

**Parish Ministers' Rota**  
**12<sup>th</sup> November 2017 (Thirty second Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A)**

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	M.McKenna, E.Campbell, G.Traynor	N.Welsh*, N.Carroll
9.30am St Mary's	C Nicol (A), G Brawley (B)	J.Smyth
11 am St Aidan's	J.Fox, A.McCrossan, E.Grattan	P.Boyle
4.30 pm St Mary's		J.McCall

**TODAY'S READINGS.**

Today's Gospel continues to elaborate on the tension between Jesus and the scribes and Pharisees. Our Lectionary sequence at this point, however, is not quite a continuous reading of Matthew. In between last week's reading from Matthew and this week's, we find Jesus' question to the Pharisees about the Messiah being "David's son." Having concluded a series of dialogues with the Pharisees and other religious leaders, Jesus now directs his words to the crowds, warning them not to follow the example of the scribes and Pharisees.

The scribes and Pharisees were teachers of the Mosaic Law. They were entrusted with its interpretation and, thus, were influential in determining Jewish practice. In order to appreciate the conflict that is evident in this passage, we must understand that Jesus was basing his teachings on the same laws and traditions available to the Pharisees. Both were interpreting the Law of Moses in order to better adapt it to contemporary Jewish life. The differences between their teachings, therefore, are often highlighted and amplified by Matthew.

This part of Matthew's Gospel reflects aspects of the conflict between his Christian community and Pharisaic Judaism. Matthew's Church is thought to have included many Jewish Christians who may not have believed that a break with the synagogue was necessary to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus tells the crowd that it is correct to do and observe what the scribes and Pharisees teach; it is their example that is to be avoided, namely, their love of being honoured and exalted. Hence, the Gospel reflects the tension of an active internal debate within the early Church.

Jesus references two aspects of Jewish spiritual life prescribed by the Law of Moses. Phylacteries are small boxes which contain Scripture verses that are placed on the left forearm and forehead. Tassels refer to the fringes worn on the corners of a person's garments; the tassels help to remind those who wear them to keep the commandments.

The warning Jesus gives against seeking places of honour in the community was directed as much toward the Christian community as the named Jewish leaders. Indeed, it is a warning that resonates with us today. Christian leadership is a call to service for the glory of God; those who would be leaders among us must, like Jesus, be servants of all

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

<b>First Reading:</b>	Malachi 1:14-2:2.8-10
<b>Response to the Psalm:</b>	<b>Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.</b>
<b>Second Reading:</b>	1 Thessalonians 2:7-9.13
<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b>	<b>Alleluia, Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!</b>
<b>Gospel:</b>	Matthew 23:1-12

# *St Mary's and St Aidan's*

*Year A*

## *Thirty-first Sunday of the Year*

*5<sup>th</sup> November 2017*



*“They do not practise what they preach.”*

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### THIRTY-FIRST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR 1

**Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Nov, Memorial of Blessed John Duns Scotus** (1226 – 1308), Franciscan Priest and Theologian. Drawing on the work of John Duns Scotus, Pope Pius IX solemnly defined the dogma of the Immaculate Conception of Mary in 1854.

**Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Nov, Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica.** We celebrate the Dedication of the Basilica of St John Lateran in Rome because it is the head and mother church of all churches in the world. Every bishop has a cathedral and the Pope's cathedral is the Basilica of St. John Lateran not the Basilica of St. Peter as many people think.

**Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Nov, Memorial of St Leo the Great**, born in Tuscany and Pope between 440 and 461. During the 5<sup>th</sup> Century Barbarian Invasion, he persuaded Attila the Hun to turn back at the gates of Rome.

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Nov, Memorial of St Martin of Tours.** Martin was a Bishop of Tours, whose shrine in France became a famous stopping-point for pilgrims on the road to Santiago de Compostela.

### 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 Etta Docherty, Rose O'Donnell and Elaine Farrell Cleary who are sick.

Kathleen O'Neill and Thomas Boyle who have died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of: Annie Melly, James Armstrong, Catherine Bryce, Sonny Bryce, Eddie Brennan, Brennan Family, James Bryce, Frank Jordan, Mary Jordan, John Jordan, Thomas McKenna, McKenna Family, Moran Family, Susan Pow, Dominic & Mary Nolan, John and Jessie Mullen, James and Jessie Duffy, Mary Duffy, Michael Nolan, Catherine and Alexander Gibb.

### CAFÉ IN THE HALL AFTER 11am MASS

Today is an afternoon tea in aid of the APD Program and is a ticket only event.

### POPE FRANCIS' MISSION INTENTION November 2017

Pope Francis asks us to join with him this month in praying:  
*That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.*

### ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE

This Mass will, this year, take place in **St Ignatius Church, Wishaw** on **Tuesday 28th November at 12 noon.** Bishop Toal will be the main celebrant. Amongst all the deceased priests of the diocese, we shall remember especially: **Fr Jim Naughton, Canon Paddy McGovern and Mgr Jack Burns**, all three having died during the past year.

### ST AIDAN'S HALL KEY

The hall key for St Aidan's Church Hall has been mislaid. Will all hall users please check their pockets, bags etc to ensure that they haven't mistakenly taken the key away with them.  
If found the key should be returned to Cathy McCallum or to Fr O'Connor.

### Jimmy Delaney C.S.C. Annual Charity Race Night

The Annual Charity Race Night will be held in Kelly's Bar on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November starting at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and support this event. All Money raised will be distributed to local good causes. . Entertainment for the evening is from the Jai McAdam.

### 200 CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS

Have you fallen behind with your monthly payments for the 200 Club?

A wee reminder, that in order to pay out, the subscriptions need to be paid in.

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

<b>Sunday</b>		<b>Weekday</b>	
<b>St Aidan's:</b>	5pm Vigil Mass	Monday:	St Mary's 10am
<b>St Mary's:</b>	9.30am Mass	Tuesday:	St Aidan's 10am
<b>St Aidan's:</b>	11am Mass	Wednesday:	St Mary's 10am
<b>St Mary's:</b>	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
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### First Friday of the Month (during term time)

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

### BISHOP TOAL'S ANNUAL PASTORAL VISIT 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

Bishop Toal will celebrate at all four Masses during the weekend of **25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> November.**

### ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS SHOP 6<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> November 2017 10am – 4pm (Saturday 10am – 12noon)

### Wishaw Old Parish Church Halls

New and nearly new gifts – toys, children's books, toiletries, gift sets, jewellery at low, low prices. All proceeds to local charities. There will also be a collection point for the foodbank throughout the week.

**There will be a box at the back of St Aidan's Church for groceries (tins, packets etc) for the foodbank.**

### SVDP HELPLINE

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

### NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN

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

### Month of the Holy Souls

Through the month of November we pray for the Holy Souls. Holy Mass is offered each day for those included in the November Lists. November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the commemoration of the Faithful departed or All Souls Day. Bearing in mind that not everyone can be managed to Mass that day, we will remember in a particular way those who died throughout the past year, and all of our loved ones, at Masses on the weekend of 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> November, on the same day we remember those who died in armed conflict.

**Cemetery Service: There will be Holy Rosary and prayers this Sunday at 3.00pm in Cambusnethan Cemetery**

### CONSULTATION MEETING

**Re amalgamation of St Aidan's and St Mary's.** Bishop Toal has arranged a meeting in **St Mary's Parochial Hall for Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm** concerning the amalgamation of St Mary's and St Aidan's.  
**Please try to attend this important meeting.**

### WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

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

### 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. 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 Cathv McCallum (01698 383553)**