

Parish Ministers' Rota
8th October 2017 (Twenty- seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A)

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	M.McKenna, E.Campbell, G.Traynor	P.Devine
9.30am St Mary's	C.Cairns (B), B.Devlin (A)	H.Bradley
11 am St Aidan's	J.Pearson, J.Devanny, M.McDowell	A.McCrossan*, M.Clark
4.30 pm St Mary's	J.McLeish	J.McCall

TODAY'S READINGS

The context for today's Gospel is the mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders. Jesus has entered Jerusalem and overturned the money changers' tables in the Temple. Jesus has caught the attention of the religious authorities; the chief priests and elders question Jesus about the source of his authority. Jesus refuses to name for these religious leaders the source of his authority. Instead, he questions the priests and elders through the parable we hear in today's Gospel. The answer given by the religious leaders is correct, but it convicts them for their failure to heed the call of John the Baptist and for their inability to recognise the Kingdom of God.

The situation Jesus poses is rather straightforward. Given the same task by their father, one son asserts his disobedience in words, but then obeys in his actions; the second son obeys with his words, but disobeys in his actions. The question that Jesus poses is pointed and direct: Which son did what the father wanted? All would agree that "actions speak louder than words" and that even if his words were disobedient, the son who did the work as ordered did the father's will.

Jesus' conclusion is also direct. The chief priests and elders, the ones who speak most often about God, did not act accordingly. They did not respond to the message of repentance announced by John the Baptist with a change of heart. Instead, John's message was heeded by those one would not expect to repent—tax collectors, prostitutes, and other sinners. Because of their actions, these sinners will enter the Kingdom of God ahead of the religious leaders.

Jesus could ask us the same question. Do our words indicate our obedience to God? If not our words, do our actions? God desires a full conversion of heart, that our actions (and our words as well) will give evidence of our love for God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

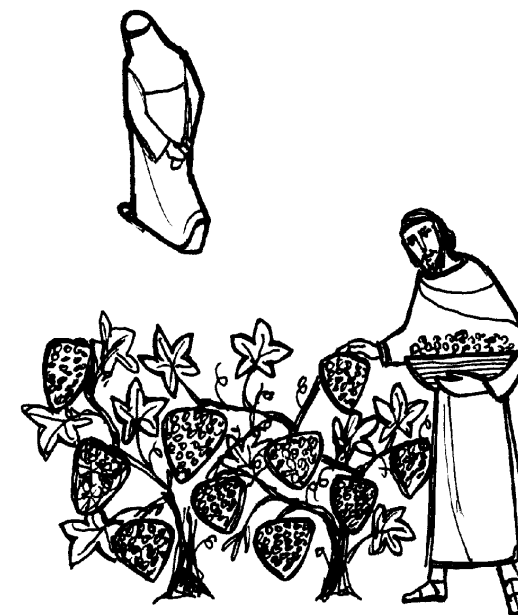
First Reading:	Ezekiel 18: 25-28
Response to the Psalm:	Remember your mercy, Lord.
Second Reading:	Philippians 2:1-11
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, Alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!
Gospel:	Matthew 21:28-32

St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year A

Twenty -sixth Sunday of the Year

1st October 2017



"He thought better of it and went."

Parish Priest: Rev. Liam O'Connor
St Mary's Presbytery
78 Main Street, Cleland. ML1 5QR
Tel. (01698) 860254
email: aidanswishaw@gmail.com



'St Mary's Cleland and St Aidan's Wishaw'

Scottish Registered Charity No: 11041

TWENTY SIXTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR 1

Wed 4th Oct, Memorial of St Francis of Assisi. The son of a wealthy merchant, Francis responded to the Lord's call, embraced poverty and preached the love of God to all. He founded the Order of Franciscans and also helped St Clare establish the Poor Clares. He carried the wounds of the crucified Lord (the stigmata).

Sat 7th Oct, Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. Pope Benedict XVI suggests that every October, Our Lady is inviting us through praying the Rosary to rediscover the beauty of this simple yet profound meditation on Sacred Scripture.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Gerard O'Neill, Jim Nolan, David Beck, Mary Theresa McCormick, Cathie Bryce, Cathie McConnachie, Cecilia Moore, Lynne Watters, Mary Kelly, Ellen Dunn, John Lochrie, Anne Roarty, Bernard Gallacher, John Friary, Catherine Grant, George McKinney, Bridget McNally, Mary Lambert, Peter McGhee and Etta Docherty who are sick.

