

LITURGY OF THE WORD, YEAR C

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21–23 All things are vanity!

Psalms 95 (94) 'O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Colossians 3:1–5, 9–11 In Christ you have died. In Christ you have been raised up.

Luke 12:13–21 Avoid greed in all its forms.

Today's readings are a wonderful antidote to our culture's attitude that the accumulation of material wealth should be everyone's goal. This notion is 'Vanity of vanities,' for what guarantee is there that you will ever be able to enjoy all the wealth you worked for? Greed is idolatry, Paul says in the next reading; instead seek what is above. After all, Jesus points out in the Gospel, the rich man is a fool for thinking he can control the rest of his life through wealth. May today's readings offer a strong argument against the worship of material possessions.

CALENDAR

Monday, 1st August	Memorial of St Alphonsus Liguori
Thursday, 4th August	Memorial of St John Mary Vianney
Saturday, 6th August	The Transfiguration of the Lord

BOOKSTALL

Please pick up the special summer edition of the Archdiocesan journal, *Flourish* (free of charge). Please also support the fortnightly magazine, *The Scottish Catholic* (only £2). Our *Guide Book* tells the story of the Cathedral and guides the visitor on a tour of its awe-inspiring features (£2). Cards, gifts and devotional items are also available. Place your donation in one of the deposit boxes marked '**Bookstall Items.**'

OFFERINGS

Regular worshippers, please consider making your offerings by standing order. Details from the Cathedral Office (address on front page).

Gift Aid: If you are a parishioner, a regular or even an occasional visitor please consider using gift aid for your donations. This adds 25% to your contribution, as we can reclaim the tax you pay to HMRC. To do this, you should fill in a Gift Aid form (available in the sacristy) and obtain some of our Blue regular GA envelopes. If you require more envelopes, please speak to Fr. Sharkey. To make a one off donation, please use a yellow Gift Aid envelope, available in the pews, and fill in the details required on the front. If you have questions please speak with Fr Sharkey or email the parish office, cathedral@rcag.org.uk.

STREAMING

Watch Cathedral services online—see link at www.cathedralG1.org



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SAINT ANDREW'S METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL

Parish founded in 1792. Church opened in 1816

31st July 2022

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR. C

*"What profit comes from toil
and anxiety?"*

Ecclesiastes 2:22



SUNDAY MASS	Vigil 5.15pm, 10.00am, 12.00 noon, 5.15pm.
MASS MON—SAT	1pm each day; 5.15pm on Monday, Friday and Saturday.
CHURCH OPENING HOURS	The Cathedral will be open by 9.30am each day and close after the latest Mass of the day e.g. Monday: 9.30am to 6pm; Tuesday: 9.30am to 1.45pm.
CONFESSIONS	Please see information inside bulletin.
PRAYER & DEVOTION	Our usual devotions will resume as soon as possible.
CATHEDRAL CLERGY	Canon Gerald Sharkey, Fr. Chiedo Ezeribe, <i>Fr Joseph Walsh</i>
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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

This church was built in 1816 to serve Glasgow's rapidly expanding Catholic population. Following the restoration of the Catholic Hierarchy of Scotland in 1878, St Andrew's became the Cathedral of the restored Archdiocese of Glasgow. In April 2011 a major renovation was completed, providing the Cathedral with fresh décor, artwork and an innovative cloister garden. Today it is a popular city church, offering tranquillity for busy lives, as well as a fitting venue for the important liturgical events of the Archdiocese. Thank you for your presence and for your support.

A time of change: Canon Sharkey will be leaving the Cathedral at the beginning of September to take up a new position as parish priest of Our Holy Redeemer and St. Margaret's, Clydebank. Canon Andrew MacKenzie, currently parish priest at St. Joseph's, Tollcross will become the new Administrator of the Cathedral.

Due to ongoing health issues, it was agreed that Fr. Walsh should also leave the Cathedral around the same time as Canon Sharkey. This will be another major change and upheaval, since he has been here for more than 15 years and has been a sure and steady presence. As we thank him for his dedicated work and prayer, we also pray that his health recovers and that he will be able to continue his ministry in the Archdiocese in some form in the future.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Parish Bulletin: Whilst we endeavour to produce a weekly parish bulletin, this may become periodical over the remainder of the summer. However, we will do our best to keep you up to date with parish and Archdiocesan news.

Mass recording: The 12 noon Mass on Sunday 14th August (Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) will be broadcast live by Being Catholic TV. You may consider attending another Sunday Mass if you feel uncomfortable about taking part in this.

Confessions: The current recommendations still prevent us from using the Confessional Boxes, but we hope to return to regular times for Confessions as soon as possible. However, it is still recommended that you email or phone the Cathedral House to arrange an appointment for Confession at a mutually convenient time. Please be assured that confidentiality is always maintained and a screen can be set up—just request this when you make an appointment.

Helping: We are always looking for people to assist at Mass as readers, servers, passkeepers, cleaners, etc. on Sundays or weekdays. Contact the Cathedral Office, speak to the parish priest or ask the current ministers for information.

NOTICES

SCIAF Ukraine Emergency Appeal: Please support SCIAF's vital work in Ukraine and in neighbouring countries by donating online at: sciaf.org.uk or call 0141 354 5555.

Nigerian Catholic Community Harvest & Bazaar on Sunday 7th August at St Roch's Catholic Church, 311 Roystonhill Glasgow G21 2HN beginning at 1pm with a Thanksgiving Mass. More info on www.nccglasgow.org.uk.

Archdiocesan Catechetical Award Course: If there is anyone still interested in applying for the 2 year course beginning in September, email Christine Burke at Christine.Burke@rcag.org.uk or speak to your parish priest.

The St Nicholas Care Fund have re-instated quarterly deadlines for applications. The next deadline is Monday 8th August and then Monday 7th November. The Fund aims to provide grant support to community groups, schools, churches and small charities that are addressing the problems faced by vulnerable individuals and groups; relieving poverty and hardship. Potential applicants can telephone the St Nicholas Care Fund directly on [0141 226 5898](tel:01412265898), e-mail: pct@rcag.org.uk or go to their website: www.rcag.org.uk for more information and application forms etc.

Artists for Mary's Meals Lucky Draw Appeal: For your chance to win the painting, "Spring Flourish" by Scottish artist, Marion Drummond (worth £1500), pick up a form from the bookstall. Winner to be drawn on 1st November 2022.

Pro-Life—"Abortion Buffer Zones" consultation: the Scottish Parliament is having a consultation on "safe access to abortion facilities". The proposed law has serious implications for civil liberties, in particular freedom of religion and freedom of expression. Since it would effectively forbid us to fully express our Christian faith, it is a grave danger. Please make your voice heard; you can find out more at <https://rcpolitics.org/briefing-proposed-abortion-services-safe-access-zones-scotland-bill/>

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Please try to arrive in good time to avoid disturbance during Mass. If you are unwell, if you have any Coronavirus symptoms or are in self isolation, you should not attend Mass. Please take your parish bulletin and hymn sheet away with you.

You no longer need to wear a mask in church, but please continue to sanitise hands and do not touch or kiss communal devotional objects, statues, etc. Physical distancing between household groups is encouraged, especially if the church becomes busy. For those who are still wary about being too close, an area of the church has been reserved for social distancing.

Holy Water Stoups: Please ensure your hands are sanitised before blessing yourself.
Candles: Hand sanitiser is very flammable, so please wait until your hands are completely dry before lighting candles. **The Sign of Peace** should be limited to a bow of the head.