

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Sunday 9.30 am)

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Longing for light 439

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

Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account?' If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Yahweh, I know you are near, standing always at my side.
You guard me from the foe and you lead me in ways everlasting.*

Lord, you have searched my heart,
and you know when I sit and when I stand,
Your hand is upon me, protecting me from death,
keeping me from harm.

Where can I run from your love?
If I climb to the heavens you are there.
If I fly to the sunrise or sail beyond the sea, still I'd find you there.

You know my heart and its ways,
you who formed me before I was born,
in the secret of darkness, before I saw the sun in my mother's womb.

Marvellous to me are your works;
how profound are your thoughts, my Lord!
Even if I could count them, they number as the stars,
you would still be there.

SECOND READING

James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them - listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

GOSPEL

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

PREPARATION OF GIFTS HYMN

Take me, Lord 638

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.

COMMUNION HYMN

I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice,
be still and know I am here.
I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light, come and rest in me.

*Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.*

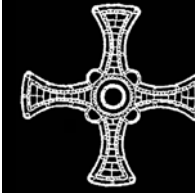
I am strength for all the despairing,
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name.

I am the Word that leads all to freedom,
I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain,
stand up, now walk and live!

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Hail, Redeemer, King divine 310

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Parish of Our Lady & St Cuthbert

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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

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

Weekday Masses
Mon, Wed 9.00 am

Celebration of Word and Communion
Tue, Thu, Fri 9.00 am

Mass intentions this week:

Sat: Robert Malone (RIP)
Sun: Elizabeth Connolly (Ann)
Mon: Brian O'Donnell (Ann)
Wed: Adrian O'Donnell (Ann)
Next Sat: Special Intention
Next Sun: Roberta McConnell (RIP)

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 882349
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 TWENTY-SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 27th SEPTEMBER 2009

Jesus uses graphic images of amputated limbs, millstones, and gouged out eyes to illustrate the loathing God has for the sin that destroys his creatures' lives. However, he is not proposing dismemberment as a spiritual growth strategy but rather using striking imagery to underline the drastic consequences of sin. He is warning of the severe damage to our existence which sin can bring about - eternal death. Eyes hands and feet are not the problem, hearts are.

We hear every day of the terrible suffering resulting from wars and violence in our world. We can have little doubt of the evil placed so visibly before us. If we could only see the invisible evil as clearly - the multitudes confused, wounded or lost spiritually. "Deliver us from evil", in the Lord's prayer, reflects Jesus' earnest message in this Sunday's gospel passage - a message not meant to frighten but to alert and turn us away from very real danger.

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: **£515.56.**
Thank you.

Church urges parishes to go online

Our Lady & St Cuthbert's parish website www.olasc.org.uk has been online for 3 year now. You can read the bulletin online, download monthly rotas for readers, passkeepers etc, download other forms eg for baptisms. It is hoped that the site will include old photos of parish life, eg weddings, school photos etc: to do this we need your contributions. Our website is visited by people from all five continents—truly we do preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Other parishes are encouraged to join in the initiative to have an online presence. You can read more about this below.

A joint initiative between the Catholic Church in Scotland and ISYS Computer Services a Glasgow based IT company will be launched next week urging all of Scotland's 500 parishes to go online.

In May of this year in his 43rd World Communications Day message, Pope Benedict XVI addressed the subject of "digital technology" in a very positive way. In a pastoral letter, Bishop Philip Tartaglia, President of the National Communications Commission, sent to all Scottish parishes he described how the Catholic Media Office was developing and using its own website www.scmo.org and subsequently urged parishes that had not already done so to go online with a parish website.

The National Communications Commission subsequently discussed how best parishes could utilise the internet and agreed to circulate information on establishing parish websites. In collaboration with "ISYS Computer Services" the Church agreed a template package, which would allow any parish to quickly establish and maintain a professional online presence.

Director of the Catholic Media Office, Peter Kearney said; "This is a very exiting and innovative package which would allow any parish to establish a professional website quickly and easily I hope it will encourage as many parishes as possible to get online."

Kevin O'Neill (Director) of ISYS Computer Services, added; "ISYS are very aware of the value of an online presence to any organisation and the benefits that can come from it. We are delighted to work in partnership with the Catholic Church to offer professional hosting, web design, domain name registration and email to every Catholic parish in Scotland."

Mr O'Neill added; "Even if a parish already has a website they may be interested in joining the rest of the parishes in adopting a common website address format, or in using our service to provide every member of the Clergy with a personalised email address in a standardised, non-Parish specific format - easily allowing priests to keep their own email address as they move between parishes."

Christian Youth Nightclub - Ayr FT YOUTH & OUTREACH WORKER REQUIRED (this post could be full time or part time)

Required to assist the outreach work of *The Ayr Ark* an alcohol-free youth nightclub and centre in Ayr. Applicants must have a live Christian church connection, be committed to the ethos of the project, and have relevant experience and/or appropriate qualifications in youth work/community education, and be prepared to work weekends. Previous street-based youth work experience is desirable, but additional training will be provided. Salary will be dependent upon experience/qualifications. *The Ayr Ark* is an initiative of twelve churches working together in Ayr. This post carries a Genuine Occupational Requirement in terms of the relevant legislation.

Closing date for completed applications: Friday 2nd October 2009

For a job specification and application form apply to:

Personnel
The Ayr Ark
Citadel Quay
South Harbour Street
Ayr, KA7 1JB
Tel: (01292) 264020
Email: admin@ayrark.co.uk
Web: www.ayrark.co.uk

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DEANERY "THOUGHT FOR THE DAY" PODCASTS

During the Easter season 50 people and priests composed and recorded a reflection based a short passage from the Bible. These reflections were made available for download from the internet as "thought for the day" style recordings. They can still be heard on www.gallowaypodcasts.org.uk. Since Easter a "thought for the day" recording has been made available for each Sunday of the year.

