

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Longing for light

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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.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 53:10-11

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering. If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done. His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord,
the God of mercy, the God who saves.
I shall not fear the dark of night, nor the arrow that flies by day.*

He will release me from the nets of all my foes.
He will protect me from their wicked hands.
Beneath the shadow of his wings I will rejoice
to find a dwelling place secure.

I need not shrink before the terrors of the night,
nor stand alone before the light of day.
No harm shall come to me, no arrow strike me down,
no evil settle in my soul.

Although a thousand strong have fallen at my side,
I'll not be shaken with the Lord at hand.
His faithful love is all the armour that I need
to wage my battle with the foe.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 4:14-16

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You

do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.' When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

PREPARATION OF GIFTS HYMN

Take my hands

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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

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.

COMMUNION HYMN

Be still and know I am with you

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MARIAN ANTHEM

Salve, Regina, mater misericordiae;
vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus, exules filii hevæ.
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle.
Eia ergo, advocata nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte.
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exilium ostende.
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

As I kneel before you

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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 7.00 pm; Thu, Fri 9.00 am

Celebration of Word and Communion

Tue, Wed 9.00 am

Mass intentions this week:

Sat: Roberta McConnell (RIP)
Sun: Anne Hannah (Ann)
Mon: Raymund O'Donnell (Ann)
Thu: Jane Sabbatini (Ann)
Next Sat: Nellie McCaffery (Ann)
Next Sun: Missa pro populo

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-NINTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER 2009

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

The petition of James and John leads us to reflect on our own behaviour. Too often we can seek the limelight, crave attention from others, even in our Church ministries. At the very least, we don't want to be overlooked or taken for granted! Yet this is exactly what Jesus is saying we should be willing to be like.

As followers of Jesus, we are to have hearts and minds which always put others first. Jesus had this attitude at the very core of his ministry – emptying himself of his glory and experiencing the very depths of human suffering and misery in order to redeem us. Few are asked to make extreme sacrifices, but we are all asked to recognise and change our selfish ambitions. In the grand scheme of things, this path of humble self sacrifice and service, trodden by the Master himself, is the one that gains the approval of God.

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: **£519.87.**
Thank you.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: "The poor are hungry for God, not just for bread and freedom." John Paul II, "Redemptoris Missio" December 1990. There will be a second collection today in every parish in the world. The Holy Father invites everyone to contribute what they can so that others can have what they need. Please use the gift aid envelopes if you are eligible. Thank you.

ADVENT PODCASTS: Since Easter Sunday this year, people and priests of St Margaret's Deanery have been recording thought-for-the-day style reflections based on the scripture reading from Mass. During Eastertide these daily recordings were put on the internet on the website www.gallowaypodcasts.org.uk, and were made available for people to use for prayer. Since Pentecost Sunday there has been a prayer reflection available on the same website every Sunday. We are currently recruiting volunteers to make daily recordings for each day of the Advent and Christmas seasons. If you would like to help please contact info@gallowaypodcasts.org.uk or telephone Fr Stephen McGrattan on 01655 882145.

FANCY DRESS DISCO: On Friday 30th October there will be a fancy dress disco and party in the parish hall for all our children up to and including primary 7. Please dress up. Entrance free. Young people of secondary school age will be needed to help—please let Fr Stephen know if you can help.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS FIREWORKS EVENING: There will be a fireworks

display on Friday 6th November in the church grounds. Parishioners and their family and friends will all be welcome. After the display there will be a social in the parish hall where soup and sandwiches will be served. Please bring your own bottle. If anyone can donate sandwiches, sausage rolls or soup for the occasion please speak to Jean Harvey (883271). More information to follow.

PLEASE KEEP OLD NEWSPAPERS: Second year pupils from Queen Margaret Academy are visiting the parish for a series of retreat days during October and November. They need old newspapers for one of their activities. Please don't throw newspapers out but leave them in the cardboard box at the back of the church.

APPEAL FOR ITEMS FOR SALE FOR THE CHARITY SHOP: Our Lady and St Cuthbert's will take their turn in the charity shop in the High Street from Friday 30th October. Please bring good quality second hand items to the hall. Clothes sell particularly well. Thank you for your continued support of this very important fundraiser for the parish.

A CEILIDH FOR SAINT MARGARET'S DAY: Saint Margaret is Scotland's second patron saint (after Saint Andrew). Margaret is the patron of our local Catholic secondary school.

St Margaret's feastday (which falls on November 16th) will be celebrated in school on

Friday 13th November when the entire school will gather for Mass with the local parish priests. Later that day the pupils will have excursions and activities to celebrate the feast, and in the evening there will be a ceilidh celebration for parents, pupils and friends of the school.

The ceilidh begins at 7.00 pm on Friday 13th November. Children of 11 years of age and over are most welcome. Tickets will be on sale from the school following the October break at a cost of £5.50 for adults and £3.50 for children and senior citizens.

Come along and enjoy dancing and entertainment. A bar is available and some snacks will be served. There will also be a raffle with very high quality prizes supplied by our business partners. Monies raised will go to the school fund. A special invitation is extended to the parents of primary seven children from the associated primary schools.

Please support this important event in the life of our Catholic secondary school community.

ENROLMENT 'SUNDAY': Next Saturday evening at Mass the children who will be preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist will be enrolled as they promise to work hard to understand their commitment to Jesus. We will also ask their parents and families to support them and the entire community to pray for them at this Mass.

