

2. Old Boiler room walls to come down over the next week.
3. Floor to be built up from boiler room to match hall floor.
4. 2 new windows on the south side wall ( looking into rear garden )
5. Close of the doorways to the toilet and cupboard and create 2 new openings in what is the existing kitchen which will become a utility room.
6. Where the double doors are we are to create a window here as this area will be the new kitchen and what is the fire exit will become the new entrance door.
7. Hopefully all works will be carried out over 4-6 weeks.
8. A plan of the works is on the Hall wall.

#### HELP

Menzieshill Community Hub - Pantry on the Hill - needs your help - do you have any spare carrier bags, if so can you please hand into reception or to the church asap. Thank you!

**200 CLUB WINNER 18/01/2026**  
**NO 47- J. CURRAN Jr**

#### ST NINIAN OFFERTORY COLLECTION

OFF- £342.60, GA- £231.00  
**TOTAL 573.60**

#### ST JOSEPH

#### ST JOSEPH'S – PETER ANGUS R.I.P.

The funeral arrangements are as follows:

Reception of Remains on Monday 2 February at 5.00pm.

Requiem Mass on Tuesday 3 February at 10.00am.

Interment at Balgay Cemetery, arriving Glamis Road entrance around 11.00am.

#### ST JOSEPH'S - OFFERTORY COLLECTION – SUNDAY 18/1/26

Loose Plate £119      Gift Aid Envelopes £228  
 Standing Orders £353    Maintenance Fund £10  
 Additional Offertories £24    **TOTAL OFFERTORIES**  
**£734**

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

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

#### ST JOSEPH'S – HOME BAKING – SOCIAL GROUP

Our next Home Baking Event will be held next Sunday, 1 February, after the Sunday Mass. Please support by providing some delicious home baking and by purchasing on the day. Many thanks – *Margaret Sinclair.*

## Welcome to St Ninian's RC Church, Menzieshill St Joseph's RC Church, Wilkie's Lane

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#### Our Sunday Masses:

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

#### Sunday Mass:

9.30am in St. Ninian's RC Church

11am in St Joseph's RC Church

#### Daily Masses

#### St Ninian's RC Church:

Tuesday; 6pm

Wednesday; 10am

Friday; 10am.

#### St Joseph's RC Church:

Wednesday; 6pm

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;** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession**

St Ninian; Saturday 4.15 to 4.45pm.

St. Joseph; Saturday 10.30am.

## *Do You Know?*

**Why the church baptizes babies (who cant choose faith yet) ?**

Catholics baptize babies because **Baptism is God's gift of new life**, not only a personal decision (CCC 1250).

The Scripture teaches that Baptism saves and gives rebirth (Jn 3:5; Acts 2:38).

Acts 16:15,33 tells us that the entire households of Lydia, a seller of purple cloth in Philippi and the Philippian Jailer respectively were baptized, suggesting children too.

Like circumcision for infants in the Old Covenant (Gen 17:12; Col 2:11-12), infant Baptism welcomes the child into Christ's family, with parents and Church promising to raise them in faith.

**Sunday 25 January 2026**

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday of the Word of God)**

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

**Readings at Mass**

**First reading**

**Isaiah 9:1b-4**

**In Galilee of the nations the people have seen a great light.**

In the former time the Lord brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 27(26):1. 4. 13-14. R 1a**

***The LORD is my light and my salvation.***

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
 whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;  
 whom should I dread?

***The LORD is my light and my salvation.***

There is one thing I ask of the LORD,  
 only this do I seek:

to live in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life,  
to gaze on the beauty of the LORD,  
to enquire at his temple.

*The LORD is my light and my salvation.*

I believe I shall see the LORD's goodness  
in the land of the living.  
Wait for the LORD; be strong;  
be stout-hearted, and wait for the LORD!

*The LORD is my light and my salvation.*

#### Second reading

1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

**'I appeal to you that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you.'**

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgement. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarrelling among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each one of you says, 'I follow Paul', or 'I follow Apollos', or 'I follow Cephas', or 'I follow Christ.' Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptised in the name of Paul? For Christ did not send me to baptise but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Cf. Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus proclaimed the gospel of the kingdom  
and healed every affliction among the people.

Alleluia.

#### Gospel

Matthew 4:12-23

**'Jesus went to Capernaum so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled.'**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles — the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.'

While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were

fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people.

This Sunday, the priest will be using;

#### Sunday Preface II

#### Eucharistic Prayer III

#### BIDDING PRAYERS

##### Priest:

My brothers and sisters, on this Sunday of the Word of God, we thank the Lord who speaks to His people and calls us to repentance and mission. With faith and trust, let us present our prayers to the Father.