Anne McDade who has died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of: **Nan Devine, Ian McGarry, Rebecca-Louise Naules, Joe & Margaret Gibson, Margaret O'Kane, Robert McWhinnie, Jimmy & Annie Delaney, Susan Burns, Thomas & Margaret Ryce, Kathleen Kennah and Brennan & Bryce Families.**

ST AIDAN'S CHURCH CLEANERS

The next date for cleaning is **Friday 6th October.** The cleaning will take be at **9.30am** as it is the **First Friday.**

More volunteers would really be appreciated.

FURNITURE COLLECTION
DIOCESAN SVDP
07773731123 or 07749467335

NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN

All notices for the Bulletin, including intimations, should be received by Wednesday evening.

WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

Contact Fr Ricklan Mallya, RC Chaplain, either by phoning the hospital (361100) or St Bernadette's (263945).

FASHION SHOW

Wednesday 18th October

Following on from the success of the last Fashion show and by requests from parishioners who attended that show, the Hall Committee has organised a further event. Tickets £3 can be obtained from Janet Doherty (357756) or Bridie Moulds (385506) or in the Church Hall after 11am Mass.

Please arrive by 7pm as the show will start promptly at 7.30pm.

PAUSE FOR HOPE

The Knights of St Columba are sponsoring a Pause for Hope Prayer Service in **Motherwell Cathedral on Thursday 12th October at 7pm.** This ecumenical service is especially for anyone affected by cancer, either as a patient or a family member or friend.

THE SOCIETY OF THE INNOCENTS ANNUAL TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

followed by Mass then tea in the Xavier Centre
Monday 2nd October 2017
St Francis Xavier Church 7:30pm.
All are welcome!

200 CLUB WINNERS

No:	101 J. Brunton	£70
	057 G. McKenna	£20
	108 M. Devine	£10

DIOCESE OF MOTHERWELL DIOCESAN RETREAT

Saturday 7th – Sunday 8th October
Xavier Centre Carfin

OPEN TO ANYONE OVER 16 YEARS

Retreat leader is Fr. Daniel O'Leary. Full programme will be given when you book. To book email missions@rcdom.org.uk or call Margaret Docherty on 01698 269114

PARISH OF ST MARY'S AND ST AIDAN'S MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday		Weekday	
St Aidan's:	5pm Vigil Mass	Monday:	St Mary's 10am
St Mary's:	9.30am Mass	Tuesday:	St Aidan's 10am
St Aidan's:	11am Mass	Wednesday:	St Mary's 10am
St Mary's:	4.30pm Mass	Thursday:	St Aidan's 10am
			St Mary's 7pm (<i>Latin Mass</i>)
		Friday:	St Mary's 10am
		Saturday:	St Aidan's 10am

First Friday of the Month (during term time) St Mary's 10am St Aidan's 11am

Confessions: After weekday Masses in relevant church.
Saturday: 4.30pm – 4.50pm and after Vigil Mass in St Aidan's.
Thursday Evening: 6.30pm – 7pm in St Mary's before Latin Mass

Baptisms

St Aidan's Church 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 12 noon
St Mary's Church 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm
To arrange please contact: **Fr O'Connor Tel: (01698) 860254.**

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

The children from both Primary Schools will attend mass on Friday 6th.
St Mary's 10am St Aidan's 11am.
Everyone is welcome.

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

Each Thursday in the month of October there shall be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with recitation of the Holy Rosary from 6.30pm-7pm in St. Mary's Church. Confession is also available at this time.

POPE FRANCIS' MISSION INTENTION
October 2017

Pope Francis asks us to join with him this month in praying:
That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

TODAY IS

ROLL n SAUSAGE SUNDAY

Please support the Hall Committee as they are raising funds for the continual renovation of the Hall.

FEAST OF SAINT THERESE OF LISIEUX LITTLE FLOWER SUNDAY
1st OCTOBER

A torchlight Rosary Procession will take place at **7pm in the Grotto**, and then move to the Parish Church for an opportunity to individually venerate the Relic of Saint Thérèse. The evening will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Should the weather be inclement, then the Procession will take place in the Parish Church. **All welcome.**

SVDP HELPLINE

If you require the services of the SVDP you can contact a member by phoning **07561843580.**

PARISH NOTICES

The Stall is open in St Aidan's Hall after 11am Mass.
The Morning Café is open in St Aidan's Hall after 10am Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Indoor Bowling Club meets in St Aidan's Hall on Tuesdays 1.30pm - 3pm. **New members welcome!**
St Mary's Rosary Group meets in St Mary's every Tuesday evening at 7.30pm. **All welcome!**
The CADALBA Group meets in St Aidan's Hall on Wednesdays 11.15am. TAI CHI class follows 1.15pm – 2.15pm. **All welcome!**
The Men's Club meets in St Aidan's Hall every Thursday at 7.30pm. **New members welcome.**
Hall Bookings for St Aidan's Hall: Phone Cathy McCallum (01698 383553)