Advent is approaching, and the podcasts team hope to prepare daily reflections for each day of the Advent and Christmas season. Would you be willing to read a passage of scripture, pray about it and prepare a reflection, and then record it for others to listen to in order to help them pray? Please contact Chris Lawrence on 01465 714797 or email info@gallowaypodcasts.org.uk.

At a meeting last Monday evening, many of the 'podcasters' got together to learn more about how the recordings were edited and made into the podcast that people actually listen to on the internet. The meeting, which was well attended, also allowed podcasters to share their comments about the project and to suggest ways to improve the podcasts and their outreach.

You might be interested to read the observations made at the meeting which are listed below:

- music - keeping the same style so that it is 'identified' with the reflections
- constructive criticisms of content of reflections (they are personal to people, but should follow the church's teaching)
- 'professionalism' of podcast delivery vs the fact that we are ordinary people!
- one of the strengths of the podcasts is the variety of voices, ages and styles; when you listen to a new recording, you don't know what you are going to get
- getting more young people involved
- getting new recruits within St Margaret's deanery
- possibly expanding to parishes round the rest of the diocese
- contributing to developments/discussions on adult faith development
- providing CDs for people without internet access and the housebound
- involving more people in the technical side of things
- advertising the podcasts, perhaps via West Sound radio to the Scottish Catholic Observer and round other UK dioceses.

Remember to tune in and listen to the weekly podcast on the Gospel reading of Sunday to www.gallowaypodcasts.org.uk. If it helps with your prayer and reflection please let us know about it on info@gallowaypodcasts.org.uk. If you have any constructive comments to improve the project or would like to get involved we are also keen to know.

WELCOME TO CANON McSORLEY who will celebrate the Vigil Mass this weekend while Fr McGrattan celebrates the Vigil Mass in St John Ogilvie's, Irvine where he is on Saturday to deliver a church music workshop with the Galloway Music Network. Fr McGrattan will celebrate Sunday's Mass.

SEMINARY APPLICANTS' YEAR 2009-10: Those who may be considering applying for seminary and wish to take part in the Seminary Applicants' Year should contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Stephen Latham, stephen.p.latham@btinternet.com or at St Joseph's, Kilmarnock on 01563 521832. The Seminary Applicants' Year is a year-long programme of prayer and discernment which is required of those preparing for seminary and wishing to study for diocesan priesthood. For further information see www.priestsforScotland.org.uk.

MOTHERS PRAYERS: Mothers Prayers, a prayer group for mothers and grandmothers, takes place on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 2.00 pm at 7 Kildoon Drive.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Will next take place on Saturday 4th October from 10.00 am-12.30 pm. Please add your name to the list at the back of the porch if you can commit to 'watching' in church for a while. Otherwise please drop in for some quiet prayer.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: A special collection for retired priests of the diocese will take place this weekend. Please use the gift aid envelopes if you wish tax to be reclaimed. In 2008 the total amount raised by the "Galloway Retired Priests Fund" collection totalled £18,000 across the diocese. The expenditure on allowances, housing and specialised care for retired priests, who have served this diocese and its people faithfully over many years, amounted to £125,000. This is an extreme example of a shortfall that the diocese spends your hard-earned money on. Thank you for giving as generously as you can.

JOLASC JOURNAL: The October issue of the JOLASC Journal — our young people's monthly newsletter — is now

available from the back of the church. Please take one.

CLERGY CHANGES: Bishop Cunningham has announced some new appointments for the clergy. Fr Joseph Boland of St Matthew's, Kilmarnock has been appointed parish priest of West Kilbride from the weekend of 24th/25th October. Fr Martin Chambers, who has served in Quito, Ecuador for the last five years, will succeed Fr Boland as parish priest in St Matthew's, Kilmarnock. Fr Chambers will also become chaplain to Crosshouse Hospital and will be the Diocesan Youth Officer. Fr William McFadden, until now Rector of Scotus College, has been appointed parish priest of Kirkcudbright will responsibility for Gatehouse of Fleet. Fr McFadden will also be the Diocesan Representative on Dumfries and Galloway Education Committee and will assume responsibility for Adult Education and RCIA in the diocese. Fr Neil O'Donnell, who presently has responsibility for the people of Kirkcudbright and Gatehouse of Fleet, will continue as parish priest of Dalbeattie with responsibility for the people of Castle Douglas.

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.



"Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put His spirit on them."

All Catholics share the prophetic ministry of the Lord through baptism. Is He calling you to bear witness to His truth as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Please speak to your parish priest or to the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr 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 26 September 26th in OT	Jim McDermott	Caoimhe Hunter Blair	Margaret Reilly Angela Kirkpatrick	Kate Spratt Jim Hawkes	Amy, Emily, Ciera, Patrick	Nicola Lawrence		Robin Donald	Nancy Flanagan Chris Connolly Betty McCaffery
Sun 27 September 26th in OT	Roselene Borland	Tom Dowman	Elizabeth Meek Cindy McEwan	Chic McDermott Tony Kerrigan	Niall, Zak, Brody, Blair, Darra	Guitars	Roddy Wright	Jim Campbell	
Sat 3 October 27th in OT	Margaret Boyce	Niall Murphy	Doreen Donald Maureen Hay	Alex Kelly Jim Hawkes	Owen, Connor, Phoebe, Ronan			David Malone Jnr.	Jim McDermott Irene Hewitt Wilma Valdrighi
Sun 4 October 27th in OT	Jodie Brownlee	Zak Roy	Elizabeth Meek Eileen Hamilton	Chic McDermott Dennis McCaffery	Liam, Brittany, Deáglan, Dara, Jack	Children		Laura Kiltie	