



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

*Parishes of the R C Diocese of Galloway -  
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**Times of Mass and Services  
2nd-7th March 2020**

**Tuesday** Mass in St Columba's at 11.15am  
**Wednesday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10am  
**Thursday** Mass in St Columba's at 7pm  
**Friday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10am  
**Saturday** Mass in St Andrew'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

**Pope Francis' prayer intention for March 2020**

**Catholics in China:**

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity .

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

**Please turn off your mobile phone in church**



**29th February/1st March 2020**

**1st Sunday of Lent (Year A)**

**Readings**

Genesis 2:7-9;3:1-7  
Romans 5:12-19  
Matthew 4:1-11

**Psalm Response**

Have mercy on us, O Lord,  
for we have sinned.

**Today's Liturgy** Eucharistic Prayer IV

**Next Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Lent (year A)

**1st Sunday of Lent**

The beginning of every cure is the diagnosis. Find out what is wrong, then find a way to fix it. Lent is the diagnosis and Easter is the cure.

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

Tuesday: Betty Bradshaw  
Wednesday: Richard Uphill  
Thursday: Roy Kirkpatrick  
Friday: John Kiely anniversary  
Saturday: Nabla Coyle  
Sunday: For the Parish

**Please remember in your prayers**

Michael Clark	Betty Fulton
Joan Jeavons	Betty Finnan
Francis Clington	Janet Whitefield
Elizabeth Elliot	

*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.

**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)

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 Schedule in the week ahead

Please note that there are changes over the Lenten period.

### 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.

### SPRED

SPRED is an organisation which caters for the spiritual requirements and religious education for people with special needs. It exists throughout our Diocese and country and it is hoped to start a SPRED group in Dumfries later in the year. Representatives will hopefully come to the Parish to give a more detailed description of their valuable work. If anyone is interested in forming such a group, please fill in the form which is available.



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### St Andrew's

#### Meetings

The next **Ladies' Circle** meeting is on *Tuesday 10th March* on Guide Dogs for the Blind.

The next meeting of the **Inter-Parish Pro Life Group** is on *Wednesday 25th March* at 7pm at St Teresa's.

#### Lenten Lunches



St Andrew's turn is on 3rd April. Carol is looking for soup makers and also for some home baking, plus helpers on the day and donations for cheese and other items. Please phone Carol on 264356.

#### St Mary's, New Abbey

*Wednesday 25th March, 12 noon:* Annunciation. Fr Mancini will say Mass followed by our meal as usual. Our friends from Kirkconnel will be with us. More details from Jo Kemp on 01387 850554.

#### Collection Envelopes

If you would like to make your weekly contribution to the Church by envelope and are not already doing so, please make a request now for the envelopes which start in April. Please complete a **Weekly Collection Envelope form** available in the porch or on the website and return it to the Church house as soon as is possible. If you already use the envelopes you need take no action other than pick up your new envelopes when they come to the table next week.



Please also consider filling in a **Gift Aid form** if you are a taxpayer. The Church benefits from a 25% contribution from the taxman at no cost to you.

#### 200 Club Draw

The 200 Club year ends at the end of March. Envelopes are at the back of the Church for members to make their annual contributions of £12. There are no envelopes for anyone who has already paid in full. The club urgently needs new members so please consider signing up using an application form from the table at the back of the Church. Proceeds are put to good use in the Parish.

#### 200 Club Draw (February)

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| 1. | 98  | Tommy Neeson | £10 |
| 2. | 164 | Judith Craig | £25 |
| 3. | 153 | Anne Murdy   | £50 |

#### Weekly Collection

The collection for last week amounted to £709.74. St Vincent de Paul collected £94.59. The Jars of Hope total has increased by £12 to £493. Thank you.

### Lenten Services: Stations of the Cross

In **St Columba's** on the **Tuesdays of Lent at 11am.**

This is followed by Mass at 11.15am and then Lenten Lunches for SCIAF at 12noon.



In **St Andrew's** on **Wednesday evenings at 7pm.**

There is a sign-up list on the noticeboard for anyone who would like to lead the Stations on a particular Wednesday, perhaps sharing a set of Stations which are special to you.

### Across Pilgrimage to Lourdes by Jumbulance-April 2020

This leaves from Kilmarnock on *Thursday 23rd April-Saturday 2nd May*. Everyone has an essential role to play, from the assisted pilgrims to the chaplain, doctor, nurses and lay helpers. The inclusive, full-board cost is £850 per person. Further information and application forms can be obtained by contacting the Group Leader, Alison Neil- [Tel 07749555955](mailto:Tel 07749555955); e-mail: [Alison.neil@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Alison.neil@hotmail.co.uk) or visit [Across at www.across.org.uk](http://www.across.org.uk) or telephone 020 3542 1800.

### "Angels" sought for Kendal Calling

One of the North of England's music festivals is looking for "Angels" to offer support and assistance to festival-goers. Kendal Calling happens just outside Penrith and this year runs from 29th July until 2nd August. For the third year teams of *Christian-based Festival "Angels"* will be running Safe Hub caravans. They will offer a safe place where people can come to chat, grab a cuppa and seek help and advice. To find out more or to sign up to volunteer visit [festivalangels.org.uk/kendalcalling](http://festivalangels.org.uk/kendalcalling).

### St Columba's

#### St Columba's Diary Dates

There is a **Parish Council** meeting on *Thursday 5th March* after Mass.

The next **Parish Coffee Morning** is on *Saturday 23rd May*.

#### Lenten Lunches

*Each Tuesday from 3rd March - 31st March at 11:15 am*, there will Stations of the Cross followed by Mass. After this a soup lunch will be available in the meeting room.

#### World Day of Prayer

This year's World Day of Prayer, written by the Christian Women of Zimbabwe, takes place on *Friday 6th March*. Our local service will be held in Annan Old Parish Church Hall at 2pm. All welcome.

#### Annan Churches Together

**Future meetings** are on *Tuesdays 28th April and 8th September at 7 for 7.15pm*.

**Spring Fayre:** Annan Churches Together will be holding their Spring Fayre on *Saturday 14th March* in Annan United Reformed Church 10am to 12noon. St. Columba's will be running the Tombola stall, so donations for this would be most appreciated. All proceeds in aid of the Annan Homelessness Charity, Shelter.



#### Weekly Collection

There are no figures as yet for last week's collections.

### Rest in peace

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Cecilia Robertson** and of **Frances Copland**. May they rest in peace.

**Cecilia Robertson** died peacefully on 12th February and her funeral Mass was on 23rd February in Kirkcudbright.

The Funeral Service for **Frances Copland** is on Wednesday 4th March at 1pm in St Andrew's.