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### Parish Bulletin

**8th/9th April 2018**

**Second Sunday of Easter (Year B)**

**Today's Liturgy Eucharistic Prayer II**

**Readings**

Acts 4:32-35

John 5:1-6

John 20: 19-31

**Next Sunday**

Third Sunday of Easter

**Bulletin preparation**

The bulletin will be prepared on Wednesday so please let Mary have any items by Wednesday morning at the latest, thank you.

**Please remember in your prayers those who are sick everyone on the family prayer ministry prayer requests. and all those whose needs are not known to us.**

Amalia Tamburrini  
 Elspeth McIvor  
 Michael Clark  
 Joan Jeavons  
 Sandra Dobie

Michelle Brun  
 Rosa Maria Santos  
 Andrew Monteith  
 Anne Johnstone  
 Nora MacDonald

**Sick and housebound**

I will visit the sick and housebound in the week ahead. If there is anyone who would appreciate a visit, or who is unable to get to Mass, please pass on details.

**Father Gerald's Mass intentions for this week**

Monday: Helen Kearney  
 Tuesday: Teresa Borland  
 Wednesday: Maureen Costello  
 Thursday: X  
 Friday: Christine Barrett anniversary  
 Saturday: Teresa Borland  
 Sunday: for the parish

[www.virc.at](http://www.virc.at) This website provides the readings for the Mass in many languages.

Please take a copy of the bulletin home to remind you of the times of services and events during the coming week, and please take a copy to anyone you know who is sick or housebound.

**Times of Mass and Services**

**10th - 17th April 2018**

Monday is the Feast of the Annunciation. This is normally held on the 25th March but has been transferred this year because of Holy Week.

**Monday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

**Tuesday** Mass in St Columba's at 10 am

**Wednesday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am  
 Requiem Mass

**Thursday** Mass in St Columba's at 10 am

**Friday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

**Saturday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:** Mass in St Teresa's, 10 am

**The Tuesday Mass at St.Teresa's is at 9 am this week**

**SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday Vigil Mass in St Andrew's at 6 pm

Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

Mass in St Columba's at 12 noon

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

After Mass on Thursday and Saturday

Between 5-5.30 pm Saturday

and on request at any other suitable time

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

After Mass on Thursday evening  
 and Saturday morning

**Holy Days of Obligation**

Mass in St Andrew's at 9.30 am and 7 pm

Mass in St Columba's at 11.30 am

**First Friday of the month**

Eucharistic Service at 10 am followed by tea/coffee

**First Saturday of the month**

Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, 5 pm in St Andrew's

**Rest in Peace**

**RIP Kathleen Walsh.** We pray for Kathleen Walsh who died recently. We remember also her family at this time. There is a Vigil Reception on Tuesday at 6.30pm and her Requiem Mass is at 10am on Wednesday.

**RIP Teresa Borland.** We pray for the repose of the soul of Teresa Borland, mother of Fr. David Borland. Her Requiem Mass is at 12 Noon on Tuesday at St Quivox Prestwick.

### ***SCIAF's Wee Box Lent Appeal***

If you have not already done so, please bring the Wee Boxes to Mass as soon as possible.

### ***Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 15th - 22nd October 2018***

The cost will be £1299 per person, based on twin room, half board flying from Manchester. Booking forms are now in the parish. Please complete and send off to Joe Walsh Tours as soon as possible to guarantee taking part this year

### ***Sacrament of Initiation***

We will celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on **Sunday 10th June 2018** at 10 am in St Andrew's and 12 noon in St Columba's.

## **Saint Andrew's**

### ***Sunday Coffee***

Please come and join us for coffee after Sunday Mass, have a chat, meet old friends, make new ones.

### ***200 Club***

The first draw of the new year is at the end of April so please return your subscription envelopes as soon as possible in order to be included. There is still time to join the club, just complete and return the form at the back of the church.

### ***Christian Aid***

The grand total of £1,175 was raised on the 23rd, with the cake and candy table and the lunch. It is hoped that the organisers reached their overall target this year, we will let you know.

### ***Envelope giving and Gift Aid***

The last few envelopes, which start next week are in the porch for you to pick up.

### ***Weekly Collection***

The collection for last week hasn't yet been counted so will be listed in next weeks bulletin.

### ***St Andrew's Nursery (Brooke Street) (Brooke Street)***

#### ***Enrolment***

The nursery shall be enrolling children for the academic year August 2018 - June 2019 on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th April from 9.15 am - 3.30 pm. If you would like to pay a visit to the nursery and see what we have to offer please contact Mrs Fiona Douglas on 07817636212 or through our Facebook page. When enrolling please bring along a copy of your child's birth certificate and proof of address.

#### ***Charity Auction***

on Friday 27th April in the Church Hall,  
promoting local businesses.

Doors Open 7 for 7.30. Auction starts at 8.15 pm. Tickets are priced at £3.00 which includes a buffet. Licenced Bar and Music. This is an adult only event. Ticket can be obtained by contacting Fiona Douglas on 07817636212 or through our Facebook page. Please come along and support the nursery.

### ***The Right Side Tour SPUC Scotland***

Justice, truth, history. Be on the right side.

A tour of Scotland informing on and resisting the campaign for the extension and decriminalisation of abortion - Tuesday 17th April in St Teresa's hall at 7 pm. More information on the notice board and the fliers.

### ***Embracing Change***

Embracing Change is the name given to the process in the Diocese of Galloway to manage the fact that the number of active priests is reducing and the age of the ones remaining is increasing. Parishes who had three, two or one priest in the past now have no resident priest. There is clustering of parishes. The sense of Parish identity exists even when there is no resident priest. Worship among parishioners is possible with a resident priest, Eucharistic Services, other devotions and perhaps further down the line lay lead services such as Vigil Receptions before funerals. This requires prayer, training and a realisation of the situation. There have been initial steps with a meeting recently in Kirkcudbright of parish representatives who will continue to see what Embracing Change means for our deanery of St Andrew's or our part of the deanery, Dumfries and East of Dumfries.

### ***Parish Ministries***

The perpetual appeal is made for all ministries in the parish; Ministers of the Word, Ministers of the Eucharist and Altar Servers. All young people (or indeed not so young!) who have made their First Communion are welcome to volunteer.

### ***New Hospital Visiting Policy***

If a patient wishes a visit from a priest or deacon please text or message the RC Chaplain on 07 591 230 828 or email [rcchaplain.hospital@yahoo.com](mailto:rcchaplain.hospital@yahoo.com)

### ***The Ladies Circle***

The next meeting of the Ladies Circle is on Tuesday 10th April at 7.30 for a Musical Evening with Christopher Watt.

### ***Catholic Parliamentary Office***

There are leaflets available describing the work of the Catholic Parliamentary Office which seeks to inspire the Catholic community in Scotland to engage in political issues guided by their Catholic Faith. There is a website at: [www.rcpolitics.org](http://www.rcpolitics.org)

## **Saint Columba's**

### ***Weekly Collection***

The collection last week totalled £544.88, and for SCIAF £26.85. Thank you