

LITURGY FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Sunday 9.30 am)

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Seek ye first

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become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

GLORIA

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo. Gloria, gloria, in excelsis deo.

Lord God, heavenly King, peace you bring to us; we worship you, we give you thanks, we sing our song of praise.

Jesus, Saviour of all, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away our sins, O Lord, have mercy on us all.

At the Father's right hand, Lord receive our prayer, for you alone are the Holy One, and you alone are Lord.

Glory, Father and Son, glory Holy Spirit, to you we raise our hands on high, we glorify your name. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

FIRST READING

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least. God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Because the Lord is my shepherd, I have everything I need. He lets me rest in the meadow and leads me to the quiet streams. He restores my soul and he leads me in the paths that are right.

Lord, You are my shepherd, you are my friend. I want to follow you always just to follow my friend.

And when the road leads to darkness, I shall walk there unafraid. Even when death is close I have courage for your help is there. You are close beside me with comfort, you are guiding my way.

In love you make me a banquet for my enemies to see. You make me welcome, pouring down honour from your mighty hand; and this joy fills me with gladness, it is too much to bear.

Your goodness always is with me and your mercy I know. Your loving kindness strengthens me always as I go through life. I shall dwell in your presence for ever, giving praise to your name.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not

GOSPEL

Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said

to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him. Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

PREPARATION OF GIFTS HYMN

Take me, Lord

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HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God almighty! (x2) Who was and is, and is to come; holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

Blessed, blessed, blest is he who comes, blest is he who comes in the Lord's name. (x2) Hosanna in the heights of heav'n; holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Christ has died, alleluia. Christ is risen, alleluia. Christ will come again, alleluia, alleluia.

LAMB OF GOD

(Cantor sings verse) Have mercy on us, have mercy on us, grant us peace. Have mercy on us, have mercy on us, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

One bread, one body

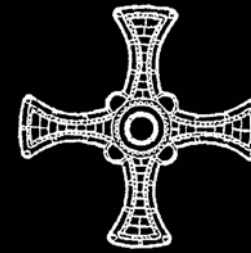
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RECESSIONAL HYMN

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Our Lady & St Cuthbert's, Maybole, a parish of the R C Diocese of Galloway. Charity number SC010576.

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm. Sunday 9.30 am

Weekday Mass

Mon, Thu 9 am

Celebration of Word and Communion

Tue, Wed, Fri 9 am

Sacrament of Confession

After Vigil Mass and when requested

Mass intentions this week:

Sat: Brian O'Rourke (Ann)

Sun: James Connolly (Ann)

Mon: Canon Michael Farrington (RIP)

Thu: Eileen Wooley (RIP)

Next Sat: Robert Malone (RIP)

Next Sun: John & Mgt McGaley (Spec Int)

Feastdays this week:

Wednesday: St Agnes

Saturday: St Francis de Sales

Sacrament of Baptism

Forms available at the back of the church

Sacrament of Marriage

At least six months notice is required

PARISH PRAYER

Lord our God,
we the people of Our Lady and Saint Cuthbert's Parish
offer ourselves to you to be your people in this place,
to be your Church in this community,
to be agents of peace and forgiveness and love.
Help us to face what the future holds,
and to make new beginnings in your name.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord, make me a better person: more considerate toward others,
more honest with myself, more faithful to you.

Help me to find my true vocation in life and grant that through it
I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others.

Grant, Lord, that those whom you call to enter priesthood
or religious life may have the generosity to answer your call,
so that those who need your help may always find it.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OF YEAR B SUNDAY 25th JANUARY 2009

The first message Jesus spoke publicly was "Repent and believe the Good News from God". His news was the truth about turning away from sin and towards believing what God has to say. To get his message to as many as possible Jesus chose people to share his life and help him. Today the world needs to heed this message more than ever. Who, however, are the messengers whom God has chosen to help him today?

News is something we are always interested in, whether it concerns us or not. We avidly switch on "the news" although what we read and hear in the media is often only a version of the truth. Our desire to hear and follow the Good News, which intimately concerns us with regard to the most important questions of life, is often less pressing. God's greatest wish is that we live this Good News with him and pass it to others. Just as he choose Peter, Andrew, James and John he has chosen us. He has no other plans for delivery of the message.

