

Parish Ministers' Rota
20th August 2017 (Twentieth Sunday of the Ordinary Time Year A)

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

TODAY'S READINGS

Today's Gospel directly follows the account of Jesus feeding a crowd of more than 5,000 with just five loaves and two fish. For the sake of the crowds, Jesus had postponed his time of solitude. Now, he finds some time for quiet and prayer. He sends his disciples ahead of him by boat, dismisses the crowds, and withdraws to the mountain to pray.

The disciples do not fare well. They struggle to weather the wind and waves, making little progress in their journey. We are reminded of a previous story of Matthew's Gospel, when Jesus calms the seas. This time, however, Jesus does not calm the seas, and the disciples do not express fear until they see Jesus walking toward them on the water. In this story it is not the storm that is feared but the sight of Jesus before them, whom they mistake for a ghost. Clues like these suggest that this story is about the disciples' growing understanding of the identity of Jesus. In continuity with the feeding of the multitude, today's Gospel is also about what the disciples' faith in Jesus will enable them to do. In the Gospel of the feeding of the 5000, when the disciples see the crowds, they ask Jesus to send the crowds away. Jesus turns the situation around, telling the disciples to feed the crowd with the provisions that they have. Both of these Gospels tell us much about ministry.

Jesus calls to the disciples and calms their fears. He is not a ghost. The impulsive Peter seeks proof that the person is indeed Jesus. He asks Jesus to call him out onto the water, and Jesus grants this request. Peter's fear and doubt overtake him, however, once he is walking on the water. Jesus reaches out to Peter and saves him. When Jesus and Peter enter the boat, Matthew reports that the wind ceases, and the disciples confess that Jesus is the Son of God. Faith in Jesus will enable the disciples to do the work that Jesus has done. Peter walks on water. The five loaves and two fish feed a multitude of people. The disciples can and will participate in the work of the kingdom of heaven. When Peter fears and doubts the person of Jesus, however, he falters. Peter's example teaches us that true Christian ministry emerges from the faith that Jesus is the Messiah, God's only Son.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:	1 Kings 19:9.11-13
Response to the Psalm:	Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.
Second Reading:	Romans 9:1-5
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens. Alleluia!
Gospel:	Matthew 14:22-23

St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year A

Nineteenth Sunday of the Year

13th August 2017



“Tell me to come to you across the water.”

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NINETEENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR 1

Mon 14th August, Memorial of St Maximilian Kolbe. Maximilian Kolbe was a Polish Franciscan friar most famous for volunteering to die in place of a stranger at the Auschwitz concentration camp. He was canonised by the Catholic Church on October 10, 1982 by Pope John Paul II, and declared a martyr of charity. Although the canonisation of St. Maximilian Kolbe is uncontroversial, his recognition as a martyr is, given that a Christian martyr is one who is killed in *odium Fidei*, and Kolbe wasn't assassinated strictly out of hatred for the Faith.

Tues 15th August, Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. (HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION). The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life is a defined dogma of the Catholic Church. On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII, exercising papal infallibility, declared in "Munificentissimus Deus" that it is a dogma of the *Church "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."* As a dogma, the Assumption is a required belief of all Catholics; anyone who publicly dissents from the dogma, Pope Pius declared, "has fallen away completely from the divine and Catholic Faith."

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, Nan Devine, Catherine Grant, George McKinney, Bridget McNally, Mary Lambert, Peter McGhee and Pat McGoldrick who are sick.

Mary McLaughlin who has died

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of:
Gerard McGuinness, Frank Welsh, Patrick Mallon, Jean Callander, Mary Mallon, Frankie King, Hannah Cairney and Patrick Cairney

PRIZE BINGO NIGHT

FRIDAY 1st SEPTEMBER

Tickets are available by phoning **Maureen Murray (07906284938)**.

WELCOME BACK!

A very warm welcome back to our teachers after their well deserved holiday. Welcome back also to the pupils (*on Thursday - just in case any parent had forgotten*). Although the weather has not been good during the summer, we hope that staff and pupils all had the chance to refuel their batteries for the coming session and we hope that they have a very fruitful year.
A big welcome also to all the new starts.

ST AIDAN'S YOUTH CLUB

Registration night: **Tues 22nd August 7pm – 8pm**
Registration Fee £3 to cover insurance
A maximum of 70 children can be registered so to secure a place early registration is essential.
The Youth Club will resume on **Tues 29th August 7pm – 9pm weekly fee £1.50.**

Additional adult volunteers are needed to ensure there is adequate supervision each night.

To volunteer please **phone Cathy (383553)** as **soon as possible** so that the appropriate paperwork is completed in time.

CADALBA

The Group will resume in St. Aidan's church hall on Wednesday 16 August at 11.15. Pop in for a tea or a coffee with us and find out what happens at CADALBA! **All welcome.**

Spaces are available on a ladies' retreat to Kinnoull, 8-10 October.

The retreat will be led by Fr. Tom MacCart, of the Redemptorist Order.

Full board accommodation in single en-suite bedrooms. Total cost including transport £186.

Interested? Contact Patricia (350418).

WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

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

SVDP HELPLINE

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

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.**

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

**Masses Tuesday St Aidan's 10am
Tuesday St Mary's 11am
Tuesday St Mary's 7pm**

A solemn Mass for the Feast with the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated in the Church of Saint Francis Xavier, Carfin at 1pm. Light refreshments will be served afterwards in the Xavier Centre. **All welcome.**

LATIN MASS

The celebration of the Latin Mass on Thursday evenings at 7pm will resume on the 17th Aug.

PARISH OUTING TO LINDISFARNE

The bus will leave St Aidan's no later than **8am**, immediately picking up at St Mary's.

There will be a short comfort stop in Dunbar (depending on road situations there may not be time for tea/coffee as we need to ensure that we are able to cross the causeway so you may wish to bring a snack).

Mass will be concelebrated in the Church of St Aidan by Fr O'Connor and Canon Clements.

This will not count as a Vigil Mass for Sunday.
4.30pm Board bus for Berwick for meal.

6.30pm – 7pm board bus for home.

Money for bus and where applicable High Tea on the bus that morning.

If for any reason you are no longer able to go please phone Anne (385292).

LINDISFARNE CAFÉ

Tea, coffee, rolls n sausage, bacon butties and homebaking will be served in the hall after 11am Mass next week. **All welcome!**

CARFIN GROTTTO VISIT OF THE NATIONAL STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Sunday 13th August 3pm

St Francis Xavier Church

Rosary & Act of Consecration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Confessions from 2pm – 2.45pm

TORCHLIGHT ROSARY PROCESSION AND HOLY MASS IN GROTTTO 7.30pm

**7th ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE FOR GRANDPARENTS
Sunday 20th August**

3pm Holy Mass with Sacrament of the Sick
4pm Rosary Procession and benediction
4.30pm Tea/Coffee in the Xavier Centre
Celebrant: Bishop Stephen Robson

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

This takes place on **Sunday 3rd September** with Mass at **3pm** and celebrates the centenary of the apparitions of our Blessed Lady at Fatima. The Pilgrim Statue of our Lady of Fatima which has been around all the Scottish dioceses will be venerated and Scotland will be consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN

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