

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Blessed be the God of Jesus Christ

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GLORIA

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.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

FIRST READING

Amos 7:12-15

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah. 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."



the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you too have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

GOSPEL

Mark 6:7-13

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff - no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, 'do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.



PREPARATION OF GIFTS HYMN

Come, Lord Jesus, come

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HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come. Lord Jesus, 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

God forgave my sin

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace.

His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land.

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven.

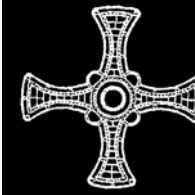
The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know

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Parish of Our Lady & St Cuthbert

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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

Sunday Masses

Sat Vigil 5.30 pm; Sunday 9.30 am
Teas in the hall after Sunday Mass

Weekday Masses

Mon 7 pm; Thu 9 am

Celebration of Word and Communion

Tue, Wed, Fri 9 am

Mass intentions this week:

Sat: Theresa Connolly (Ann)
Sun: Alma Brown (RIP)
Mon: Robert Malone (RIP)
Thu: Betty Corbett (RIP)
Next Sat: Raymond Baillie (RIP)
Next Sun: Elizabeth Connolly (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

Useful numbers: Sacred Hearts, Girvan: 01465 713331
St Paul's, Ayr: 01292 260197
St Margaret's, Ayr: 01292 263488

Church and hall bookings (Tom McCahill): 01655 882884
St Cuthbert's Primary, Maybole: 01655 882149
Queen Margaret Academy, Ayr: 01292 268379

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 FIFTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 12th JULY 2009

In today's gospel the first mission of the twelve gets underway under strict starter's orders from Jesus. They must have gone out with some trepidation. It was one thing being a follower of the Master who cured the sick and cast out demons, quite another to go it alone, even if they were sent out in twos. They completed their task, however, with great success, beyond what was humanly possible.

What message does the passage hold for us? We note that material goods have little or no importance in the success of the work Jesus hands on to his disciples - the authority to pass on the good news comes from above. The sending out in twos indicates the importance of community with regard to mission. So we, who are sent out today, can be assured that all we need is the grace God freely gives us. We thank God for the support of vibrant faith communities which help us live and witness to Christ as Church in the modern world.

Podcast on today's Gospel reading at www.gallowaypodcasts.org.uk

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

Last week's collection: **£487.05.**
Thank you.

A NEARBY PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LEARN ABOUT OUR LOCAL CHURCH HISTORY



In addition to the parish pilgrimage to Rome in September, there will be another pilgrimage which won't go so far afield! On Saturday 8th August, from 11.00 am, there will be the opportunity to visit local historical church sites with local history expert James Brown.

Mr Brown will guide us round the sites of the ancient churches in Maybole: the first church in the old cemetery, of which only a memorial stone stands, dedicated to St Cuthbert; and the Collegiate Church in Abbot Street (the Auld College) now in ruins and dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

Thereafter we will journey on to Straiton to visit the historic church of St Cuthbert (now Church of Scotland) which has an aisle that stood in the 15th century before the reformed faith took was introduced in Scotland and in which Catholic Mass would have been celebrated.

Lunch will be our next stop — an early high tea in Soutar Johnnie's, Kirkoswald. From there we travel to our final ancient place of worship on the pilgrimage, the Abbey at Crossraguel. As well as learning about the history of the abbey we will conclude the pilgrimage with a prayer service there before returning to Maybole in the late afternoon.

The cost for the day will be £12 including lunch and the entry fee to the Abbey and Collegiate Church. To keep the costs down we ask that you travel in your own cars. Should transport be a problem, please don't let it put you off signing up: contact Elizabeth Meek on 883419 and we will arrange transport where necessary.

Come along and learn with your parish community the rich growth of the Christian church in these parts over many centuries!

If you would like to join the pilgrimage please add your name to the list at the back of the church and give your £12 to Ellen Hawkes.



PARISH TREASURE HUNT AND BARBEQUE: Will take place on Sunday 26th July at 3 pm (treasure hunt) followed by the barbeque at 4.30 pm. Please come along and support this parish event which helps to build up our Christian community.

BULLETIN ARCHIVES
What was going on in Our Lady & St Cuthbert's 10 and 5 years ago?

10 YEARS AGO

Alex Kelly wins a long service medal from the National Life Saving Society. Preparations begin for the parish pilgrimage to Lindisfarne. Fr Jim and Fr Mancini swap churches for the weekend.

5 YEARS AGO

New digital piano bought for the church. Fr Jim returns from Mexico with lots of photos. £4,038.37 is received in gift aid from the Inland Revenue.

We welcome all who are visiting us this weekend. Whether it is for golf of your summer holiday we hope you are enjoying your break in Carrick.

