

LITURGY FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Seek ye first

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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

Jeremiah 17:5-8

The Lord says this: 'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited. A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

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,
for 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.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16:20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

GOSPEL

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: 'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets. But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

PREPARATION OF GIFTS HYMN

Be not afraid

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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.

COMMUNION HYMN

Above all powers, above all kings
above all nature and all created things
above all wisdom and all the ways of man
You were here before the world began.

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones
above all wonders the world has ever known
above all wealth and treasures of the earth
there's no way to measure what You're worth.

*Crucified, laid behind a stone
You lived to die rejected and alone
like a rose trampled on the ground
You took the fall and thought of me above all.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Sing my soul

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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

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

Weekday Masses

Wed 9 am, 7 pm; Thu 9 am; Fri 7 am
Celebration of Word and Communion
Mon, Tue 9.00 am

Mass intentions this week:

Sat: Matthew Reilly (RIP)
Sun: Alistair McDowall (RIP)
Wed 7 pm: Matthew Reilly (RIP)
Thu: Alistair McDowall (RIP)
Next Sat: John Scobie (Ann)
Next Sun: Fr Samuel 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

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.

SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2010

The Sermon on the Mount contains some of the most important teaching for ordinary living, and the Beatitudes, which introduce it, challenge us to look at things differently. Jesus equates happiness with following the kind of behaviour outlined in them. They are a recipe for life from day to day because they spell out the real values which contribute to our understanding of ourselves and our spiritual growth.

For example, as we recognise how poor we really are, we are better able to let go of our own opinions and accept God's ways. As we realise our need for spiritual feeding, God will nourish us through word and sacrament. As we grow in self knowledge, our weaknesses will be changed by God's grace. Persecution and suffering for the sake of God's kingdom will be outweighed by ultimate happiness. Following other paths of self satisfaction are folly. The Beatitudes give us much to reflect upon as we prepare to enter the season of Lent.

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: **£959.41.**
Thank you.

LENT 2010

Ash Wednesday, on 17th February, marks the beginning of Lent. Masses will be at 9.00 am and 7.00 pm both in Our Lady and St Cuthbert's Church. The children from St Cuthbert's primary will come for Mass in the morning.

Ash Wednesday is one of two days in the Church's year (the other being Good Friday), where Catholics aged 15 and over are to abstain from eating meat and Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are asked to fast (taking one meal and two smaller snacks). Please remember this sacrifice on Ash Wednesday that helps us remember our deep human need to look beyond the material world to life in God's spirit.

There will also be an additional weekday Mass on Friday mornings at 7.00 am, to encourage those who are working and school pupils to begin the day with Mass. It may involve a special effort but the spiritual benefit of beginning the day with Mass is enormous.

Also SCIAF Lenten packs with 'wee boxes' to gather alms are now available. Please return the boxes on Holy Thursday, 1st April). The Lent Extra magazine is also available.

EXTRAS FOR LENT

Sundays (beginning 21st Feb) 7.00 pm
'Live life to the Full' course at St Oswald's church, Gardenrose Path

Mondays (beginning 15th Feb) 7.00 pm
'Knowing God Better' course

Wednesdays (beginning 24th Feb) 7.00 pm
Stations of the Cross

Fridays (beginning 19th Feb) 7.00 am
Early morning Mass

Daily prayers and reflections available at www.gallowaypodcasts.org.uk

KNOWING GOD BETTER

Can my faith make a real difference? Does God really care about me? What happens when I die? Is forgiveness possible? Is the Mass really relevant? Can faith help my family? **Am I ready to find the answers?**

These are the questions that we will talk about during our "Knowing God Better" course on Monday evenings during Lent. The course is a fun and stimulating 7 talk video series by David Payne. Everyone welcome - bring a friend. **Begins Monday 15th February in the Parish Hall at 7.00 pm.** Maybe you know someone who has not been to church for a while or would like to know about the Catholic faith - invite them to join in.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2010



The boys and girls of St Cuthbert's Primary were thinking about how to "Shine the Light of Christ" last week. At an assembly led by Fr Stephen McGrattan to mark Catholic Education Week, the pupils imagined what the world would be like without light. They all agreed it would be a sad, unhealthy, unsafe and unpleasant place since light brings life and lets us appreciate the world and people around us. After talking about how Jesus is the Light of the World, the pupils came up with many different ways in which they could shine Jesus' light in their school, families and community. Head teacher, Mrs Gemma Rooney, and her staff and pupils, and parents are pictured with Fr Stephen McGrattan, gathered around the Easter candle which represents the Risen Jesus.



FASTING IN LENT — Step back from hassle and make more room for God.

If you are healthy, curious and (reasonably) self-disciplined, why not join a Buchinger-style fasting group this Lent? We will be meeting every day (morning or evening, depending on the group) for a week, from Friday 5th to Thursday 11th March 2010 at St Margaret's Cathedral.

The meetings will last about 90 minutes and will take the form of an exchange of information on the fasting process, a little singing, a meditative circle dance and a quiet Bible meditation. And a cuppa, of course. Buchinger-style fasting means you can drink herbal tea, clear veggie broth and juice. An alternative form of fasting is also possible for those who, for medical reasons, can't cut out solid food completely.

If you are interested you are invited to a completely non-committal information evening on **Saturday 20th February in St Margaret's church hall at 7.00 pm**

Or contact Eileen Opiolka on 01292 267045.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION: This weekend the election will take place for membership of the new Parish Pastoral Council for the next year. Please complete your election forms and leave them in the basket at the back of the church. Thank you to all who have agreed to put themselves forward for election. Three people will be chosen through the election and those standing will be informed of the outcome during the week. New members will be expected to attend meetings six times a year on Sundays evenings. They are also expected to participate in the annual residential retreat which takes place this year in Skelmorlie from the evening of Friday 7th May until the afternoon of Sunday 9th May. The first meeting of the newly formed pastoral council will be on Sunday 7th March at 7.00 pm in the parish house.

