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Parish Bulletin

10th/11th June 2017

Trinity Sunday

(Year A)

Today's Liturgy

Preface of the solemnity
Eucharistic Prayer IV

Readings

Exodus 34:4-6. 8-9
2 Corinthians 13: 11-13
John 3: 16-18

Spoken Psalm Response

To you glory and praise for evermore

Readings for Next Sunday

Corpus Christi
Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16
1 Corinthians 10:16-17
John 6:51-58

Spoken Psalm Response
O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Pope Francis' intention

**In June, for
National Leaders.**

That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.



Times of Mass and Services 12th—18th June 2017

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 10 am

Friday

Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

Saturday

Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

Mass in St Teresa's at 10 am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass in St Andrew's at 4.30 pm

Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

Mass in St Columba's at 12 noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

After morning Mass on Thursday and Saturday
and on request at any other suitable time

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

After Mass on Thursday and Saturday morning

Holydays of Obligation

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

Mass at 11.30 am in St Columba's

First Friday of the month

Eucharistic Service at 10 am
in St Columba's followed by tea/coffee

First Saturday of the month

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

Fr Gerald's Mass intentions this coming week:

Tuesday: Father Edward Holmes, *Wednesday:* David Campbell, *Thursday:* Ft Edward Holmes,
Friday: Parker family intention, *Saturday:* Teresa Fraser, *Sunday:* For all parishioners

*When you ask Fr Gerald to say a Mass for you or your intentions
please give him a written note of the name of the intention.*

What's happening?



Congratulations

Congratulations and a big thank you to all our First Communicants and their families as well as teachers and helpers. Hope you have a great day and that this is the start of a wonderful life of faith and love in the Church.

Pilgrimage to Rome 10th—17th September 2017

If you would like to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome, (with a day trip to Assisi) booking forms are available from Alba Tours Ltd, 40 Chestnut Grove, Motherwell, ML1 3JF. The cost is £925 for a 7 night, half board in Rome at the Hotel Olympic. Please see the notice for more information.



Email address

Would those of you who communicate with the church or with Mary by email please make sure that you no longer use the Tiscali address and delete it from contacts and group addresses. This email address ceased three years ago and can no longer be monitored so if anything is sent there it simply disappears into cyberspace!

The email address is rcdumfriesannan@sky.com

New Diocesan Facebook Page

For those of you who use Facebook, the Diocese has recently launched its new Facebook page, keeping you up to date with goings on in the diocese and with the bishop. Search Galloway Diocese when you log on and 'like' the page. And don't forget the St Andrew's and the St Columba's pages.

First Base Agency Food Bank

There is a basket to accept your donations of non-perishable foodstuffs for the Food Bank run by The First Base Agency (www.first-base.org). One item each every week will make a huge contribution to this project. Please make a special effort during the summer months.



Missal reading in many languages

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

Celebration of First Holy Communion

Please note that there will be some seats reserved for the children and their families, please respect these seats, even if it is your 'favourite' !

Trinity Sunday

The liturgy is the place for trying to understand the Trinity: it is where we celebrate in the presence of God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The mystery of One God, Three Persons is outlined beautifully in Jesus' words to Nicodemus: "God sent his Son into the world ... so that the world might be saved." We begin and end today's and every liturgy in the name of God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Communion to the sick and housebound or hospital in-patients

Fr Gerald will visit as many of the sick and housebound as possible in the week ahead.

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 again please let me know. I would rather be told twice about someone than not at all.

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

Galloway Diocese News

The Pentecost edition of the Galloway News is now available for you to take home. There are lots of photographs of the Confirmation services held in February and a great article by our own 'Rome Correspondent', Kevin Rennie on how it felt to be part of the Easter Vigil in St Peter's, serving the Pope.

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. Many 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 even without a resident priest, Eucharistic Services, other devotions and, perhaps further down the line, lay-led 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.

Saint Andrew's

Vigil Mass - next Saturday

Please note that in order to avoid bumping into the Guid Neighbours parade Mass next Saturday, 17th June, **will begin at 4.30 pm**

Church Shop

The church shop has lots of cards and gifts for First Communion. It is open before and after Mass at weekends.

