



www.standrewsdumfries.org.uk
www.facebook.com/standrewsdumfries

The Parishes of St Andrew's, Dumfries, and St Columba's, Annan

Parish Priest
 Fr Gerald Donnelly
 27 Brooke Street
 Dumfries, DG1 2JL
Telephone
 01387 254281

Email
rcdumfriesannan@sky.com



www.stcolumbasannan.org.uk
www.facebook.com/stcolumbasannan

Parish Bulletin

29/30th December 2018
Feast of The Holy Family (Year C)
Today's Liturgy Eucharistic Prayer II

Readings

1 Samuel 1:20-22. 24:28
 1 John 3: 1-2. 21-24
 Luke 2:41-52

Spoken Psalm Response

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
 And walk in his ways.

Next Sunday

The Epiphany

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Our liturgy today encourages us to think about how we might grow in our faith and what help we might seek to deepen our relationship with God.

Father Gerald's Mass intentions for this week

Tuesday: James McDonald
 Wednesday: Jim Murray (anniversary)
 Thursday: Isabella Wells
 Friday: Cathy Rose
 Saturday: Mabel McCluskie (anniversary)
 Sunday: For the Parish

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.

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.

www.virc.at This website provides the readings for the Mass in many languages.

Times of Mass and Services
1st - 6th January 2019

Tuesday Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am
 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

Saturday Morning: Mass confessions and exposition on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays will be in St Teresa's and on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays 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

Holyday 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 December

In the Service of the Transmission of Faith

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

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

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.

Weekday Mass Timetable

Tuesday is New Year's Day, it is no longer a Holy Day of Obligation but remains the Feast of Mary, Mother of God and is an ideal way to begin the New year. Fr Joe will say Mass in St Columba's so that Mass will be celebrated in both Churches at 10 am,

Polish Community Mass.

The local community next celebrate Mass in the Polish language at St Teresa's next Sunday 6th January 2019 (Epiphany) at 2.15pm.

Younger Parishioners

Any younger parishioners or young adults who wish to participate more fully at Mass and in the life of the Church can be accommodated. There is a variety of ways of helping and serving the parish, readers, Eucharistic Ministers, altar servers, sacristans. The children working towards their Pope Francis award scheme often volunteer for parish ministries. Please give some thought to serving the parish. Teachers and parents please encourage and lead by example as well.



Altar Servers

Anyone who had made their First Holy Communion (Primary 5 and above) and wishes to be an altar server should speak to Fr Gerald and training will be arranged.

Sacramental Preparation

The Sacrament of Confirmation in the Diocese of Galloway is celebrated by children who have just begun Primary 4. There is a sacramental preparation programme in St Andrew's Primary and St Columba's Primary. If you are not at a Catholic school there is a programme in each parish. In St Andrew's please see Rebecca Crosbie and in St Columba's please see Pat McElhone. There can also be some children who are above P4 but have yet to make their Confirmation, again please let Fr Gerald and the parish catechists know.

As with the last two years the Diocese creates the Confirmation calendar. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in St Andrew's Dumfries for all the candidates from St Andrew's, St Columba's, St Teresa's, Holy Trinity and St Luke's on **Tuesday 26th February 2019 at 7pm.**

The sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated by the same children later in the year at a date to be arranged.

First Base Agency Food Bank

Please keep up your donations of non-perishable foodstuffs for the Food Bank run by The First Base Agency (www.first-base.org). Suggestions include: coffee, Long life milk, pasta, cooking sauce, microwave rice, tinned meat, vegetables and potatoes.



Turn off your mobile phones please

Saint Andrew's

Meetings

The SSVP Conference will meet on Thursday 3rd January at 7:30pm in the Church House.

Coffee Rota

The coffee rota for the first two months of the year is now on the board. If any group wishes to drop out or any new groups wish to join please let Mary Buckley know as soon as possible and the full rota will be done in January.

Car Parking

If you use the church car park could you please ensure that you park considerately and that the exits to the car park are left clear for emergency vehicles if they are needed

Weekly Collection

The collection last week was £1048.55. Parishioners gave £115.36 to the St Vincent de Paul. The Jars of Hope stands at £237. Thank you.

Sick, housebound or Hospital in-patients.

If there is anyone you know of who would appreciate or need a visit at home, who is unable to get to Mass, please let me know. This applies to short term illness or temporary inability to get out to Mass.

Deacon Willie Hiddleston does a great job informing the priests of parishioners who are in hospital, but if you know of someone in hospital please let me know. I would rather be told twice than not at all.

Thank you as always to those who bring communion to the sick and housebound, it is greatly appreciated.

Saint Columba's

Weekly Collection

The collection last week totalled £300.40. The SCIAF door collection raised £47.31. The Jars of Hope remains at 338. Thank you.

Isabella Wells R.I.P.: We pray for the repose of the soul of Isabella Wells from Annan who died just before Christmas. We remember her family at this time. Funeral arrangements have still to be made.

Happy New Year to all parishioners, family and friends.