

Parish Ministers' Rota
12th February 2017 (Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A)

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	S.Corr, P.Devine, E.Campbell	K.Cassidy*, M.McCardie
9.30am St Mary's	R.Heaney(A), E.McBride(B)	J.Smyth
11 am St Aidan's	E.Hamilton, J.Fox, A.McCrossan	J.Sneddon, R.Fox*
4.30 pm St Mary's	C.Cairns	C.Cairns

TODAY'S GOSPEL

Following upon the teaching of the Beatitudes, Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus' time for flavouring, as a preservative, and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

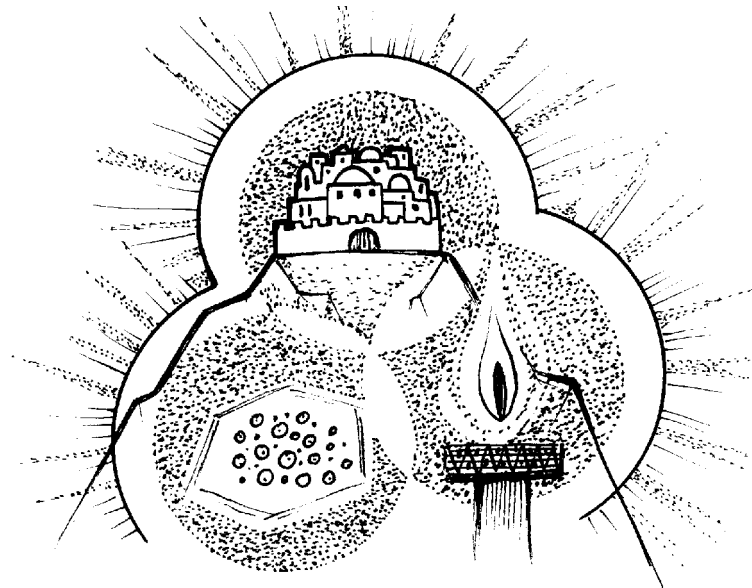
Still, our familiarity with this passage from Matthew's Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden!

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:	Isaiah 58:7-10
Response to the Psalm:	The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.
Second Reading:	1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!
Gospel:	Matthew 5: 13-16

St Mary's and St Aidan's
Year A
Fifth Sunday of the Year

5th February 2017



"You are the light of the world."

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

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FIFTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR 1

Mon 6th Feb, Memorial of St Paul Miki and Companions. St Paul Miki was the son of a Japanese military leader. He became a Jesuit in 1859 and was known for his eloquent preaching. He and 25 other Catholics were crucified during the persecution of Christians in the name of the Japanese emperor. They were all canonised as the Martyrs of Japan in 1862.

Fri 10th Feb, Memorial of St Scholastica, twin sister of St Benedict. The siblings were quite close but the rules of their respective Orders prevented them from entering the other's monastery. According to St Gregory, they met each other once a year at a house near Benedict's monastery.

Sat 11th Feb, Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. On this day in 1858, Our Lady first appeared to Bernadette. Today is also **World Day of the Sick**, instituted in 1992 by Pope John Paul II to be held on the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Gerard O'Neill, Jim Nolan, David Beck, Michael Harkins, Mary Theresa McCormick (Hendry), Cathie McConnachie, Cathie Bryce, Cecilia Moore (Donnelly), Patrick Miller, Lynne Watters (Hattie), Mary Kelly, John Lochrie, Anne Roarty, Ellen Dunn, Bernard Gallacher, Catherine Grant, John Friary, Marie Tress McGhee, Anne Connor and Nan Devine who are sick.

Mrs O'Farrell (Fr O'Farrell's mum), Susie Hyslop, Jim Warden, Emma Taylor, Hugh McCann, Isa McKay, Ann Hickey and Charlie Bradley who have died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of: **Sadie Creechan, Annie & Thomas McGinn and the McGinn Family, Catherine & Peter Dunn and the Dunn Family, William & Margaret Colston, John Francis Feenan, John Higgins, John Burns, Edward Shea, Bridget Brennan and Betty Taylor.**

WHITE MASS FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS & THE WORK OF HEALTHCARE IN SCOTLAND

12pm Sunday 12th February
St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh.
Reception afterwards in the Camino Café within the Cathedral.
To book places and for more information email: scottishcma@gmail.com

Contact for SVDP furniture uplift tel. 07773731123 and 07749467335

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION ENROLMENT MASSES

St Aidan's Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Enrolment Mass: Tuesday 7th Feb 7pm

St Mary's Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation Enrolment Mass for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Monday 6th February 6.30pm

Enrolment Mass for Confirmation

Monday 27th February 7pm

PARISH ENROLMENT FOR SACRAMENTS

Parents who have still to enrol their children for the Sacraments with the Parish can fill out the form after Masses this weekend.

CRIB APPEAL

The collection for St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society came to £611.75.

Thank You!

POPE FRANCIS' MISSION INTENTION February 2017

Pope Francis asks us to join with him this month in praying:
That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalised, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

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

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

Sunday

St Aidan's: 5pm Vigil Mass
St Mary's: 9.30am Mass
St Aidan's: 11am Mass
St Mary's: 4.30pm Mass

Weekday

Monday: St Mary's 10am
Tuesday: St Aidan's 10am
Wednesday: St Mary's 10am
Thursday: St Aidan's 10am
St Mary's 7pm (*Latin Mass*)
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.

Sunday:

4pm – 4.20pm in St Mary's.

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.**

A CALL TO PRIESTHOOD

"Do you feel called to the Priesthood? The preparation period for accepting candidates for the seminary applicant's year begins with informal talks and discussion over the pre-Easter period. If you are interested in finding out more about Diocesan Priesthood within Motherwell Diocese, please contact Fr. Brian Lamb at St. Joseph's, Blantyre (01698 823896) to discuss the way ahead. Even if you are not looking towards immediate application, please get in touch to start dialogue.

For any interested, there will be an informal meeting in St. Joseph's, Blantyre on **Thursday 9th February at 7.30pm.**

PRIESTS FOR SCOTLAND

A very interesting and informative newsletter is available at the back of the Church. A number of Scottish seminarians describe their call to the Priesthood. We continue to pray that many young men will respond to God's call. Please take a copy home and share it with as many people as possible.

"TINY TOTS" DONATION

Thank you to the "Tiny Tots" for the donation of **£400** to **St Aidan's Church** for use of the Church Hall.

The "Tiny Tots" meet every Monday and Thursday afternoon during term time. There are a few places available on each day.

TODAY IS..... ROLLS n SAUSAGE SUNDAY.

Everyone is welcome. Please come in and enjoy, knowing that all proceeds go to the renovation and upkeep of the Hall. Funds are needed to enable the hall to be painted. Every Roll and Sausage you buy helps the upkeep of our hall.

LINDISFARNE CAFÉ

Tea, coffee, rolls n sausage, bacon butties and homebaking are being served in the hall after 11am Mass next week.

THANK YOU!

Janette would like to thank all the girls in the Lindisfarne Café and also the patrons who attend the Café for the lovely cards and presents she received on the occasion of her **70th Birthday**. Holy Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

Ad multos annos, Janette!