Parish Pastoral Council Members

Fr Gerald, Trish Clyde, (chair), Kevin Jones, Gerald McGill, Edwina Cummings, Mary Frances Murray, Annette Barnett, Claire Reid, Maire Crawford, Shona Payne, Kate McKay and Stuart Irvine (and 1 vacancy) . The first meeting of the new PPC is Wednesday 6th September at 7 pm.

Commemorative Cards

Celebrating 400 years of Vincentian Spirituality: the first Vincentian organisations dedicated to service of the poor were conceived or established in 1617 and laid the foundations for all the other Vincentian organisations to come, including the St Vincent de Paul Society. A commemorative card has been produced and is available for you to take from the back of the Church.

Baptism of Hamish Kemp

Hamish Kemp will be baptised at St Mary's Church in New Abbey at 2.00 pm on Sunday 2nd July. James and Sarah would be delighted if members of the parish were able to join them, their friends and family to welcome Hamish into our parish community.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers


Lay Readers
We are very short of Readers and Eucharistic Ministers at the Saturday evening Vigil Mass. It is a privilege to serve the Church and the community in this way so if anyone feels they could carry out either of these duties, or if you know anyone who might be interested but is too shy to come forward, could you please speak to Fr Gerald or Mary Buckley, or Diane Britton. Training will be given - you will not be thrown in at the deep end - but you will be very welcome!

Weekly Collection

Last week's collection came to £894.72. Parishioners gave £82. 37 to the St Vincent de Paul. The Jars of Hope fund remains at £436. Thank you.

Mary's Meals Rags to Riches Campaign

Advance notice - the Rags to Riches clothing and textile collection van will come to both churches on the weekend of 9/10th September.

Saint Columba's

In Memory of Fr Ted Holmes

Fr Joe Holmes would like to thank everyone from around Annan, together with Lockerbie and Moffat, for the condolences he and his family received from so many in this area, evidenced by the huge number of sympathy and Mass cards, phone calls, emails, text messages and posts via Facebook. Every one of them contained beautiful sentiments and expressions of love, care and support. And most came from parishioners who had known Fr Ted when he ministered in these parts when Fr Joe was Parish Priest. Blessings and peace to everyone. May Fr Ted rest in eternal peace.

Fr Ted's memorial Mass, as agreed between Fr Gerald Donnelly and Fr Joe Holmes, will be celebrated on Sunday 25th June in St Columba's church, Annan, at 12 noon.

Meeting on Ecumenism

Saturday 24th June 10.00 - 12.00 at St Andrew's Parish Church, Annan. There will be an open meeting for all in Annan churches to discuss the challenges we face ecumenically.

Weekly Collection

Last week's collection came to £379.40 and the SCIAF door collection raised £46.79. The Jars of Hope increased by £40 and now stands at £268.

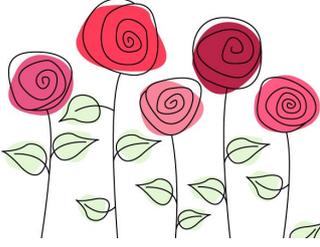
St Joseph's College presents

Little Shop of Horrors
20-23rd June

Tickets are going fast.
Get them from the Midsteeple Box Office,
theatreroyaldumfries.co.uk,

New Abbey Gardens Safari

Sunday, 25th Jun 2 pm - 6 pm In aid of Lochend and New Abbey Church and Christian Aid. Over 20 gardens in and near the village will be open Collect all-inclusive ticket and location map for Gardens' viewing (£5) at the Village Hall beside the Abbey. Teas (£2.50) and Plant Stall at Village Hall. Please see the poster for more details.



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.



***Please remember in your prayers those who are sick
and all those whose needs are not known to us, especially...***

Amalia Tamburrini
Gavin Russell
May Pratt

Gavin Russell
Elspeth McIvor
Michael Clark

Norah MacDonald
Joan Jeavons
Sandra Dobie

Eileen Rome
Rosa Maria Santos

Andrew Monteith
Anne Johnstone

and everyone on the family prayer ministry prayer requests. If you wish yourself or a loved one to be prayed for please let Fr Gerald know and please also let him know if anyone can be taken off the list because they are better.