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Parish Bulletin

12/13th May 2018

Seventh Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Communications Sunday

Today's Liturgy Eucharistic Prayer III

Readings

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26

1 John 4: 11-16

John 17: 11-19

Spoken Psalm Response

The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

Next Sunday

Pentecost Sunday

Seventh Sunday of Easter

In today's Gospel, Jesus prays to consecrate his disciples; he also consecrates himself.

In the Old Testament persons were consecrated for a role like prophet or priest. Animals were consecrated for sacrifice. The disciples are consecrated as prophets for missionary work. Jesus consecrates himself as priest for heavenly sacrifice.

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.

Amalia Tamburrini

Elspeth McIvor

Michael Clark

Joan Jeavons

Sandra Dobie

Michelle Brun

Andrew Monteith

Anne Johnstone

Nora MacDonald

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.

Father Gerald's Mass intentions for this week

Tuesday: Bob Anderson

Wednesday: Tommy Donnelly anniversary

Thursday: Marie Smith anniversary

Friday: Sandy Pittendrieh

Saturday: Joan Jeavons intention

Sunday: For the parish

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

Times of Mass and Services

14th—20th May 2018

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 7 pm

Friday Mass in St Andrew's at 11 am (Requiem)

Saturday Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

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 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

Holiday 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 May

We pray for The Mission of the

Laity: That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.



Hospital Visiting Policy

If a patient wishes a visit from a priest or deacon please 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.

Flourish as One
Women's Day, Saturday, 9th June 2018

Dumfries Baptist Church, Gillbrae Road, DG1 4EJ
An opportunity for women of faith to gather together, to explore and to grow in their relationship with God. The day will involve optional workshops, worship and fellowship designed to help connect with God and each other. If you are interested please see the poster for more information or call 01387 268926

52nd World Communications Day

Today is Communications Sunday where we pray in a special way for people involved in communication and the media and we hope to increase awareness of the good work of the Church in the message of hope it offers to society. Copies of Bishop Tartaglia's pastoral letter are available for you to take home and read. There will be a special collection NEXT SUNDAY.

Saint Andrew's

Meetings

The next meeting of ***the SSVP Conference*** will be on Wednesday 16th May at 7:30pm in the Church House.

Annual General meeting

the parish AGM will be held on Tuesday 29th May after Mass at 7.00 pm.

Leaders of church groups and organisations are asked to prepare a SHORT note on their activities. Please email them to Mary by this weekend.

Weekly Collection

The collection for last week totalled £884.97. Parishioners gave £107.48 to the SSVP. The Jars of Hope fund stands at £686. Thank you.

Ministry of Sacristan

As always. help and volunteers are required for the Ministry of Sacristan. Sacristans are responsible for making sure all that is needed for the proper celebration of Mass is in place, and for tidying away afterwards. It is a ministry that would suit a family or perhaps a group of friends or younger parishioners. It would also suit people who would like to serve the parish community but do not want to do something too public like reading or serving. Please give serious consideration to this Ministry. If you are interested or wish more information let Fr Gerald know.

St Andrew's Nursery

St Andrew's Nursery are holding a Bingo Afternoon for all the family this Sunday 13th May from 2 - 4 pm in the Church Hall. Everyone is invited to come along and join in the fun.

Guides wanted

During the summer months, St Michael's & South open their church doors throughout the week for locals, tourists and holidaymakers who are interested in the history and culture of Dumfries and many people from overseas visit the Robert Burns mausoleum and church. They are short of Guides this year when the church is open. If you can help have a look at the poster.

Sacrament of Initiation

We will celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on ***Sunday 10th June 2018*** at 10 am in St Andrew's and 12 noon in St Columba's.

Calling all retired Head Teachers

The Association of Catholic Head Teachers, Diocese of Galloway, are holding their annual meeting, Mass and Meal with Bishop Nolan on Tuesday 22 May 2018 in St Joseph's RC Church, 15 Hill Street, Kilmarnock, KA3 1HA. As this is a very special year, commemorating 100 years of the Education (Scotland) Act, we would like to extend an invitation to all retired Head teachers to join us for the full event. The day begins with tea/coffee and light lunch at 12.45pm, followed by our guest speaker, Mass is at 4pm, followed by a meal in the Park hotel Kilmarnock at 5.30pm. If you would like to join us for all, or part of the day, please RSVP to Ann Tierney, anntierney@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or to Kate Dunn kate@gallowaydiocese.org.uk NO LATER THAN MONDAY 14 MAY.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land
15th - 22nd October 2018

The cost is £1299 per person, based on twin room, half board flying from Manchester. More booking forms are now available. Please complete and send off to Joe Walsh Tours as soon as possible.

Update on 'Educate the Kids'

St Andrew's sponsors the education of four children in Kenya. Our secondary boy, Stephen, has completed his education and has sent us a beautiful letter of gratitude. He will be replaced by Babley. The letter and photographs are on the noticeboard.

Sponsorship money for 2018 is now due. You can sponsor an individual child at £11 per month and receive photographs and updates or you can join the collective parish sponsorship for £15 per year. Please give your donation to Maire Crawford - cheques payable to 'The Kids'.

Saint Columba's

Christian Aid week 2018 runs from 13th - 19th May.

Our local service is to be held on Sunday 13th May in Annan Old Parish Church at 6:30pm. All Welcome.

Parish pastoral Council

The PPC will meet after Mass on Thursday evening.

Weekly Collection

The collection for last week totalled £270.30. The SCIAF door collection was £25. The Jars of Hope stands at £494. Thank you.

Rest in Peace

Sandy Pittendrieh RIP: We pray for the repose of the soul of Sandy Pittendrieh who died recently. We pray for the comforting of his family. Vigil reception of his remains is on Thursday evening at 6pm and Requiem Mass is on Friday at 11am in St Andrew's