



Welcome to the month of October, REMEMBER TO SAY YOUR
DAILY ROSARY
BIRTHDAY AND PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARY
Dear brothers and sisters, please save the date: Monday, 28th December 2026,
for my 50th Birthday and 20th Priestly Anniversary.
Holy mass: 10am at St Ninian RC Church
Reception after the mass. YOUR PRESENCE WILL MEAN MUCH

5. **For those experiencing hardship:** Inspired by St Paul's trust in God's providence, may those struggling with poverty, unemployment, illness, or loneliness receive the support, courage, and strength they need. We pray to the Lord.

6. **For the sick and the bereaved:** May Christ, who promises to wipe away every tear, comfort those who suffer, strengthen the sick, and grant eternal rest to our departed brothers and sisters in the joy of His heavenly banquet. We pray to the Lord.

7. **For our personal intentions:** In silence, let us present to God our individual needs and the intentions we carry in our hearts. *(Pause)* We pray to the Lord.

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, You invite us to share in the joy of Your kingdom and provide for all our needs. Hear the prayers we offer with faith, and help us to live worthily of Your invitation, through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

ST NINIAN

CAKE AND CANDY

Our next cake and candy is weekend 24th and 25th October. This will be the last one for this year. Everyone is welcome to contribute home baking. Please label and price each item. We encourage parishioners to support the stall and show our appreciation for our loyal bakers, who generously provide delicious treats for our parish at their own expense.

200 CLUB 17/09/2026 NO 26 LONIE
04/10/2026 NO 79 K. WILL

ST NINIAN OFFERTORY 04/10

OFFERTORY 291.10

GA 189.85 FLOWERS: 39.98

TOTAL= £520.93

ST JOSEPH

ST JOSEPH'S - OFFERTORY COLLECTION – SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER

Loose Plate £159 Gift Aid Envelopes £243 Standing Orders £350 Additional Offertories £0 Restoration Fund (New) £1,500 TOTAL OFFERTORIES £2,252

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Please try to give a little more each week to help St Jo's.

2nd Collection for The Sick and Retired Priests Fund raised £104

ST JOSEPH'S – HOW ARE YOUR VOCALS?

We are looking for another two parishioners to join the small group that sing the Psalm and Acclamation at the Sunday Mass, that makes this service so special. Would you be willing to volunteer? Please consider this and speak to Romana Hunter for more information.

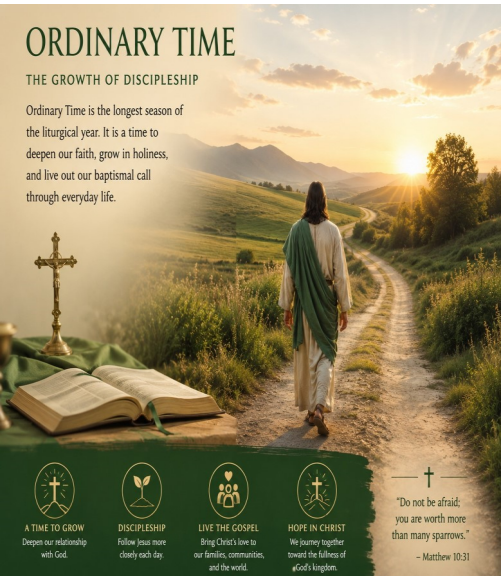
ST JOSEPH'S – HOME BAKING EVENT

Our next Home Baking Event will be on Sunday 25 October after the Sunday Mass. Could I please ask our regular bakers (and any new bakers) to support by providing delicious goodies on the day. Please assist us by visiting and purchasing from the stall. All monies raised will be donated to the St Joseph's Restoration Project. Many thanks – *Margaret Sinclair – Social Group.*

Sunday Newsletter

St Ninian RC Church & St Joseph RC Church

11 OCTOBER 2026



Come to the Lord's Banquet

Today's readings remind us that God has prepared a wonderful banquet for His people. Through the prophet Isaiah, we hear of God's promise to remove sorrow, wipe away tears, and bring lasting joy to His people. God does not desire our destruction but our salvation. He invites us to share in His life and happiness.

In the second reading, St Paul teaches us contentment in every circumstance, whether in abundance or in need. He reminds us that our strength comes from God, who provides for our needs.

In the Gospel, Jesus compared the kingdom of heaven to a wedding banquet. The king invited many guests, but some refused to come. Others ignored the invitation because they were occupied with their personal affairs. This challenges us to ask: **What keeps us from accepting God's invitation today?**

Sometimes, we allow work, money, family concerns, entertainment, and worldly ambitions to occupy the place that belongs to God. We may attend Mass physically while our hearts remain far away. God invites us not merely to enter the church but to allow His Word to transform our lives. The man without a wedding garment reminds us that accepting God's invitation requires a change of heart. We cannot claim to follow Christ while deliberately refusing to practise love, forgiveness, justice, and humility.

Dear friends, God's invitation is generous, but our response matters. Let us accept His invitation with grateful hearts and prepare ourselves through lives of faith and charity. May we be found worthy to share eternally in the Lord's heavenly banquet. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW WEEK

Heavenly Father, as I begin this new week, I place myself and my entire family into Your loving hands. Thank You for the gift of life, Your unfailing mercy, and Your constant protection. Go before us in every step we take and fill our hearts with Your peace. Bless our work, studies, ministry, and daily responsibilities with success and purpose. Keep us safe from every danger, sickness, accident, temptation, and evil. Strengthen our faith when we face challenges, and help us to trust You in every circumstance. Fill our home with love, unity, forgiveness, and joy. Grant us wisdom to make good decisions and generous hearts to serve others. May Your Holy Spirit guide our words and actions so that we may glorify You in all we do. We entrust this new week to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Our Sunday Masses:

Vigil Mass: 5.00pm in St Ninian's RC Church

Sunday Mass:

9.30am in St. Ninian's RC Church
11.00am in St. Joseph's RC Church

Daily Masses

St Ninian's RC Church:

Tuesday; 10am
Wednesday; 10am
Friday; 10am.