LETTER FOR MISSION SUNDAY: "THE SON OF MAN HIMSELF DID NOT COME TO BE SERVED BUT TO SERVE"

Mission Sunday for me has become a time to "take stock" not just of what I do within Missio, but more importantly to re-examine my response to the Gospel as a priest and missionary. I confess that I am seldom happy with my reflection. There is always so very much more needing to be done. Thankfully the Good Lord sometimes gives us a glimpse of what He can achieve when we follow His lead.

One such blessed moment came in West Africa at Easter while visiting a leprosy settlement. The community leaders happily led me through their new school, rice mill, clinic and on to their pride and joy - the new church which had been funded mainly through help from Scotland. I had the honour of celebrating Holy Mass attended by the whole village. When I had almost completed the distribution of Holy Communion I was led to the backbenches of the Church where the most profoundly sick waited patiently for me.

One elderly lady held out her hand to receive the Lord. Wearing an old and dusty dress, clearly she had come straight from working on her farm. Her face was lined with the pain of her illness and of her efforts to feed herself and her grandchildren. Placing the precious host into her calloused hands where only stumps of fingers remained, I was moved to look into her face. As she held the Lord, I saw the lines on her face disappear. She radiated a smile that somehow reflected the purity of the bread, the very body of the Lord. She seemed to be transformed and, for the briefest moment, I felt what Jesus must have felt so often in his life and his words in today's Gospel took on a whole new reality for me – he came to serve.

Mission is His gift, we are but His instruments.

In the message to us for Mission Sunday the Holy Father says, "I wish to confirm once more that the task of evangelising all people constitutes the essential mission of the Church". Without a word one elderly lady reminded me of the value of that Mission. We feed the hungry, heal the sick, we uphold human dignity, but even more importantly we offer the supreme gift of Jesus himself, the servant and the "Throne of Grace".

Lying at the heart of the Church is the unique function of Missio that of ministering Christ himself to all his people in their particular need. I am acutely aware of the generosity of my fellow Catholics and of their trust in Missio to make the best use of the resources that they give us. We never forget the sacrifices that are made in order to share our faith in practical ways with those most in need. Many agencies help magnificently but none in the unique way of Missio. This is the Church itself, you and I, the body of Christ reaching out to serve as he did.

Those actively involved in Mission areas are but your representatives, carrying your faith and witness to places that most of us cannot go. Mission Sunday is the only day in the year when the whole Church, world wide, gathers in prayer to support its "Missionaries" and to help sustain your efforts to serve in the way that Jesus instructed his disciples. Last year despite economic difficulties you entrusted £500,884 to Missio. This enabled us to serve the most needy in Ghana, Nigeria, Congo, Tanzania, Sudan, India and the Philippines. Scots Catholics quite literally spanned the globe with their

generosity and faith.

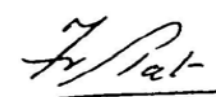
Once more you have helped restore to the poor their human dignity; you have worked together with local communities empowering them to direct their own future and allowed them to experience the Lord by your response to their need.

I continue to remind those who have been assisted by Missio, that it is the people of Scotland who make this possible. Now on their behalf, I have the opportunity to express their and my own very inadequate "Thank you" for your faith and love.

I offer Mass this day in thanksgiving for the generosity of the Church in Scotland.

Please remember the Mission of the Church in your daily prayer and be as generous as possible to this year's Mission Sunday collection. In your name, Missio Scotland will continue to give glory to God through your service to His people.

Sincerely,



Father P N McGuire sma
National Director for the Propagation of the Faith

IN PREPARATION FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Remembrance Sunday is the day traditionally set aside to remember all those who have given their lives for the peace and freedom we enjoy today. On this day people across the nation pause to reflect on the sacrifices made by our brave servicemen and women.

Advance notice: There will be an ecumenical Remembrance Service on Sunday 8th November at 10.00 am in the Town Hall, followed by a procession to the War Memorial for a minute's silence at 11.00 am, in prayer and in honour of those who have given their lives in service to our country. All are invited. **Mass on the morning of 9th November will take place at 9 am in Our Lady and St Cuthbert's to enable people to take part in the town remembrance commemorations. Please spread the word.**

MAYBOLE COUNCIL OF CHURCHES HARVEST SUPPER

There will be an inter-church Harvest Supper on Sunday 25th October at 6 pm in Our Lady & St Cuthbert's church hall. As with previous successful events you are asked to bring a dish (hot or cold — hot dishes can be heated in the ovens) for us all to share. Many people have enjoyed the inter-church suppers before and have shared Christian fellowship across our faith communities — and good food. Please make a special effort to come along, and bring family and friends too.

"Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptised with the baptism that I am baptised with?" Should the Lord direct these words to you in prayer, how will you respond? 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 17 October 29th in OT	Owen McDowall	Liam Menzies	Niamh Hunter Blair Gillian Thomson	Paige Campbell Kyle Campbell	Emily, Connor, Phoebe, Ronan	Youth		David Malone Jnr.	Nancy Flanagan Chris Connolly Betty McCaffery
Sun 18 October 29th in OT	Jim McDermott (note the change)	Eileen Hamilton	Irene Hewitt Cindy McEwan	Chic McDermott Jim Campbell	Niall, Zak, Brody, Blair, Darra		Gerry Murphy	Laura Kiltie	
Sat 24 October 30th in OT	Owen McDowall	Margaret Boyce	Margaret Reilly Angela Kirkpatrick	Alex Kelly Robin Donald	Amy, Emily, Ciera, Patrick	Nicola Lawrence		Robin Donald	Jim McDermott Irene Hewitt Wilma Valdrighi
Sun 25 October 30th in OT	Tom Dowman	Jim McDermott	David Strang	Tony Kerrigan Dennis McCaffery	Liam, Brittany, Deáglan, Dara, Jack	Guitars	Roddy Wright	Laura Kiltie	