



# ST. MARY, STAR OF THE SEA

Leith, Edinburgh, Scotland

09 OCTOBER 2022 | 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

### DIARY DATES THIS WEEK

- 09 October Sunday **Tea/ Coffee** in the **Parish Hall** after Mass
- 10 October Monday - **NO MASS**
- 11 October Tuesday - **Funeral Mass** for **Douglas Campanile**, 12PM
- 13 October Thursday - **Leith Churches Together**, United Reform Church, Duke Street, 1PM
- 14 October **Friday Lunches**
- 17 October Monday - **NO MASS**
- 22/23 October Saturday/Sunday **Special Collection for Missio**
- 24 October Monday **NO MASS**  
**PPC Meeting**, 7PM
- 29/30 October Saturday/Sunday **Mission Appeal** by Fr Peter for **Let the Children Live**

Please see Notice Board in the Church Porch for Notices.



**“Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?”**

**-Jesus (Luke 17:17-18)**

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(1st Reading: 2Kings 5:14-17; Psalm 97; 2nd Reading: 2Timothy 2:8-13; Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19)

Grace pours forth liberally from God’s providence. Human indifference to such generosity does not stop the flow of grace. But a *response of gratitude* makes the difference of opening wide the human heart and disposing it to receive more. Indeed, the Samaritan leper, upon returning to give thanks, receives more than the other healed lepers who ungratefully walked away. He receives from Jesus a full declaration of salvation— *your faith has saved you*, which is equivalent to being raised to new life— *get up*.

With this resurrection mandate, Jesus sends the Samaritan with an assurance of being a *new person*. Ironically, the Jewish lepers—descendants of *Judah*, whose name means *praise*—fail to live up to their ancestor’s name when they omit the *praise* due to God. Unlike the Samaritan who gratefully comes back, they miss the *supplemental grace* that goes beyond physical healing.

Sr Bernardita Dianzon, FSP

### MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY:

This October being the Month of the **HOLY ROSARY**, we pray the Holy Rosary **20 minutes before Mass each day.**



**“SAY THE ROSARY EVERY DAY TO OBTAIN PEACE FOR THE WORLD...”  
-OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

### MASS INTENTIONS

08 October	Saturday	6:00PM	People of the Parish	Special Intentions
09 October	Sunday	10:30AM	Steve Forrest	Special Intention
			Alice Smith	Anniversary
10 October	Monday	12:00PM	<b>NO MASS</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
11 October	Tuesday	12:00PM	DOUGLAS CAMPANILE	FUNERAL MASS
12 October	Wednesday	12:00PM	Paul Frenandes	Month’s Mind
13 October	Thursday	12:00PM	Patricia Brannan	Anniversary
14 October	Friday	12:00PM	Michael Hand	Anniversary

**PLEASE ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:**  
Sanitising of hands on Entry and Exit from Church.

**FACE COVERINGS ARE NO LONGER A LEGAL REQUIREMENT IN CHURCH.**

**HOWEVER, WE WOULD ASK THAT PEOPLE PLEASE RESPECT THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO WISH TO CONTINUE TO WEAR A FACE COVERING.**

**NO OVER 60's GET-TOGETHER this TUESDAY, 11th OCTOBER**

## SUNDAY TEA/ COFFEE:

Sunday Tea/ Coffee now is every week after Mass. Please come along and get re-acquainted with "Old friends." Thanks to the Team.

## MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS – NOVEMBER LIST

As you know the month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls.

Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

Please enclose your list and donation and return them to the Parish Office.

Alternatively, pop them in the collection bag at Mass, once recorded these will be placed in the basket to be put on the Sanctuary on the 1st November.

**SOCIAL GROUP:** We are looking for new members to join our Social Group, if you are interested, please see Richard Bee or hand your details into the Parish Office and they will be passed onto Richard.

## COME & BUY TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PARISH

Come and see what is on offer on our stalls. Many brand-new items and some nearly new. Many different varieties of goodies on show; from candles, slippers, clothes, toys, books, office, children's, bric-a-brac and many other bargains.

Thank you for your support. See you there.

## FRIDAY LUNCHES

**Friday Lunches** this Friday 14th October after Mass.

Please come along and enjoy a filled roll, cake/biscuits and a cuppa for £2.50.

Thanks again to the team.

Please remember that some of us still feel anxious about returning to Mass and having someone sitting close to us.

**IF YOU SEE A "PLEASE RESPECT MY SPACE" CARD on the seat, please ensure you leave a gap.**

The Cards are available at the Sanitising Table and place on the seat beside you.

Let us continue to work together to keep everyone safe.



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## OMI NEW SUPERIOR GENERAL & POPE FRANCIS:

Pope Francis kissing the Oblate Cross of St Eugene de Mazenod during the Audience of Fr Luis Ignacio Rois Alonso, OMI after his Election as the 14th Superior General of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate (OMI) congregation. The Oblate Superior General by tradition keeps with him the Oblate Cross of the Oblate Founder.