St Joseph's RC Church:

Wednesday; 11am
Thursday; 10am
Saturday; 10am

Holy Days of Obligation:

Vigil Mass: 5.00pm in St Ninian's RC Church

Day Masses:

Morning: As announced.

EXPOSITION;

Saturday; 10.30am to 11am in St Joseph's Church
Friday; 10.30am to 11am in St. Ninian's Church
Birthday Celebrations; 3rd Sunday of the month

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession

St. Ninian; Saturday 4.15pm—4.45pm
St. Joseph; Saturday 10.30am

YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME TO HAVE A CUPPA WITH US AFTER THE SUNDAY MASSES.

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Sunday 11 October 2026

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ■🔱

Liturgical Colour: Green. Year: A(II).

Readings at Mass

First reading

Isaiah 25:6-10a ·

‘The Lord will make a feast, and he will wipe away tears from all faces.’

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples

a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,

of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain

the covering that is cast over all peoples,

the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death for ever;

and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,

and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

‘Behold, this is our God;

we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.’

For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 23(22):1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6. R1

***In the LORD’S own house shall I dwell
for length of days unending.***

The LORD is my shepherd;

there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures

where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me;

he revives my soul.

***In the LORD’S own house shall I dwell
for length of days unending.***

He guides me along the right path,

for the sake of his name.

Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death,

no evil would I fear, for you are with me.

Your crook and your staff will give me comfort.

In the LORD’S own house shall I dwell

for length of days unending.

You have prepared a table before me

in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;

my cup is overflowing.

In the LORD’S own house shall I dwell

for length of days unending.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life.

In the LORD’s own house shall I dwell

for length of days unending.

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for length of days unending.

Second reading

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 ·

‘I can do all things through him who strengthens me.’

Brothers and Sisters: I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me. Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Cf. Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia.

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

enlighten the eyes of our hearts,

so that we may know the hope to which he has called us.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

‘Invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’

At that time: Jesus again spoke to the chief priests and the elders of the people, in parables, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, “Tell those who are invited, ‘See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ” But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and

killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, “The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.” And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

‘But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, “Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?” And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” For many are called, but few are chosen.’

BIDDING PRAYERS

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Celebrant: Dear brothers and sisters, God invites us to His heavenly banquet and promises to wipe away every tear. Trusting in His goodness and providence, we pray

Response: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

1. For the Church: That the Church may faithfully proclaim God’s invitation to all people, welcoming the poor, the lonely, and those who feel forgotten, and leading everyone towards the banquet of eternal life. We pray to the Lord.

2. For world leaders and peace: That those entrusted with leadership may work tirelessly for peace, justice, and reconciliation, especially in places torn apart by war, violence, and division. We pray to the Lord.

3. For our environment: As Isaiah promises a world where God will remove the veil of sorrow and destruction, may we become responsible stewards of creation, protecting our forests, rivers, oceans, and wildlife, and working together to preserve our common home for future generations. We pray to the Lord.

4. For our parish community: That we may never take God’s invitation for granted, but prepare ourselves with the wedding garment of faith, love, forgiveness, and good works, becoming true witnesses of Christ in our daily lives. We pray to the Lord.

Even in the Midst of a Storm, God gives Peace

Keep your thoughts from endless fear. Keep your heart from the anger and resentment you have. Keep your faith from the temptation to conclude that because God is silent, he is not with you. The sea can be rough, but your faith can still stand firm. You cannot trust the one who governs the seas if you do not understand all the waves. Keep moving forward. Keep praying. Keep believing. Keep your hands on the task that God has entrusted to you, and keep your heart firmly in his hands. The storm can continue for a while but the storm cannot speak its last word.

There is a peace that cannot be created by circumstances, and a peace that cannot be taken away by situations. And when that peace settles deep in your heart, you come to realize one amazing fact. We are not promised a life without storms. What we are promised is God, who is with us in the midst of a storm. Sometimes the greatest miracle God bestows is not to remove the storm, but to teach us to stand firm and unshaken even as the storm rages on.

PART 2 POPE LEO XIV

Please pray for those who are sick at home or in hospital especially those of our Parish – Cecilia McCartney, Pam Herron, Jim Ashwood, Moira Stewart, Tony and Margaret Beck, Maureen Clementsmith, Moira Stewart, Tony and Margaret Beck, Anya Behl, Cathie and Albert Soave, Baby Hayden, Alan Newell, May Cosgrove, Margaret McDonagh, Gillian Donnelly, Stan Clementsmith, Fletcher Ditchburn, Margaret Forsyth, Gordon Sangster, Mary Clark, Bella Shaw, Angela Keith, Bethany Williamson, Irene McKay, Andrew Fyffe, Lyn Fyffe, Lisa Gillespie and Gerard Halliday. **May they feel the healing power of Christ, in body and in spirit.**

Please pray for those who have died and gone before us in faith - for the souls of Winnie Golden, Fr George Leitchman, Charlie Sharkey, Marion MacPherson (Sen), Dawn Murray, Canon John Connolly, Fr John Mundackal and Karen Martin, whose anniversaries occur around this time. **May God grant them, and the souls of all the faithful departed, eternal rest.**