ALTAR SERVERS' MANUAL: A manual on altar serving had been prepared by Fr Stephen in conjunction with some altar servers. The manual will be given out to all servers in August. It would be good to have a photograph of as many altar servers as possible on the cover of the manual. These photographs will be taken after Masses **this** weekend. If you are an altar server then please wait behind for the photos.

CARITAS IN VERITATE: Benedict XVI's new encyclical, titled "Caritas in Veritate," was released on Tuesday. This is the Pope's first social encyclical, and offers an analysis of the current economic crisis, looking to what authentic human development means. Some copies have been printed and are available for you to take from the back of the church. More copies will be ordered and available soon.

PARISH DIRECTORY 2009: If you haven't already taken a copy of the new 2009 Parish Directory then please take one. This directory is a summary of the tasks and responsibilities that help build the life of the parish.



One of the main ideas behind the directory is that should a parishioner need information about an aspect of parish life or should they wish to point out a problem or breakage, then they can contact the person who has responsibility for that area, leaving the priest more available to minister as a priest. Please keep the directory handy (for example, beside your telephone directory) and make good use of it.

U.S. PRESIDENT MAKES FIRST VISIT TO VATICAN

Abortion, conscience protection and bioethics took centre stage as Benedict XVI and U.S. President Barack Obama met for the first time on Friday.

The Pope received the president, who was in Italy for the G-8 summit that ends today in L'Aquila, for about a half hour in a private, closed-door meeting.

In a communiqué issued shortly after the meeting concluded, the Vatican reported that the "conversation turned first of all to questions which are in the interests of all and which constitute a great challenge for the future of every nation and for the true progress of peoples, such as the defence and promotion of life and the right to abide by one's conscience."

"Reference was also made to immigration with particular attention to the matter of reuniting families," the note added. "The meeting focused as well upon matters of international politics, especially in light of the outcome of the G-8 Summit."

"The conversation also dealt with the peace process in the Middle East, on which there was general agreement, and with other regional situations. Certain current issues were then considered, such as dialogue between cultures and religions, the global economic crisis and its ethical implications, food security, development aid especially for Africa and Latin America, and the problem of drug trafficking."

"Finally, the importance of educating young people everywhere in the value of tolerance was highlighted."

Benedict XVI gave to the U.S. president a copy of his recently published encyclical, "Caritas in Veritate," and a copy of the 2009 letter of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith "Dignitas Personae" (The Dignity of a Person), which deals with questions of bioethics.

Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi, the director of the Vatican press office, told Vatican Radio after the audience that the Pope's gift of the letter "Dignitas Humane" was "very significant."

"In the United States," he explained, "there is currently a great debate on the fundamental value of the defence of life, and in this the perspective of the Church and the politics of President Obama show differences, at times quite significant."

Father Lombardi revealed that the president confirmed that "he has every intention, with the commitment of the government, to reduce as much as possible, the number of abortions."

The two also discussed "moral values in international politics, immigration and the Catholic Church's contribution in developing countries," added Father Lombardi, and the "importance of the education of tolerance in every country."

NEW ROTAS FOR JULY AND AUGUST ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE TAKE ONE. PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER TO ARRANGE A SWAP IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO FULFIL YOUR MINISTRY.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

Mission Statement

The Catholic Church in Scotland is concerned with the lives, safety, wholeness and well being of each individual person within God's purpose for everyone. It seeks to safeguard the welfare of people of all ages who are involved in whatever capacity with the Church and its organisations. As a Church community, we accept that it is the responsibility of all of us, ordained, professed, paid and voluntary members to work together to prevent the physical, sexual, emotional abuse or neglect of children, young people and vulnerable adults.



"Before the foundation of the world God chose us in Christ." Are you discerning that

the vocation which God has chosen for you in Christ may be to serve the Church in the consecrated life or priesthood? 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 11 July 15th in OT	Matthew Reilly	Owen McDowell	Doreen Donald Jim Hawkes	David Malone Snr. Alex Kelly	Kyle, Ross, Kieran, Ciera, Patrick	Nicola Lawrence		Robin Donald	Jim McDermott Irene Hewitt Wilma Valdrighi
Sun 12 July 15th in OT	Tom Dowman	Elizabeth Meek	Betty McCaffery Dennis McCaffery	Cindy McEwan Tony Kerrigan	Liam, Amy, Deáglan Dara, Roisin, Brittany	Maria Newlands		Jim Campbell	
Sat 18 July 16th in OT	Eileen Hamilton	Caoimhe Hunter Blair	John Malone Angela Kirkpatrick	Jim Campbell Jim Hawkes	Owen, Connor, Phoebe, Ronan, Emily	Nicola Lawrence		David Malone Jnr.	Doreen Donald Robin Donald
Sun 19 July 16th in OT	Elizabeth Meek	Roddy Wright	Cindy McEwan Margaret Kiltie	Jim McDermott Alex Kelly	Rachel, Rebecca, Justin, David, Suilven, Dominic	Guitars		Laura Kiltie	