

LITURGY FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Be still, for the presence of the Lord 165

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

KYRIE

Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison.
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GOSPEL

Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Rabbi', he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus. As they came down the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.



FIRST READING

Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.' When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood. Then he stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son. The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self - it is the Lord who speaks - because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you. I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

PREPARATION OF GIFTS HYMN

Be thou my vision 168

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

I trusted, even when I said:
'I am sorely afflicted.'
O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:31-34

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us - he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he, O blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

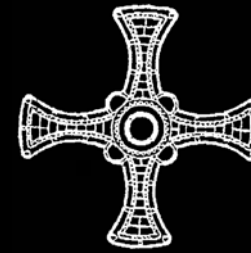
When we eat this bread and drink this cup
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory, until you come in glory.

LAMB OF GOD

(Cantor sings verse)
Hear our prayer, hear our prayer;
through this bread and wine we share,
may we be your sign of peace ev'rywhere.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Majesty, worship his majesty 469



Parish of Our Lady and St Cuthbert

The Catholic faith community serving North Carrick



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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
Teas in the hall after Sunday Mass

Weekday Mass

Mon 7 pm, Wed 9 am, Fri 7.30 am

Celebration of Word and Communion

Tue, Thu 9 am

Mass intentions this week:

Sat: Robert Malone (RIP)
Sun: Betty Hay (Ann)
Mon: Cissie Highton (Ann)
Wed: James Curley (RIP)
Fri: Melissa Spielman (RIP)
Next Sat: Betty Corbett (RIP)
Next Sun: Fr Sam McGinness (Ann)

Sacrament of Baptism

Forms available at the back of the church

Sacrament of Confession

After Vigil Mass and when requested

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 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT OF YEAR B SUNDAY 8th MARCH 2009

The Transfiguration took place on one of the highest mountains in Israel, a lonely spot yielding a wide view of Galilee including the plains of Megiddo, where the last great battle against evil will be fought and won by Christ. It is a fitting place for the hidden glory of the deity of Jesus to be revealed before his victory over Satan on the cross. Throughout Scripture fear is evidenced when heavenly apparitions appear to mortals. The sight of angels inspired fear in Zechariah, the Blessed Virgin and the shepherds, so it is not surprising that Peter is overcome with fear seeing Jesus in his divine glory, accompanied by two of the greatest prophets of Israel, with the voice of the Father emerging from the shadow of the cloud.

The passage reminds us that although the road to Calvary is one of suffering, it is the way to Easter and mankind's redemption, and therefore the gateway to victory over sin and death. Our pilgrim journey here on earth, often accompanied by various crosses, is a road towards the victory of eternal life with God.

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

Last week's collection: **£548.66.**
Thank you.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: The new PPC will meet for the first time this evening, Sunday 8th March. Please gather in the church for a time of prayer at 6.00 pm. Thereafter the meeting will continue in the parish house.

SACRED HEARTS, GIRVAN: Fr Stephen Motroni, SCJ, will speak on "The life and teaching of St Paul — an introduction" on Monday 23rd March, 2009 at 7.30 pm in the Catholic Hall in Girvan. The evening will finish by 9 pm, and there will be a break for tea and biscuits.

LENTEN PRAYER RESOURCES FROM THE UNITED STATES: The US bishops' conference is offering resources on their Web site to help people live the Lenten season.

The site focuses on themes from the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults, including what we believe, what we celebrate, how we live and how we pray. It includes teaching on prayer, the sacraments and the passion and resurrection of Christ.

It offers video meditations, using pictures of the crucified Christ and Michelangelo's Pieta, as well as an audio podcast based on Pope John Paul II's Stations of the Cross.

It features a video and a question-and-answer section about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. The bishops offer daily meditations, in text, audio and video segments, as well as other resources for deepening in prayer and sacramental life.

Lenten Web site: <http://www.usccb.org/lent/index.shtml>

SMITHSTONE HOUSE LENTEN SERIES: Lent talks will run through March this year. On Mondays 9, 16 March in the evening from 7 pm – 9 pm.

EASTER SEASON 'THOUGHT FOR THE DAY' STYLE REFLECTIONS:

Recording of the Maybole/Girvan reflections will take place in the church house on Tuesday 10th March. Please come to the back door five minutes before the time indicated for you to make your recording. If you have any trouble keeping your appointment please contact Chris Lawrence on info@lawrencesolutions.co.uk or on 01465 714797.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Galloway Lourdes Hospitalité will be on pilgrimage in Lourdes from 6th-13th July 2009. There is a **very urgent need** for trained nurses and carers to work as part of a medical team caring for the sick pilgrims of our diocese. There are not enough just now to make taking sick pilgrims viable. If you know of any nurses who may be able to go on the pilgrimage please speak to Father Stephen. The cost is £750 but subsidy from this parish will be available for a nurse to go. They also need male and female helpers to aid with general duties. If you are interested or would like more information please contact the Hospitalité President Miss Debbie Gillion on 07531 016747.

