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### Parish Bulletin

**25th/26th August 2018**

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)**

**Today's Liturgy Eucharistic Prayer I**

**Readings**

Joshua 24:1-2. 15-18  
 Ephesians 5:21-32  
 John 6:60-69

**Spoken Psalm Response**

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

**Next Sunday**

22nd Sunday of the Year

**21st Sunday of the Year**

No decisions we make in life are so important as those that have eternal consequences.

**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.**

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| Michael Clark | Nora MacDonald   |
| Joan Jeavons  | Elizabeth Elliot |

**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..

**Hospital Visiting Policy**

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

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

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|------------|------------------------|
| Tuesday:   | Rev James Clancy       |
| Wednesday: | Teresa Fraser          |
| Thursday:  | Intention              |
| Friday:    | Smith Family Intention |
| Saturday:  | Intention              |
| Sunday:    | For the Parish         |

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

**Times of Mass and Services  
27th August—2nd September 2018**

**Tuesday** Mass in St Columba's at 10 am  
**Wednesday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am  
**Thursday** Mass in St Columba's at 7 pm  
**Friday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am  
**Saturday** Mass in **St Teresa's** at 10 am  
 (No morning Mass in St Andrew's)

**From the 1st of September Saturdays will change** to Mass, confessions and exposition alternating between St Andrew's and St Teresa's. Mass on the 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays will be in St Teresa's and Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays in every month will be in St Andrew's.

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

**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 on Saturday morning  
 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

**Holydays 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



**Pope Francis' intention for August  
The treasure of Families**

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

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.

### Mass on Saturday mornings

From the 1st of September (i.e. next Saturday) Mass, confessions and exposition on Saturday morning will alternate between St Andrew's and St Teresa's. Mass on the 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays will be in St Teresa's and Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays in every month will be in St Andrew's. So, no morning Mass in St Andrew's on 1st September.



### World Meeting of Families

Pope Francis is in Ireland this weekend and will attend the World Meeting of Families. We remind ourselves of the Church's teaching on marriage and family life. "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptised persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament." Catechism no.1601 "believing families are of primary importance as centres of living, radiant faith" Catechism no 1656. The document from Vatican II "Gaudium et Spes" nos 47-52 teaches on Marriage and the Family and is worth reading. We affirm to goodness of the sacrament of marriage, we pray for those preparing for marriage and those living their married vocation, we pray for our families and the witness to the faith that they give. We continue to affirm the gift of life from conception to natural death "and the life of the world to come". We oppose those practices that are in opposition to Life, abortion, euthanasia, exploitation of human beings, human trafficking and any suppression of basic human rights.

### Saint Andrew's

#### Liturgy Group Meeting

There is a meeting of the Liturgy Group on Wednesday at 7pm in the Parish house.

#### New Abbey talks

Our seminarian, Kevin Rennie is coming to talk on his life in Rome on Thursday 30th August. As usual, a shared meal at 12.30 followed by the talk at St Mary's New Abbey. Please come if you can. For more details contact Jo Kemp 01387 850554

#### Scottish Bible Society week- D & G collections.

The Scottish Bible Society is a registered charity working since 1809 to "...provide God's word to all people in a language they can understand in a format they can use and at a price they can afford..." Examples of their projects include the "penny gospels", the Bibleworld children's education programme and recent adaptations of materials for refugees. Along with other churches we will have a collection tin at the back of the church this weekend. Please donate what you can to this worthy cause.

#### Weekly Collection

The collection last week was £749.67. Parishioners gave £96.82 to the SSVP. The Jars of Hope fund increased by £25 and mow stands at £417. Thank you.

#### Coffee Morning after Mass on Sunday 2nd September

Coffee that day will be in aid of the women and children in the Holy Land. Come along and enjoy bacon rolls, strawberry tarts and meringues (etc.) and support a great cause. Donations for baking will be gratefully received, contact Carol on 264356. Thank you!



### mary's meals

a simple solution to world hunger

#### Mary's Meals, Rags to Riches Campaign

Mary's Meals will be collecting your textiles—clothing, bedding, curtains etc. from both churches on Sunday 21st October.

#### Mass in Polish

The next Mass in Polish at St Teresa's will be on Sunday 9th September.

#### Pilgrimages

##### Annual Pilgrimage to Whithorn

The Annual pilgrimage to St Ninian's Cave this Sunday 26th August. Mass will be celebrated at the Cave at 4 pm and in the church of St Martin and St Ninian in the village at 4.35 pm. This year we will share a bus with St Teresa's. **It will leave St Andrew's at 12.30, returning around 8pm.**

##### Carfin

We will have a **parish pilgrimage** to Carfin on Saturday 8th September, Our Lady's Birthday. A bus will leave St Columba's at 8.30 am and St Andrew's at 9 am, returning around 5 pm. There is no charge for the bus but you can give a donation if you wish. There is a list on the notice board. If you want to go please add your name as soon as possible. The ladies who look after the restaurant at Carfin have offered a 'soup and sandwich' lunch for £6.50 with no queuing if pre-ordered! (Other options are as usual available.) If you want this option please let Josephine or Mary Frances know (or add a note to your name on the list).

### Flower Festival and Songs of Praise

St John's Episcopal Church's Flower Festival runs until Monday and is well worth a visit.

As well as the stunning flower displays in the church several local organists will be playing throughout the day.



On Sunday 26 August at 6pm the evening service will be a Songs of Praise with a selection of songs and hymns to which all are invited.

### Saint Columba's

#### The Ninian Club,

The Ninian Club, for children of P4 upwards who wish to prepare for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion and who do not attend a Catholic school, will begin again on Sunday 2nd September. Lessons take place every Sunday after 12noon Mass until 2pm in the meeting room in church.



#### Coffee Morning

St Columba's Coffee Morning is on Saturday 29th September.

#### Weekly Collection

The collection last week totalled £271.84, the SCIAF door collection was £36.20. Thank you.