



*Parish Bulletin of
St Andrew's, Dumfries
and
St Columba's, Annan*

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Times of Mass and Services

13th-18th January 2020

Tuesday Mass in St Columba's at 10am
Wednesday Requiem Mass in St Andrew's at 12 noon
Thursday Mass in St Columba's at 10am
Friday Mass in St Andrew's at 10am
Saturday Mass in St Teresa's at 10 am
Saturday Morning: Mass, confessions and exposition on the 1st and 3rd and 5th Saturdays will be in St Teresa's and on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays in St Andrew's.

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

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, St Columba's

Eucharistic Service at 10 am followed by tea/coffee

First Saturday of the month, St Andrew's

Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, 5 pm

11th/12th January 2020

The Baptism of the Lord (Year A)

Readings

Isaiah 42: 1-4. 6-7

Acts 10: 34-38

Matthew 3: 13-17

Psalm Response

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Today's Liturgy Eucharistic Prayer III

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (year A)

The Baptism of the Lord

When Jesus was baptised in the River Jordan the heavens opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove. It marked the moment he began his ministry of doing good and healing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.

Father Gerald's Mass intentions for this week

Wednesday:	John Ross
Thursday:	Donald Finnan
Friday:	Lina Rinaldi
Saturday:	Catherine & Alan Mitchell
Sunday:	For the Parish

Please remember in your prayers

Michael Clark	Elizabeth Elliot
Joan Jeavons	Betty Fulton
Norah MacDonald	Betty Finnan

those who are sick, everyone on the family prayer ministry requests and all those whose needs are not known to us.

Sick and Housebound

If there is anyone who would appreciate a visit or who is unable to get to Mass, please pass on details. 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.

Pope Francis' prayer intention for January 2020

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

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

Please turn off your mobile phone in church



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.

Rite of Presentation

This weekend we celebrate the Rite of Presentation for the candidates for Confirmation. Next weekend we will celebrate the Rite of Enrolment.

First Holy Communion

The celebration of First Holy Communion in St Andrew's and in St Columba's will take place on **Sunday 14th June 2020** at the 10am and 12noon Masses respectively.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

This begins on Saturday 18th January. There are Christian Unity Services on *Sunday 19th January at 3pm in Maxwelltown West Church (run by the Dumfries Christian Network)* and at 6.30pm in St John's Episcopal Church.



As is usual, the monies collected at our Crib/Nativity will be donated to St Margaret's, the only Catholic Adoption Agency in the UK and one which achieved the highest possible grades in their recent inspection. This is a vital source of income for the charity which provides a number of services for adoptive families as well as recruiting, training and supporting new adopters. There is more information on posters on the board.

Adult Faith Formation Presentation



To prepare for Pope Francis' initiative that the 3rd Sunday of the Year be a day devoted to the celebration and study of the Word of God, Fr William will give a presentation on "Reading the Sacred Scriptures" in St Andrew's and St Cuthbert's hall, Kirkcudbright, on Friday 24th January from 10.45-11.30am. All welcome.

St Andrew's Change to Mass schedule

Please note that Mass on Wednesday is at 12noon and is the Requiem Mass for John Ross.

Meetings

The next **Ladies' Circle** gathering is on *Tuesday 21st January* for a Spiritual Afternoon.

The **St Andrew's Conference of the St Vincent de Paul** will meet on *Thursday 16th January* at 7.30pm in the Church House.

200 Club Draw

The 200 Club year ends at the end of March. Envelopes will soon be placed at the back of the Church for members to make their annual contributions of £12. The club urgently needs new members so please consider signing up using an application form from the table at the back of the Church. Odds are far better than those of any lottery!

Weekly Collection

The collection for last week amounted to £925.88 and the special collection for the Justice and Peace Commission raised £567.55. St Vincent de Paul collected £120.78. The Jars of Hope total has gone up to £452. Thank you.

Sacramental preparation

First Reconciliation is celebrated in P3 and Confirmation in P4. If you do not attend a Catholic school please see Fr Gerald or Rebecca Crosbie in St Andrew's or Pat McElhone in St Columba's as soon as possible. Don't leave it until just before the celebrations. If you were not baptised in the parish, please make sure you provide a certificate of Baptism. **Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Nolan on Thursday 6th February in St Teresa's, Dumfries.**

ENROLMENT FOR PRIMARY 1

Children whose birthdays fall between 1 March 2015 and 29 February 2016 are eligible to enrol for Primary 1 starting in August 2020. Please enrol your child at your catchment school (as per your address) on Monday 13 January or Tuesday 14 January between 9 am and 3 pm. You will require to take your child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate and proof of address.

If you do not wish a place in your catchment school, you should ask for a Pupil Placing Request Form and complete with the name of your preferred school.



Polish Language Mass Schedule 2020

Please find a copy of the schedule for Polish Mass at St Teresa's Church, Glasgow, on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.

First Base Agency Food Bank

Please keep up your donations of non-perishable foodstuffs for the Food Bank. Suggestions include: coffee, long life milk, pasta, cooking sauce, microwave rice, tinned meat, vegetables and potatoes.

Burns Concert - Friday 24th January - 7.30pm

Venue - St Andrew's Parish Hall

Entry- £5.00

Bring your own liquid refreshments - a light buffet will be provided.

An evening of Scottish songs and music in aid of the inter-parish Pro Life group.

Raffle Prizes gratefully accepted. Tickets on sale from next weekend 11th/12th January. Please come along.



St Columba's

Annan Churches Together

Annual General Meeting followed by an Ordinary Meeting is to be held on Tuesday 14th January at 7.15pm in Kate's Kitchen, High Street, Annan.

100 Club Draw

The benefit to Church Funds from the 100 Club in 2019 was £920. Many thanks!

Weekly Collection

The collection for last week was £298.90 and the special collection for the Justice and Peace Commission raised £178.71. The Jars of Hope total remains at £46. Thank you.

Rest in Peace

John Ross: We pray for the repose of the soul of **John Ross** whose funeral is on Wednesday 15th January at 12noon in St Andrew's. We pray for John's family at this sad time.