##### 1. For the Church

That the Church, nourished by Sacred Scripture, may listen deeply to the voice of Christ and proclaim His Gospel with courage, love, and clarity to the whole world.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

##### 2. For the Pope, Bishops, and Priests

That the Holy Spirit may strengthen Pope Leo, our bishop Andrew and the order of Bishops, all priests and deacons, so that they may faithfully preach God's Word, lead with holiness, and guide God's people in truth and mercy.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

##### 3. For all who hunger for God's Word

That those who are searching for meaning, struggling with faith, or living far from God may encounter Christ through Scripture, and find healing, hope, and the joy of a new beginning.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

##### 4. For peace and justice in the world

That God may bring peace to places of conflict and war, protect the innocent, comfort the grieving, and inspire leaders to seek justice, reconciliation, and the dignity of every human life.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

##### 5. Eco Prayer Intention

That we will raise our eyes and hearts above private wants and needs so we will focus on God's vision and protect the Earth, our common home.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

##### 6. For families and young people

That Christian families may be homes where the Word of God is honoured, read, and lived, and that our young people may respond generously to Christ who calls them to follow Him.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

##### 7. For the sick, suffering, and the vulnerable

That all who are sick in mind or body may receive comfort and healing, and that the lonely, the poor, the refugees, and those burdened by life may experience God's loving care through our support.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

##### 8. For the faithful departed

That those who have died may be welcomed into eternal life, and that those who mourn may be strengthened by the promise of Christ's resurrection.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

##### Priest:

Father, your Word is light for our path and strength for our journey. Hear the prayers we bring before you today and grant them according to your holy will, through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### Reflection on the Readings

On this Sunday of the Word of God, we are reminded that God still speaks to His people. His Word is not distant or silent; it enters our world to bring light and hope. The prophet Isaiah describes a people walking in darkness, burdened and afraid. Yet into that darkness, God promises a great light—a light that brings joy, freedom, and new life.

In the Gospel, we see this promise fulfilled in Jesus. He began His mission in Galilee, a place considered ordinary and overlooked. There, Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the Kingdom and healed the sick. The Word of God did not remain on the page; it became flesh, walked among the people, and transformed lives.

Today reminds us that Scripture is not just to be read, but to be lived. When we listen to God's Word with open hearts, it has the power to break the yokes that weigh us down; sin, fear, discouragement and lead us into freedom. The Word calls us to repentance, to conversion, and to trust in God's saving love.

As we celebrate this Sunday, let us renew our love for Sacred Scripture. May God's Word find a home in our hearts, guide our choices, and shape our lives, so that

we too may become light in a world that longs for hope.  
Amen.

#### Pray for the Sick

Please pray for those who are sick at home or in hospital – Stuart Findlay, Sally Helen Hamm and Dominic Roberts-Brown, Bill Buttars, Bishop Stephen Robson, May McGeary, Catherine Reid, Lusia, Brian Murphy, Lizzie Ward, Monsignor Basil O'Sullivan, Betty Saunders Pamela Herron, Maureen Walker, Kevin Veal, Margaret Mackie, Elinor Crighton, Fletcher Ditchburn, Margaret Forsyth, Bill Martin, Fr Malcolm Hutchison, Mary Clark, Bella Shaw, Angela Keith, Cecilia McCarten, Alan Newell, Albert Soave, Bethany Williamson, Irene McKay, Saul Sangster, Rena Samson, Gillian Donnelly, Margaret Beck, Tony Beck, Anya Behl, Andrew Fyffe, Lyn Fyffe, Lisa Gillespie, Gerard Halliday and Margaret McDonagh. **May they feel the healing power of Christ, in body and in spirit.**

**Pray for the Dead: Please pray for those who have died and gone before us in faith** - for the souls of Iain Madill, George Adam, Caroline Price, William Martin, John Walker, Frank Carrie and Peter Angus, who have died recently, and for the souls of Gerry Farquharson, Jean Pollard, Edward Flynn (Snr), Diana Parry-Richards, Georgina Burnett, Fr Francis McDermott, Alison Dunn, Andy Ferrie and Bill Gorrie, whose anniversaries occur around this time whose anniversaries occur around this time. **May God grant them, and the souls of all the faithful departed, eternal rest.**

#### Announcements



**This is to announce the death of Rosalie, the sister of Rev Fr. Johnny Raphael, who passed away on Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January 2025. Please continue to put her in your prayers. May she rest in Peace Amen.**

#### ST NINIAN INTRODUCTION TO PARISH PASTORAL COUNCILS

Following on from our meeting last Wednesday evening, and so that you are all kept well informed about this very important issue, information about Renewing our Parish Pastoral Council will be conveyed to everyone at the end of Masses this weekend.

#### HALL REFURBISHMENT

**Many thanks go to Jim Hampton for his success in acquiring a number of grants which have enabled him to make a start to a major hall refurbishment. This will create a larger social space which we would certainly put to good use as we continue to Journey Together. Details are as follows: Details are as follows:**

1. Temporary partition up to allow the Café to continue.