## CHANGES to the OBLATE TEAM at ST. MARY, STAR OF THE SEA, Leith

**Fr. Oliver Barry, OMI, Provincial Superior has made the following changes to the Oblate Team in Leith:**

Fr. Martin Moran, OMI, Parish Priest has been assigned to the Oblate Parishes in Inchicore, Dublin. Fr. Martin will move from Leith in mid-November.

Fr. Irvin Morastil, OMI has been appointed Vocations Director for the Anglo-Irish Province, this comprises of Scotland, Ireland, Wales, England and Denmark. He will be based in the Oblate Community, De Mazenod Retreat Centre, Tower Hill, London. Fr. Irvin will move from Leith first week of November.

We wish Frs. Irvin and Martin every blessing and we thank them for their time with us over the past three and six years respectively.

Fr. John Mc Fadden, OMI has been appointed as Superior and Parish Priest of Leith. We warmly welcome Fr. John and look forward to renewing his friendship.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING DATES: Online Induction Training Part 1**

Wednesday 12th **October** at 7PM; Saturday **12th November** at 10AM and  
 Wednesday **14th December** at 7PM with Margaret Andow.

To register, email [margaret\\_andow@outlook.com](mailto:margaret_andow@outlook.com)

Please provide details of your name, parish and role.

**On-line Induction Part 2: Training should currently be done approx. 18 months after Level 1 or Induction Part 1 Training has been completed.**

Saturday **15th October** at 10AM and Saturday **5th November** at 10AM with Julie Brechin.

To register please email— [Julie.brechin@staned.org.uk](mailto:Julie.brechin@staned.org.uk)

Please note that Safeguarding Training currently only needs to be done by **Volunteers** who are in a regulated role requiring a PVG.

If you have not already completed the above Training, (whether your Ministry is active at the moment or not), you must book onto one of the above.

**Please remember you should not start your Ministry until you have completed Part 1 Induction Training.**

**OPPOSED ASSISTED SUICIDE:** Care Not Killing (CNK), supported by the Catholic Parliamentary Office, has launched a petition which aims to stop plans to legalise assisted suicide. This bill risks undermining the provision of palliative care and efforts to prevent suicide. It may make the most vulnerable people, including the elderly and disabled, feel like a burden. The current law is the safeguard - it prohibits assisting someone's suicide and/or killing them by euthanasia, but the new law will eliminate this safeguard. The state ought to support the provision of care, not deliberate killing. Please sign the petition at church today. Alternatively, sign online at [www.carenokilling.scot](http://www.carenokilling.scot)

**ROMERO LECTURE 2022: The Life, Loss & Legacy of Romero.** The inaugural Romero Lecture will take place at Sacred Heart Church on Friday 14 October. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop William Nolan at 6pm, followed by the Romero Lecture by Fr Martin Maier SJ at 7pm, introduced by Archbishop Leo Cushley. More information at [edinburghjesuit.org.uk/ejc](http://edinburghjesuit.org.uk/ejc)

**TALK WITH ARCHBISHOP CUSHLEY:** The Edinburgh Jesuit Centre at Sacred Heart Parish in Lauriston, Edinburgh, is hosting a series of conversations with people who work at the interface of faith and politics. On Wednesday 12 October at 7pm, Fr Adrian Porter SJ will be in conversation with Archbishop Leo Cushley about the work and influence of the diplomatic service of the Holy See.

More at [edinburghjesuit.org.uk/ejc](http://edinburghjesuit.org.uk/ejc)

**40 Hours' Devotion Schedule**

- 09 October, Our Lady of the Waves, Dunbar
- 16 October, The Holy Cross, Trinity
- 30 October, St Joseph's, Burntisland and St Albert's, Edinburgh
- 06 November, Our Lady and St Bernadette, Larbert
- 13 November, St Barbara's, Whitburn

A full Parish schedule for the 40 Hours' Devotion is at [bit.ly/40hoursschedule](http://bit.ly/40hoursschedule)

**EXPERIENCED MARRIAGE COUNSELLORS NEEDED:**

The Bishops' Conference of Scotland seeks to increase the availability of marriage counselling to support those married in the Catholic Church. It is looking for experienced marriage counsellors to get involved. CPD training provided. Please contact 07706 063936

**ALL SOULS' DAY:** Archbishop Cushley will offer Holy Mass for the repose of all the faithful departed who have died in the Archdiocese in the last year, especially those buried at Mount Vernon Cemetery. This will take place at 10am on Wednesday 2 November (All Souls' Day) in the Mount Vernon Cemetery Chapel.

**Anniversaries from our Deceased Book Week beginning 9th October, 2022**

- May Smith,
- Alice Smith,
- Thomas Moriarty,
- Peter Rennie,
- John Gordon Stanton,
- Malcolm Dick,
- Mary (Mollie) O'Dwyer,
- Eric Thurton,
- Christine Cairns,
- Vincent Smith,
- Lizzie Hand,
- Margaret Murphy,
- Anna Bethune,
- Agnes Smith,
- John Hughes,
- Hayden Richard Harris,
- Francis Joseph Curran,
- Lizzie Massaro,
- Allison Lennon,
- Margaret Henderson,
- Michael McClellan

*Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal*



[sympathymessageideas.com](http://sympathymessageideas.com)

**ANNUAL MASS FOR THE DECEASED**

This will take place on Wednesday 2nd November at 7pm. If you have a loved one who has passed away in the last year (who resided out with the Parish) and would like their names included on the list, please let us know.

