

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Sunday 9.30 am)

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

How lovely on the mountains 346

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

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout! 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Blessed be the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the Lord, for he hears the cry of the poor.

Let the lowly hear and be glad: the Lord listens to their pleas; and to hearts broken he is near, for he hears the cry of the poor.

Ev'ry spirit crushed he will save; will be ransom for their lives; will be safe shelter for their fears, for he hears the cry of the poor.

We proclaim the greatness of God, his praise ever in our mouth; ev'ry face brightened in his light, for he hears the cry of the poor.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

GOSPEL

Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called



the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

PREPARATION OF GIFTS HYMN

Lay your hands gently upon us 413

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 (FARRELL)

(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

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death. Amen.

Gentle woman, quiet light, morning star, so strong and bright, gentle Mother, peaceful dove, teach us wisdom; teach us love.

You were chosen by the Father; you were chosen for the Son. You were chosen from all women and for woman, shining one.

(Refrain)

Blessed are you among women, blest in turn all women, too. Blessed they with peaceful spirits. Blessed they with gentle hearts.

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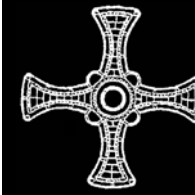
MARIAN ANTHEM

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

God's Spirit is in my heart 297

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Parish of Our Lady & St Cuthbert

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The Catholic faith community serving North Carrick



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| <p>Sunday Masses Sat Vigil 5.30 pm; Sunday 9.30 am Teas in the hall after Sunday Mass</p> <p>Weekday Masses Mon, Thu 9.00 am; Wed 10.00 am Celebration of Word and Communion Tue, Fri 9.00 am</p> | <p>Mass intentions this week: Sat: Nellie McCaffery (Ann) Sun: Missa pro populo Mon: John Connolly (Ann) Wed: Betty McGarry (RIP) Thu: Annie Kerr (RIP) Next Sat: John McFadyen (RIP) Next Sun: Lizzie Scobie (Ann)</p> | <p>Sacrament of Baptism Forms available at the back of the church</p> <p>Sacrament of Confession After Vigil Mass and when requested</p> <p>Sacrament of Marriage At least six months notice is required</p> |
| <p>Useful numbers: Sacred Hearts, Girvan: 01465 713331 St Paul's, Ayr: 01292 260197 St Margaret's, Ayr: 01292 263488</p> | | <p>Church and hall bookings (Tom McCahill): 01655 882884 St Cuthbert's Primary, Maybole: 01655 882349 Queen Margaret Academy, Ayr: 01292 268379</p> |
| <p>PARISH PRAYER</p> <p>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.</p> | | <p>PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS</p> <p>Lord, make me a better person: more considerate toward others, more honest with myself, more faithful to you.</p> <p>Help me to find my true vocation in life and grant that through it I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others.</p> <p>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.</p> |

THE THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER 2009

This great miracle of Jesus centres on the faith of blind Bartimaeus. He was a very vulnerable man, alone and isolated by his blindness, but he was anything but blind spiritually. His belief that Jesus might be able to heal him, kept him steadily calling out to Jesus, in spite of the crowd's censure. His faith was rewarded – Jesus gave him what he asked. This story is all about the kind of faith which Jesus commends.

Today Jesus still has the power to bring us healing. Yet our experience of healing is impoverished compared to what we read in the gospels. Perhaps each of us needs to rediscover this healing presence of Jesus among us and his willingness to hear voices raised in earnest and expectant prayer. In his book "Jesus of Nazareth", Pope Benedict XVI encourages us to do just that – to go on a personal re-discovery of Jesus. Like Bartimaeus, we will not be disappointed.

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: **£550.94.**
Thank you.

PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES: The sympathy and prayers of the parish go to the Kerr family from Maidens on the death of their mother Annie at 98 years. Her Requiem Mass was offered on Saturday. Also to Stewart and Maureen Hay and family on the death of Cooper, whose funeral took place on Friday. And also to the McGarry family on the death of their mother, Betty. Requiem Mass will be offered for Betty on Wednesday 28th at 10.00 am. *Requiescant in pace.*

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Thank you for your generous donations of £422.63 last week. You have surely lived up to today's Responsorial Psalm, "The Lord hears the cry of the poor, blessed be the Lord!". Your prayers and support will help the mission work of the Church to continue.

NEW HEAD TEACHER FOR ST CUTHBERT'S PRIMARY: On Friday, Mrs Gemma Rooney, presently head teacher of St Ann's Primary, Mossblown, was appointed as the new head teacher of St Cuthbert's Primary. We offer her our congratulations and look forward to welcoming her to our community.

It is also very appropriate for us to thank Mrs McCrindle, who has been acting head teacher since the beginning of the first term, for her enthusiasm, commitment and kindness to the school and the community where she has become well-known and appreciated, even during this short time.

FANCY DRESS DISCO: On Friday 30th October, from 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm 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.

THANKS FOR THE OLD NEWSPAPERS: We probably now have more than enough old newspapers so there is no need to bring any more after this weekend.

