



The Parishes of St Andrew's, Dumfries, and St Columba's, Annan

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Parish Bulletin

2nd/3rd Srptember 2017

Twenty second Sunday of the Year

(Year A)

Today's Liturgy

Eucharistic Prayer I

Readings

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Romans 12:1-2

Matthew 16:21-27

Spoken Psalm Response

For you my soul is thirsting, O L:ord, my God.

Readings for Next Sunday

23rd Sunday in Ordinary time

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Romans 13:8-10

Matthew 18:15-20

Spoken Psalm Response

O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.

Pope Francis' intention in September for Parishes.

that our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.



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

Amalia Tamburrini
Gavin Russell
May Pratt
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.

Times of Mass and Services 4th—10th September 2017

Tuesday

Mass in 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

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

Mass in St Teresa's at 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

Between 5-5.30 pm Saturday

and on request at any other suitable time

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

After Mass on 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, 5 pm in St Andrew's

Father Gerald's Mass intentions for this week

Tuesday: Dr McAvoy

Wednesday: Mary Buchanan

Thursday: Rev Charles McFadden

Friday: Thomas Casey

Saturday: Intention

Sunday: For the Parish
and Peter Kane (Annan)

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.

Retired Priests Fund

There will be a special collection at all Masses on the weekend, of 9th/10th September for the retired priests fund. This collection can be Gift Aided and the envelopes are at the back of the church.

Parish Ministries

The perpetual appeal is made for all ministries in the parish; Ministers of the Word, Ministers of the Eucharist and Altar Servers. All young people (or indeed not so young!) who have made their First Communion are welcome to volunteer.

Ecumenical Songs of Praise

An Ecumenical Songs of Praise is planned on Sunday 15th October in the afternoon to mark 120 years since the dedication of the Crichton Memorial Church, Dumfries. It is hoped to form a band of musicians and singers for this event. Readers are also required for the Service. More details will follow but if you are interested have a word with Fr Gerald..

Bulletin preparation

Next Friday Mary will be preparing the bulletins for the following TWO weeks so please get any articles in by Friday morning. (Yes, another holiday, what is the world coming to!!)

Saint Andrew's

Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday 5th September at 7 pm in the church house.

St Vincent de Paul will meet on Wednesday 6th September at 7.30 pm in the Church house

Ladies Circle recommences on Tuesday 12th September at 7.30pm, new members very welcome.

Choir Practice

Choir practice resumes on Wednesday 13th September at 7pm in the hall. Existing members and anyone who is interested in joining the choir are asked to come along. All welcome.

Ninian Club

The Ninian Club prepares the children who do not attend a Catholic School for the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. Any children of primary four age must attend this Club in order to be considered for the Sacraments in 2018. The first meeting will be on Saturday 9th September at 11.15 am in the Hall.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

The Children's Liturgy of the word has resumed after a Summer break. If you wish to lend a hand with the Liturgy please speak to Ana Price.

200 club, August draw

1	154	Susan Walls	£10
2	51	John Hill	£25
3	84	Elizabeth McColm	£50

Teas and Coffees

Teas and coffees are offered after Mass on Sunday mornings, please come along. If you are new to the parish come and meet new friends among the parish community. All visitors to the parish are welcome.

Weekly Collection

Last week's collection came to £900.74. Parishioners gave £79.11 to the St Vincent de Paul. The Jars of Hope fund increased by £31 and now stands at £545. Thank you.

Sacramental Preparation

In the Diocese of Galloway the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion are celebrated by children in Primary 4. Preparation is done at home, and at school for those attending a Catholic school and provision is made in both parishes for those who do not attend a Catholic Primary. There is a meeting for parents of candidates on **Tuesday 19th September in St Andrew's Primary School at 6.30pm** for St Andrew's Parish and on **Sunday 24th September at 1pm (i.e. after Mass) in St Columba's Annan.**

Confirmation

The date for Confirmation is set by the Bishop and in this deanery will be **Tuesday 27th February 2018 at 7pm in St Teresa's Church.**

Mary's Meals Rags to Riches Campaign

the Rags to Riches clothing and textile collection van will come to **both churches** on the weekend of 10th September. As usual, for those who come to the Vigil Mass at St Andrew's, you can leave your donations in the hall on the Saturday evening.

Remember, textiles only, no shoes, books, bric a brac ...

Saint Columba's

Date for your Diary

Our next fundraising Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 16th September in the Market Hall, Annan.



Church cleaning

We are looking for volunteers to help with the church cleaning, can you help?

We meet every second Wednesday from 10am until 11.30am. If we can get enough people involved we can set up a rota. Please contact Geraldine or Phyllis if you can help. Many thanks.

Ninian Club.

Children of Primary 4 and above, who are not in attendance at a Catholic School and who wish to prepare for Confirmation and Holy Communion next year, should come along to the Ninian Club's first meeting on Sunday 10th September. Lessons take place each Sunday during school term times, after the 12 noon Mass until 2pm.

For further information contact Pat McElhone on 01461 203353.

100+ Club

The August £50 winner is Number 42 Mr. T. Reilly **New members are always welcome** to join the 100 Club. It costs £2 per month and you get the chance to win £50—and help with church finds at the same time. Speak to Mary Reilly if you are interested, and good luck!

Weekly Collection

Last week's collection came to £328.97 and the SCIAF door collection raised £82.21. The Jars of Hope fund stands at £305.

Stay and Play Sessions

Fancy a bit of messy play with your child, while making some new friends. St Andrew's Nursery are holding Stay and Play Sessions for children aged birth to 3 years in the Upper Hall, Brooke Street. The next block will resume on **Friday 1st September** for a block of 7 weeks, 9.30 to 11 am. The cost is £21.00 for this block. If interested contact Fiona Douglas on 07759571198 or 07817636212