CAR PARK: You will be able to see that work is being done to extend and improve the car park area at the rear of the church. When complete all cars will be asked to use the rear car park at weekend Masses, and the car park at the side and front of the church will be reserved for disabled and infirm parishioners. The improvements should make a significant difference to the inadequate parking at present. In the meantime **please do not park** in the corner of the church hall just as you come in the entrance or in the passageway alongside the fire exit of the hall because this makes access very difficult for other drivers. Thank you.

HOUSE AND CHURCH REPAIRS: The scaffolding around the house is to facilitate

the replacement of the gutters on the house and part of the church building.

JOLASC JOURNAL: The March issue of the Youth Newsletter is now available.

WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER: The participants in the week of guided prayer are asked to meet in the church on Sunday 15th March at 7.00 pm for their introductory prayers and to receive instructions for the week.

QUEEN MARGARET ACADEMY FUNDRAISER: A race night/disco will take place in Queen Margaret Academy on Friday 27th March at 7.00 pm. The funds raised will support the school fund, and a donation will also be made to the building of the Health Clinic in Badagry, Nigeria. Tickets are available from the school and cost £2.50. Families/groups/businesses are invited to buy horses in advance at the cost of £2 per horse – race sheets are available from the school with 8 blank spaces for horses. Please try to fill a sheet. There will be a prize for the winning horses. The event is for people age 18 and over. There will be a bar. For more information, horse ownership sheets and tickets please contact the school on 01292 268379.

YOUNG PEOPLE: A mountain rescue team are coming to give a talk and demonstration on Saturday 21st March at 1 pm, before the youth Mass. Please phone Denise (882760) if you will take part.

YOUTH RETREAT: There are only 2 places left on the youth retreat to Dalmally from Thursday 2nd to Saturday 4th April. Please phone Denise (882760) if you want to go. Names already down: Roisin, Rachel, Niall, Maeve, Owen, Phoebe, Rhian, Ali, Sam, Ross, Justin, Kieran, David, Liam, Amy.

ADDITIONAL PRAYER EVENTS DURING LENT
Friday early Mass at 7.30 am (ideal for workers and school pupils)
Lent study group, St Oswald's Church Hall, Gardenrose Path on Sunday at 7.30 pm
reflecting on video monologues given by witnesses to Christ's Passion (this week Pilate's wife)

ST CUTHBERT'S PUPILS 'GO BANANAS'



Pupils at St Cuthbert's Primary School have been celebrating Fairtrade Fortnight by hosting a Bananarama Fairtrade Day.

The theme for Fairtrade Fortnight this year was bananas and as such the children were involved in various activities from baking banana loaves and cookies to learning about how to grow bananas successfully. The children had a fantastic day while supporting a worthwhile cause.

Head teacher Mrs Miller said, "St Cuthbert's Primary is keen to promote the message of Fairtrade to their families and local community while helping producers get a fair deal for their produce.

We would encourage everybody, where possible, to look for the Fairtrade logo and support this cause!"



Mother's Day cards and Easter cards are now available at the back of the church along with a selection of Easter gift candles. Remember also the Catholic Truth Society book stand: these books present teachings of the Catholic faith in an accessible and reliable way. Most books are priced £1.95. Please make use of this parish resource.

VATICAN PUBLISHES SACRED MUSIC FOR LENT ON THE INTERNET



To help faithful across the world to live the proper spirit of interior conversion during Lent, the Vatican has published sacred music for this liturgical season on the internet.

In a special section of the Vatican website you can listen to liturgical hymns sung by the Sistine Chapel Choir which is the oldest choir in the world to interpret this type of liturgical music.

The free tracks can be found, downloaded and played from http://www.vatican.va/liturgical_year/2009/index_lent2009_sp.html



"If God is with us, who can be against us?" Is the Lord strengthening you to consider the grace of a vocation 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 7 Mar 2nd in Lent	Matthew Reilly	Eileen Hamilton	Doreen Donald John Malone	John Sabbatini David Malone Snr.	Owen, Connor, Phoebe, Ronan, Emily	Nicola Lawrence		Robin Donald	Nancy Flanagan Chris Connolly Betty McCaffery
Sun 8 Mar 2nd in Lent	Tom Dowman	Jim McDermott	Betty McCaffery Dennis McCaffery	Chic McDermott Cindy McEwan	Liam, Amy, Deáglan Dara, Roisin	Maria Newlands	Jim Campbell	Laura Kiltie	
Sat 14 Mar 2nd in Lent	Margaret Boyce	Matthew Reilly	Maureen Hay Angela Kirkpatrick	Kate Sprott Alex Kelly	Owen, Connor, Phoebe, Ronan, Emily	Nicola Lawrence		Robin Donald	Jim McDermott Irene Hewitt Wilma Valdrighi
Sun 15 Mar 2nd in Lent	Elizabeth Meek	Tom Dowman	Cindy McEwan Nancy Flanagan	Jim Campbell Tony Kerrigan	Rachel, Rebecca, Justin, David, Suilven	Maria Newlands	David Strang	Laura Kiltie	

Please note that the youth Mass, which was to take place on Saturday 14th March will in fact take place on Saturday 21st March. The ministers for the Vigil Masses of Saturday 14th and Saturday 21st are to swap weeks as shown in the rota above.