Items for inclusion in this newsletter should be given in writing to David Kiltie (882644 or david.kiltie@virgin.net)

Last week's collection: £479.62.
Thank you.

YOUNG PARISHIONERS CELEBRATE SCOTTISH NIGHT AS BURNS' BIRTHDAY APPROACHES



Young parishioners enjoyed mince (they don't like haggis!) and tatties and enjoyed the traditional ritual of a Burns' Night last Saturday evening after the youth Mass. Thanks to Colin the chef and Jean the kitchen hand ☺ for their catering! A memorable evening was had by all.

CANON MICHAEL FARRINGTON, RIP

Canon Michael Farrington, parish priest of St Andrew's, Dumfries until November, died last Sunday morning after a short illness. Canon Farrington also served in Good Shepherd Cathedral as administrator; St Andrew and St Cuthbert, Kirkcudbright as parish priest; and was full time resident chaplain to Crosshouse Hospital for a number of years. He was also assistant priest in St Joseph's, Kilmarnock; St John's, Stevenston; and St Andrew's, Dumfries.



At a diocesan level Canon Farrington was co-ordinator of the Pastoral Ministry Course. He was also Liturgy Co-ordinator and Master of Ceremonies. He served as a member of the National Liturgy Commission.

Originally a priest of Salford Diocese, and ordained in 1968, Canon Farrington was incardinated into Galloway Diocese in 1974.

His body will be received into St Andrew's church, Dumfries at 6 pm on Sunday 25th January and his Requiem Mass is at 12 noon on Monday 26th January. *Requiescat in pace.*

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS — IT'S TIME TO PLAN

PLEASE NOTE THE TIME OF THIS MEETING HAS CHANGED TO 8.00 PM (FROM 7.30 PM PREVIOUSLY) BECAUSE FR STEPHEN IS ASSISTING AT A FUNERAL LITURGY IN PRESTWICK. SORRY FOR ANY TROUBLE.

The members of the parish pastoral council (PPC) and the members of the finance committee are invited to a meeting on Monday 26th January to discuss the structure of the PPC and finance committees, ahead of the election for the PPC that are due to take place soon. The meeting will take place at 8.00 pm in the parish house.

Parish Pastoral Councils are not an end in themselves, but are at the service of mission and evangelisation. Parish Pastoral Councils should enable priests and people to work together to build up a dynamic Christian community that is characterised by faith, mission, worship and service.

Working together for mission also means that parishes must discern how they can give concrete witness in the neighbourhoods in which they are situated, showing how the Christian faith is the response to the problems and hopes that life poses to every person and society. (*Christifideles laici*, 34).

In particular they should facilitate the coordination of parish services regarding:

- proclaiming the Word of God and forming the faith formation, especially for the young,
- fostering the sacramental, liturgical and prayer life of the parish,
- supporting marriage and family life,
- enabling the lay faithful to carry out their particular vocation of shaping society in accordance with the Gospel.
- strengthening commitment to social justice and caring for the marginalised, thereby ensuring that the parish communities be true witness to the love of Jesus.

WEEKDAY SERVICES: Weekday services this week will take place at 9 am every day. There will be Mass on Monday and Thursday mornings.

THE BABY GIFTS LEFT UNDER THE CHRISTMAS TREE: Thank you very much for the many gifts for babies you have left under the Christmas tree this Christmas season. Jean Close from the 'Society of the Innocents' will come to Sunday Mass this weekend to collect the gifts and pass them on to those in need.

EASTER SEASON 'THOUGHT FOR THE DAY' STYLE REFLECTIONS: As a deanery, we hope to undertake an exciting project for the Easter season. The project is to encourage us to spend time in prayer each day. For each of the days from Easter to Pentecost, a short 'radio thought for the day' style recording would be made by one of the

priests or by a lay person in the deanery. The recorded reflection would be based on the reading at Mass for that day. Both the reading and the reflection would be joined together and quiet music would be set in the background. The entire reflection, for each day of Easter, would be made available on a website and would be available for people to download, listen to and use for their daily prayer during Eastertide. The reflection on the reading would only be two or three minutes long.

We need volunteers who would be willing to make a short recorded reflection based on a scripture reading from the Eastertide Masses. Readings will be allocated, and arrangements for recording made in due course. If you would like to be one of the people who makes a recording for this project please contact Fr Stephen McGrattan on

info@olasc.org.uk or 01655 882145, with your name and contact details, so we can provide more information. We will be delighted to hear from you and look forward to many people collaborating to help us pray better during Eastertide. We need your support to make this project a success.

