

St. Theresa's Parish Community Newsletter

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"Do Small Things Well"

REFLECTION by Nick Brodie



Reflecting on Church teaching, Pope Leo reminds us 'that the Church is the visible sign of the union between God and humanity, where God intends to bring us all together into one family of brothers and sisters and make us his people.'

Such 'mystery of ecclesial communion,' he says, helps us to understand the need to become a more synodal Church, 'recognising that truth is not possessed, but sought together.'

As the Pope points out, the Church is called to be a place 'where relationships do not respond to the logic of power but to that of love.' Ours is a Church where a child in a humble manger shows up the absurd claims of the earth's most powerful rulers.

Indeed, as the Pope stresses, 'the spiritual life... reveals to us that we are all children of God, brothers and sisters, called to serve one another.'

'The supreme rule in the Church is love,' the Pope emphasises. 'No one is called to dominate; all are called to serve. No one should impose his or her own ideas; we must all listen to one another. No one is excluded; we are all called to participate. No one possesses the whole truth; we must all humbly seek it and seek it together.'



St Theresa's Parish is committed to the safety of children, young people and vulnerable adults

A NEW YEAR, A NEW OPPORTUNITY?**“Many hands make light work”**

Our parish family thrives when each of us shares our gifts. As we prepare for 2026, we are inviting everyone to prayerfully consider how they can serve.

Roles we need:

-  **Cleaners** – to keep our sacred space welcoming and fresh.
-  **Readers** – to proclaim the Word of God during Mass.
-  **Helpers before & after Mass** – greeting, setting up, tidying, and ensuring everything runs smoothly.

Why it matters:

- These ministries are not just tasks—they are acts of love that build community.
- Your commitment ensures our parish remains vibrant, inclusive, and joyful.

How to respond:

- Please reflect on where you feel called.
- You can contact the parish office 9311 3091 to register your interest

MASSES THIS WEEK**ST THERESA’S**

Drummartin St, Albion

NO MASS 8.30am Wednesday

No Mass 9.00am Friday

8.30am Sunday Reconciliation

9.00am Sunday

10.30am Sunday

MOTHER OF GOD

Blanche St, Ardeer

10.00am Wednesday (Polish)

No Mass 9.00am Thursday

6.00pm Friday (Polish)

5.00pm Saturday Reconciliation

5.30pm Saturday

10.15am Sunday (Polish)

QUEEN OF HEAVEN

Holt St, Ardeer

CLOSED

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK 28th, 29th 30th January

Will be offered Wednesday at QOH area, Thursday at MOG area, Friday at ST T area during the last week of each month. Please call the Parish Office to book an appointment.

RECONCILIATION

(Individual Confession)

Other times by Appointment

HOLY ROSARY

Before regular Wednesday & Friday Masses each week

BENEDICTION

First Friday of the month at St Theresa’s Church

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR 2026

Last chance to buy a calendar for \$11.

COUNTERS 11th January

Team 4: M Poulter, A Silva, S Silva

READINGS Today

Isaiah 60.1-6

Psalm 72

1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13,(11b+Ps98.3)

Ephesians 3.2-3a,5-6

Matthew 2.1-12

Next Week

Isaiah 42.1-4,6-7

Psalm 29

1-2,3ac-4,3b+9c-10(11b)

Acts 10.34-38

Matthew 3.13-17

Mary Mackillop accommodation

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