protect, we have met the enemy and the enemy is us. I am who I am who I am, and for some unbelievable reason, that's what God has chosen to love. . . .

*Fr Richard Rohr OFM*

**HOLY MASS: Vigil of Sunday:** Saturday, 6pm; **Sunday:** 11am. **Monday-Friday:** 10am. **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** **Saturday** 5.30–5.55pm and on request.

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