ANNUAL LOURDES MASS FOR THE SICK: The annual Mass of the Lourdes Hospitalité with Anointing of the Sick will take place on 15th February at 3.30 pm in Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish, Girvan. All are welcome. After Mass tea and coffee will be served, and then the Hospitalité will hold their Annual General Meeting.

FAIRKNOWE NURSING HOME SERVICE: Today, Sunday 25th January, our parish has the responsibility to provide the Sunday service at Fairknowe Nursing Home at 3 pm. All are

welcome to join in the service.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK: begins next Sunday 1st February and celebrates all the graces Catholic education offers us. We tend immediately to think of Catholic schools and all that they do: they are one very important part of educating young people in the Catholic Faith. Really the task of passing on Christian values is a three way partnership of the family, school and parish. The Bishops have chosen as a theme for Catholic Education Week this year 'Bringing Values to Life'. To mark Catholic Education Week pupils and teachers will be invited to be involved at Masses in parishes on the weekend of 31st January – 1st February. There will also be a special collection to support the work of the Scottish Catholic Education Service.

BISHOP TAYLOR will be giving two talks on "Liturgy and the Mass" in the Catholic Hall in Girvan on Monday 26th January and Monday 9th February. Talks begin at 7 pm and finish at 8.30 pm with tea, coffee and biscuits. All welcome.

SINGING THE MASS: is an event for those involved in music ministry in their parishes. Over an afternoon, music for the Vigil Mass will be learned and prepared. The event will take place on Saturday 14th February in Our Lady of Lourdes and St Patrick's, Sorn Road, Auchinleck. For singers the event begins at 1.00 pm and will finish with the parish Mass which starts at 6.00 pm. Instrumentalists are invited to an earlier rehearsal at 12 noon. Booking forms are available from Nicola Lawrence or Fr Stephen.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

At Mass bread and wine are changed to the Body and Blood of Christ, which we receive in the Eucharist. Adoration is devotional prayer where people spend time in quiet prayer before the consecrated host displayed in the monstrance. It is a time to gaze on Jesus present under the form of bread, and to experience his close presence among us. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration on the first Saturday of the month in Our Lady and St Cuthbert's, from 10.00 am until 12.30 pm. The list for watching is at the back of the church. Please make sure someone is present at all times. All are welcome to drop in to church and spend a few moments in prayer.



"Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men." Are you considering a vocation as to the priesthood or consecrated life? Please speak to your parish priest or to the Diocesan Vocations Director, Father Stephen Latham, stephen.p.latham@btinternet.com or visit the Priests for Scotland National Vocations website at www.priestsforScotland.org.uk

MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK

	READER	PRAYER BEFORE MASS & BIDDING PRAYERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	PASSKEEPERS	ALTAR SERVERS	MUSIC	SUPERVISOR FOR YOUNG LIT	BELL RINGER	COUNTERS
Sat 24 Jan 3rd in OT	Margaret Boyce	Alex Meek	Angela Kirkpatrick Eileen Hamilton	Robin Donald Alex Kelly	Owen, Connor, Phoebe, Emily, Ronan	Nicola Lawrence		Jim Campbell	Nancy Flanagan Chris Connolly Betty McCaffery
Sun 25 Jan 3rd in OT	Ellen Hawkes	Eileen Hamilton	Margaret Kiltie Elizabeth Meek	Dennis McCaffery Chic McDermott	Chloe, Jodie, Brody, Zak, Niall	Guitars	Jim Campbell	Laura Kiltie	
Sat 31 Jan 4th in OT Education Sunday	Alex Meek	Nancy Flanagan	Eileen Hamilton David Malone Jnr.	Jim Campbell Robin Donald	Kyle, Ross, Kieran, Justin, Ciera	Maria Newlands		David Malone Jnr.	Jim McDermott Irene Hewitt Wilma Valdrighi
Sun 1 Feb 4th in OT Education Sunday	Amy Malone Jodie Brownlee		Elizabeth Meek Irene Hewitt	Tony Kerrigan Dennis McCaffery	Liam, Amy, Deáglan, Dara, Roisin	Children		Laura Kiltie	