YOUNG PARISHIONERS: If you are in primary 7 or upwards You have the chance to be part of a group who will mime the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, 2nd April, at the 7.00 pm evening service. If you would like to be involved then please come along to the hall on Sunday evenings from 6 pm-8pm.

MASS OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: A Mass of Anointing of the Sick will take place on Sunday 14th February at St Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr at 3.00 pm. Tea and coffee will be served after Mass. All welcome, especially those who are sick.

ICE SKATING AT THE TIME CAPSULE: On Saturday 20th February there will be an excursion to the skating rink at the Time Capsule, Coatbridge. The minibus will leave the church at 10.30 am and will return for the Vigil Mass in which the young people will be involved. You will need a packed lunch and the cost of the trip is £5. Please bring the money on the day and be sure you have an up to date Parental Consent Form completed. Forms available from the parish website. There are 15 places available, on a first come first served basis. Please add your name to the list at the back of the church before 14th February. Primary 7 upwards.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND EVENING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH IN ST MARGARET'S CATHEDRAL: To mark the beginning of the liturgical season of Lent there will be an hour of prayer in St Margaret's Cathedral, John Street, Ayr on Sunday 21st February at 6.00 pm. During this time of prayer the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and the Evening Prayer of the Church will be sung. You will be very welcome.

150 CLUB DANCE: will take place in the Speakers Club on Friday 26th February at 7.30 pm for supper at 8.00 pm. Tickets are now on sale after Masses at the back of the church at £2.50 for members and £7.50 for non-members. You can also phone Jim McDermott (882592) or Dennis McCaffery (883451) for tickets. Price includes buffet supper.

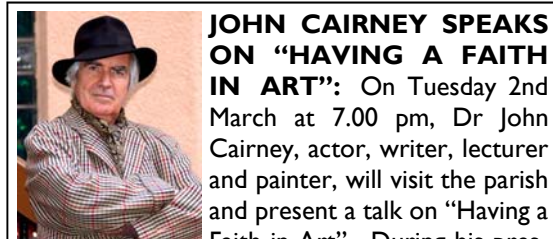
FUN NIGHT FOR CHILDREN FROM PRIMARY 1-7: There will be a fun night for all the primary school children of the parish on Friday 19th February from 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm in the parish hall. Activities will include baking, arts and crafts and games. Please come along!

KNOWING GOD BETTER PREPARATION TEAM (FAITH DEVELOPMENT TEAM): This group will meet in the hall this afternoon, Sunday 14th, at 4.00 pm.

SHORT TERM PLEDGE FOR LENT: The Pioneer Total Abstinence Society of the Sacred Heart invites you to think about taking the short term pledge during Lent by abstaining from alcohol from Ash Wednesday until Easter Sunday. There are leaflets available at the back of the church, with a prayer to invigorate one's efforts.

Please remember those members and friends of our parish family who are sick: Margaret Manning, Helen Henderson, Nancy Baird, Margaret Murray, Catherine Ward, Moira Sillars, Lee-Anne McLean, John Hagan, Bill Close, Vera O'Neil, Reginald and Helen Beans, Hugh Rodger, Jessie Doherty, Jean Milligan, Marie Murray, Billy Torbett, Edward Purvis, Rena McCrindle, Nancy Flanagan, Joseph Hernandez, Rory Mason, Claire Corbett, Helen O'Neill.

In our bidding prayers at Mass we pray for all the sick listed here. If you know someone who should be added to (or taken from) this list please email or speak to Fr Stephen.



JOHN CAIRNEY SPEAKS ON "HAVING A FAITH IN ART": On Tuesday 2nd March at 7.00 pm, Dr John Cairney, actor, writer, lecturer and painter, will visit the parish and present a talk on "Having a Faith in Art". During his presentation he will speak about the Last Supper triptych which has been hanging under the tracery window for several weeks now. After the talk there will be a chance to ask questions. Please come along and tell you friends. Entry cost: £5. This occasion gives us the opportunity to respond to Pope Benedict's recent call for the Church to ally itself more fully to the working artist.



"Blessed are those who trust in the Lord." Are you being called to deepen your trust in the love of the Lord for you by serving Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? 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 13 February 6th Sunday in OT	Matthew Reilly	Alex Meek	Doreen Donald John Malone	Kate Sprott John Sabbatini	Owen, Connor, Phoebe, Ronan			David Malone Jnr.	Doreen Donald Robin Donald
Sun 14 February 6th Sunday in OT	Roddy Wright	Ellen Hawkes	Eileen Hamilton Elizabeth Meek	Tony Kerrigan Dennis McCaffery	Rachel, David, Rebecca, Aidan, Dominic		David Strang	Jim Campbell	
Sat 20 February 7th Sunday in OT Youth Mass	Rachel Campbell	Roisin McCallum	Danielle Connolly Gillian Thomson	Phoebe McDowall Ali Roy	Emily, Ciera, Patrick	Youth Mass		Robin Donald	Jim McDermott Irene Hewitt Wilma Valdrighi
Sun 21 February 7th Sunday in OT	Ellen Hawkes	Eileen Hamilton	Margaret Kiltie David Strang	Chic McDermott Dennis McCaffery	Niall, Zak, Brody, Blair, Darra	Maria Newlands	Roddy Wright	Laura Kiltie	