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Parish Bulletin

16th/17th March 2019 Second Sunday of Lent (Year C)

Today's Liturgy Eucharistic Prayer IV

Readings

Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 9:28-36

Spoken Psalm Response

The Lord is my light and my Help

Next Sunday
3rd Sunday in Lent

Lenten Reflection

As Lent is the time for greater love,
listen to Jesus' thirst ...
'Repent and believe' Jesus tells us.
What are we to repent?
Our indifference, our hardness of heart.
What are we to believe?
Jesus thirsts even now, in your hearts and in the poor.
He knows your weakness,
He wants only your love,
Wants only the chance to love you.

Mother Teresa (1910-1997)

Father Gerald's Mass intentions for this week

Tuesday: Anne Lynch
Wednesday: Sheila Gray
Thursday: Margaret Gibb
Friday: Mona Shandley
Saturday: Catherine Mitchell
Sunday: For the Parish

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick everyone on the family prayer ministry prayer requests.

Michael Clark Norah McDonald Betty Fulton

Joan Jeavons Elizabeth Elliot

and all those whose needs are not known to us. 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.

Times of Mass and Services 18th—24th March 2019

Tuesday Stations of the Cross at 11.15 am

Mass in St Columba's at 11.30 am

Wednesday Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

Stations of the Cross at 7 pm

Thursday Mass in St Columba's at 7 pm Friday Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

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 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

Holidays of Obligation

Mass in St Andrew's at 9.30 am & 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 Sunday of the month, St Columba's coffee after Mass

First Saturday of the month, St Andrew's Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, 5 pm

Pope Francis' prayer intention for March2019. Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities
That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

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

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.

The Season Of Lent Stations of the Cross:

* at 7 pm in St Andrew's on Wednesdays in Lent. If you would like to lead one please let Fr Gerald know.

at 11.15 am on Thursdays in Lent followed by Mass at St Columba's

Holy Week and Easter

Full timetable will be in the bulletin next week

WEE BOX Big Change appeal

Every Lent, between Ash Wednesday and Easter, we save money in their SCIAF WEE BOX. Pick up your WEE BOX this week

My Day by Day booklets—still a few available for you to take home, with a prayer and reflection for Lent.

Saint Andrew's

Meetings

The Ladies Circle meets on Tuesday 19th March at 7.30 when Sheila Wilson will be making Canapes.. **The liturgy Group** meets on Wednesday after Stations of the Cross

The PPC meets on Tuesday 26th March at 6.45 pm **Inter Parish Pro Life Group** meet on Wednesday 27th March 7.00pm at St Teresa's. New Members always welcome

Lenten Lunches

Every Friday until 12th April. St Andrew's turn is 5th April. We need donations of cheese and people to make soup—and, of course, help on the day. Please contact Carol on 264356 if you can help.

St Mary's New Abbey

On Wednesday 20th March, Susan Leask will give an illustrated talk about her visit to St Catherine's Monastery in South Sinai - home of the Burning Bush and much more! Format as usual, a quick lunch at 12noon followed by the talk. A suggested donation of £5 to help with costs would be appreciated

Further dates for your diary:

11th April, James Behan 'Recollections of Parish Life' going back over 100 years

13th June Sr. Jean Lawson on 'Iona past and present. 'Please contact Jo Kemp 01387 850554 for more details

200 Club—come and join us

200 club donation envelopes are ready for collection at the back of the church. The club is still looking for new members, so if you would like to join just complete an application form found at the back of the church and drop them in the collection box. We will do the rest.

Readers and Ministers rota

Please take your copy from the table or check your email

Collection Envelopes

There are still some envelopes are at the back of the church, please take yours today

Weekly Collection

The collection last week was £1073.95 Parishioners gave £119.64 to the St Vincent de Paul. Recent additions have raised the funds of the Jars of Hope to £394. Thank you.

First Holy Communion Sunday 16 th June

St Andrew's Dumfries will celebrate First Holy Communion at the 10am Mass.

St Columba's Annan will celebrate First Holy Communion at 12noon Mass.

Congratulations to all those who made their First Reconciliation last week.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 1st-8th July 2019.

The group will stay at the Hotel Chapelle et Parc. Flights are from Prestwick and the price is £795. Booking forms are now available. See the poster for

more details.

Assisted Pilgrim Places

Lourdes Hospitalite have availability in their Welcome Centre for those who require support in any way. If you know of anyone who would benefit from being an assisted Pilgrim please inform Fr Gerald.

Pilgrimage to Turkey 'in the footsteps of St Paul' 10th—17th October 2019. £970

Direct flights from Glasgow, full board in 4* hotel, full spiritual programme, Led by Bishop Nolan.

See poster for more details.

Tuesday is the Feast of St Joseph.

we wish all the school community of St Joseph's College a Happy Feast day.

Galloway News

The latest edition of the Galloway News is available this weekend, please take one home with you.

St Andrew's Nursery, (Brooke St)

is looking for a PRACTITIONER to join their existing team. The candidate should be caring, enthusiastic and motivated, have a knowledge of Curriculum for Excellence and working with 3 to 5 year olds. A minimum qualification requirement of SVQ Level 4 Child Care Learning and Development or equivalent is required. For more information and an application package please contact Fiona Douglas 07817636212. Closing date Monday 25th March.

Saint Columba's

*Please note the Lenten timetable on Tuesday.*Stations of the Cross at 11.15 am followed by Mass followed by Lenten Lunches for SCIAF, please support.

Ladies Who Lunch Afternoon Tea.

30th March, 1pm-5pm at St Columba's Primary School. £10 a ticket. Prosecco and afternoon tea. Games, prizes and dancing. Funds raised will go towards Catriona Gilfillan's pilgrimage to Lourdes as a Lady Helper and Ella Irving's Borneo Expedition. Contact Cat on 07774317996 to book a ticket

Advance Notice!

St Columba's Coffee Morning is on Saturday 11th May in the Market Hall Annan from 10.00 - 12.00

Weekly Collection

The collection last week was £212.06. The SCIAF door collection raised £41.50 The Jars of Hope stands at £211. Thank you.