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Kathy Barclay, Parish Administrator  
Fr Irvin Morastil, OMI  
Fr. Martin Moran, OMI

## MASS TIMES AND OTHER SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS:

MASSES: Tuesday-Friday 12PM (Also Livestreamed on Facebook)

**NO MASS on MONDAY**

Saturday 6PM Vigil Mass

Sunday 10:30AM (Also Livestreamed on Facebook)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Friday 11:30-11:55AM (Also Livestreamed on Facebook)

OTHER SACRAMENTS: (By Appointment)

## SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS:

<https://archedinburgh.org/administration/safeguarding>

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Advisor: Mrs Emma Boothroyd

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Phone: 0131 623 8949

Webpage: [bit.ly/ArchSafeguarding](http://bit.ly/ArchSafeguarding)

Parish Safeguarding Coordinator is Kathy Barclay.

If you have any queries/concerns please do not hesitate to contact us: 07795 386636

## IN GRATITUDE -Fr. Ronald Rolheiser, OMI

As a columnist, I've always harboured a certain paranoia about being overly-personal or exhibitionistic in my writing or in thinking that my own emotional ups and downs are of interest to others. I have tried to respect that fear. Occasionally, however, circumstance dictates that I do write something more personal. This is such an occasion. I want to express my gratitude for all the prayers and support that I have received during these past seven months while undergoing treatments for cancer. That desert-journey has finally ended, and with a good result. A month ago, I finished my last chemotherapy treatment and, two weeks ago, after a battery of medical tests, was pronounced "cancer-free". To God, family, friends, colleagues, and to the many of you who have supported me in prayer: Thank you!

John Updike, in a poem entitled, Fever, once wrote about what illness might teach us:

I have brought back a good message from the land of 102 degrees:

God exists. I had seriously doubted it before; but the bedposts spoke of it with utmost confidence, the threads in my blanket took it for granted, the tree outside the window dismissed all complaints, and I have not slept so justly for years.

It is hard, now, to convey how emblematically appearances sat upon the membranes of my consciousness; but it is truth long known, that some secrets are hidden from health.

Indeed some secrets are hidden from health! What secrets did I learn from my loss of health?

The initial diagnosis of cancer caught me by surprise and for a time left me mostly numb and frightened. But, after having surgery and having the projected treatment (six months of chemotherapy) and the projected long-term prognosis (good chance for a cure) explained to me, I prayerfully laid out a number of conversion-steps that I hoped this illness and its bitter treatment would conscriptively impose on me.

I resolved to make this time of treatment a grace in my life: I would slow down my life, not just during treatment but forever afterwards. I would learn to be more patient. I would be rigorously faithful to a daily practice of contemplative prayer. I would no longer take life, love, friendship, and health for granted, but would finally, after years of failed resolutions, begin to live more inside of the wonder of God and life and not have my energy so absorbed by the demands of work and agenda.

What happened? Old habits die hard, even under the pressure of illness.

After six months of treatments, on my better days, I sense some modest improvement. Some of my resolutions have borne fruit, but I'm still a long ways from the ideals that I had set for myself. My old habits have been quick to reassert their grip on my life.

But life is what happens to you while you are planning your life, so too conversion. Having cancer taught me some lessons other than the ones I had planned. Most important among these was this: Like everyone else in this world, I have always wanted joy in my life – friendship, love, celebration. But, and this has been the big handicap in finding these, I have always (however unconsciously) felt that the joy and celebration I so longed for could only come my way when I was finally free from all anxiety, emotional tension, pressure, overwork, illness, frustration, and stress of all kinds.

We nurse this strange fantasy that it is only after all our bills are paid, our health is perfect, all tensions within our families and friendships are resolved, and we are in a peaceful, leisured space that can finally fully enter life and enjoy it. In the meantime, we put our lives on hold as we perpetually gear up, get ready, and wait for that perfect moment to arrive where we can finally rejoice within life.

While undergoing cancer treatments I learned something. When I first started the treatments I began marking a calendar – day one, day two, day three – consciously putting my life on hold, putting myself into a posture of waiting, marking away the days until, in my fantasy, the treatments ended and I could live life again. But, strangely, as the days unfolded, to my own surprise, I found that I was living through one of the richer and happier periods in my life.

Inside of the tiredness, nausea, and neuropathy, I was finding a rich enjoyment in friendships, colleagues, work, and (on days when I could actually taste them) food and drink. The six months within which I was undergoing cancer treatment, turned out to be, to my own surprise, six happy and deeply meaningful months.

As John Shea puts it: Life includes suffering. When you are spending all your energies to only rejoice in that part of life that does not include suffering, you will not enter into life because you will be dominated by fear and exclusion and not faith.

Cancer taught me this lesson and, for that and your prayers, I am most grateful.