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Parish Bulletin

3rd/4th November 2018
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Today's Liturgy Eucharistic Prayer III

Readings

Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Hebrews 7:23-28
Mark 12:28-34

Spoken Psalm Response

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Next Sunday

31st Sunday of the Year

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The question about the first of all the Commandments was a live debate in Jesus' time, not as a question about the supremacy of one Commandment, but as a quest for a single Commandment which summed up the entire Law. Jesus highlights two Commandments as being the basis for all others and tells the scribe who asked it "you are not far from the kingdom of God."

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.

John Turner Joan Jeavons Elizabeth Elliot
Michael Clark Nora MacDonald

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: Robert McMenamin anniversary
Wednesday: Paul McQueen anniversary
Thursday: Marjory Mitchell anniversary
Friday: Robert Siddons & Raymond Kerr anniversary
Saturday: Esther Uphill anniversary
Sunday: For the Parish

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

Times of Mass and Services
5th - 11th November 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 10 am
Saturday Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

Morning Mass confessions and exposition **on Saturdays** now alternate between St Andrew's and St Teresa's. Mass on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays will be in St Teresa's and Mass on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays will be 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

Holyday 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 . November
In the Service of Peace

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

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.

Younger Parishioners

Just to confirm what I mentioned at the end of Mass on All Saints day. Any younger parishioner or young adult who wishes to participate more fully at Mass and in the life of the parish will be accommodated. There are a variety of ways of helping and serving the parish, readers, Eucharistic ministers, welcomers, altar servers, sacristans. The children working towards their Pope Francis award scheme already volunteer for parish ministries. Please give serious thought to serving the parish. Teachers and parents please encourage and lead by example as well.

Invitation

The Church of Scotland (for Balmaclellan & Kells) are to hold their Annual Fellowship Dinner at the Ken Bridge Hotel, New Galloway 7:15 pm on Monday 5th November. The guest speaker this year will be John Deighan of SPUC (Scotland). This has been arranged in conjunction with our Deanery Inter Parish Pro Life Group and all are invited so please come along and support this event - Afterwards an offering will be taken up for the work of SPUC - Tickets are £14 - Please Contact Dr David Bartholomew (01644) 430380 or dhbart@care4free.net to book a place.

Afternoon Tea

St Teresa's apologise that their 'Strictly Afternoon Tea' had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

Saint Andrew's

Meetings

The Ladies Circle meets on Tuesday at the Brigend Theatre, 7 for 7.30.

The SSVP will meet on Thursday 15th November at 7.30 pm in the church house.

Altar Servers

Anyone who has made their First Holy Communion (P 5 and above) and wishes to be an altar server please let Fr Gerald know and training will be arranged.

St Mary's New Abbey

The next meeting is on Thursday 22nd November at 12.30pm in the Thomas Bagnall centre when Francis Toolis will give a talk on icons. As usual, we shall have lunch together first. Please bring something to share.

Remembrance service

St Michael's & South have a service at 6pm on Sunday 11 November in commemoration of the Great War.

Friday Soup Lunches

St John's next Friday Soup Lunches are on Friday 9 November from 12noon till 1.30pm.

200 Club, October draw

1	110	Gerald Ondi	£10
2	48	James Hairstains	£25
3	130	Emma Robbins	£50

Weekly Collection

The collection last week was £988.66. Parishioners gave £132.37 to the St Vincent de Paul. The Jars of Hope increased by £24 to £113. Thank you.

November Mass for the Deceased of the Parishes

The annual Mass for the deceased will be held in St Andrew's on Wednesday 21st November and in St Columba's on Thursday 22nd November at 7 pm. At the Masses a candle will be lit and placed on the altar for each parishioner who has died in the past year and one for all our family and friends who have died.

Sacramental Preparation

The Sacrament of Confirmation in the Diocese of Galloway is celebrated by children who have just begun Primary 4. There is a sacramental preparation programme in St Andrew's Primary and St Columba's Primary. As with the last two years the Diocese creates the Confirmation calendar and the date has already been fixed. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in St Andrew's Dumfries for all the candidates from St Andrew's, St Columba's, St Teresa's, Holy Trinity and St Luke's on **Tuesday 26th February 2019 at 7pm**

The sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated by the same children later in the year at a date to be arranged.

St Andrew's Night, 30th November

Very pleased to say that Bishop Nolan will be with us on that day to celebrate Mass at 7 pm for our Patronal Saint.

Two Parish Social Events for two parishes!!

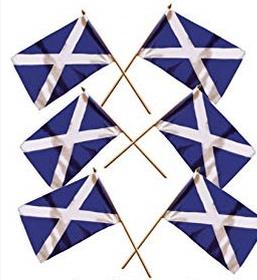
'**Folk from Girvan**' Entertain; we will have a concert of music and song on Friday 16th November in St Andrew's hall from 7.30 pm. Tickets are £5 with all proceeds going to Galloway Lourdes Hospitalite. Bring your own refreshments and snacks - and your singing voices. Tickets from the bookstall.

On St Andrew's night, Friday 30th November, we will have a musical evening in St Andrew's hall to raise funds for the St Vincent De Paul Society.

'Talent' from both parishes have promised their services - pipers, ukulele band, singers, pianists ... The concert starts around 7.30/8 pm after Mass. Snacks and nibbles provided but bring your own refreshments. George

Murray would also welcome some raffle prizes.

***Tickets for both events are now on sale
See you all there.***



Saint Columba's

Sacramental Preparation

Sacramental Preparation Meeting for parents on Tuesday evening at 6pm in St Columba's school

Samaritans Purse

Just a reminder, start looking out your items for the annual shoe box appeal. Boxes will be in church ready to fill in next few weeks.

Weekly Collection

The collection last week was £348.60. The SCIAF door collection was £41.70 Thank you.