Thanks for your response — the second year pupils have worked well as teams building towers from them.

APPEAL FOR HELP 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. The ladies really do need help to transfer the goods from the garage at church to the shop on Friday 30th at 2.30 pm. Please come to help them at the church on Friday if you can. Many hands make light work!

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 day 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 OF CHILDREN MAKING THEIR SACRAMENTS: At the Vigil 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. They are Josh, Toni, Finlay, Abbie and Zara.

WELCOME to Kaleb Connolly who will be baptised into the parish community this weekend.

IN PREPARATION FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

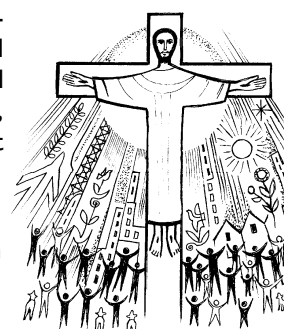
Remembrance Sunday is the day traditionally set aside to remember all those who have given their lives for the peace and freedom we enjoy today. On this day people across the nation pause to reflect on the sacrifices made by our brave servicemen and women.

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 8th 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.**

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

During the month of November, Masses will be offered on in the parish for departed priests and people of Our Lady and St Cuthbert's and your departed friends and family. Please take a November List from the back of the church and add the names of those you would like the parish to pray for during November, and place it in the basket which will be beside the altar from next Saturday, 31st October. If you are able you can offer a Mass stipend with your November list.

For your diary: Monday 9th November, Mass for the deceased of the parish, 7.00 pm. Please make an effort to come and join in prayer for and with your departed loved ones. The names of those written on your lists will be read aloud at this Mass and there will be an opportunity to light a candle for them.



SECOND YEAR PUPILS GROW IN SPIRIT

Queen Margaret Academy second year pupils left behind the normal school routine to come on retreat with Fr McGrattan and the chaplaincy team recently here in Maybole.

The purpose of the retreat day was to grow closer to Jesus Christ, reflect on and discuss some of life's harder questions, learn about Christian faith and build up stronger class relationships. After saying the school prayer together, icebreakers and a teambuilding exercise helped the group begin their day in an enjoyable way. Some innovative teamwork produced tall towers from only pieces of newspaper and sellotape, and each of the four groups worked well together.

A quieter activity followed when the boys and girls listened as Fr McGrattan spoke about the love God the Father has for each of us as children of God. The group reflected further on this theme watching two short video clips and shared their own thoughts.

Thereafter, in small groups, they took on the role of newspaper columnist Agony Aunt Maggie and tried to respond to some big questions about God, suffering and free will – good discussion and insightful answers were forthcoming.

The pupils then moved into the church where they took part in two spiritual exercises: the first was based around the Stations of the Cross and the second provided information about the seven Sacraments. The day was brought to a close back in the school oratory where all involved were led through a guided meditation on the day's retreat. All who took part responded with enthusiasm to the activities, sharing and reflections and were a credit to their school and families. Some of the participants are pictured above.



BURNS SPECTACULAR

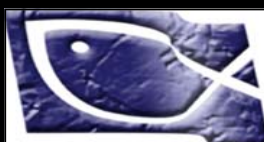


Maybole is in for a unique weekend on Friday and Saturday when world famous actor, author and director John Cairney brings all of his experience to the town. On Friday October 30 at 7.30pm he will be presenting "A Burns Experience" in Maybole Town Hall and the following day at 2pm he will be appearing in a brand new show with pupils from all Maybole schools. This show is entitled "The Boyhood of Burns" and John has written nine playlets tracing the young life of Burns and the young pupils will be rehearsing between now and then. He will also be the production consultant and narrator and this show will also be in the Town Hall. Tickets, £5 for the Friday evening and £3 for the Saturday afternoon, are available from June Dunlop 37 High Street Maybole Tel. 01655 882210.

MAYBOLE COUNCIL OF CHURCHES HARVEST SUPPER

There will be an inter-church Harvest Supper this 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.

"What do you want Me to do for you?" Could your answer be 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 |
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| Sat 24 October <i>30th in OT</i> | 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 <i>30th in OT</i> | Tom Dowman | Jim McDermott | David Strang | Tony Kerrigan Dennis McCaffery | Liam, Brittany, Deáglan, Dara, Jack | Guitars | Roddy Wright | Laura Kiltie | |
| Sat 31 October <i>All Saints</i> | Eileen Hamilton | Ellen Hawkes | Doreen Donald John Malone | Robin Donald John Sabbatini | Owen, Connor, Phoebe, Ronan | Nicola Lawrence | | David Malone (Jnr) | Doreen Donald Robin Donald |
| Sun 1 November <i>All Saints Children's Mass</i> | Emily Kiltie | Deaglán & Dara Hunter Blair | Margaret Kiltie David Strang | Cindy McEwan Tony Kerrigan | Rachel, David, Rebecca, Aidan, Dominic | Youth Choir | | Laura Kiltie | |