

Parish Ministers' Rota
28th May 2017 (Seventh Sunday of Easter Year A)

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	E.Campbell, S.Corr, P.Devine	N.Welsh*, N.Carroll
9.30am St Mary's	C.Nicol (A), G.Brawley(B)	J.Smyth
11 am St Aidan's	J.Devanny, M.McDowell, P.O'Donnell	A.McCrossan*, M.Clark
4.30 pm St Mary's	C.Cairns	C.Cairns

TODAY'S GOSPEL

Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples, who will soon see him crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. Instead he will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus.

Jesus uses the term Advocate to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is Paraclete, a legal term meaning "one who offers defence for another." Jesus says that he will send "another Advocate." Jesus himself is the first advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father.

In today's reading Jesus contrasts his impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples will come to know and appreciate the unity of the Son and the Father. They will also understand that they too participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: "On that day you will realise that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you".

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal himself, and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
Response to the Psalm:	Cry out with joy to God all the earth.
Second Reading:	1 Peter 3:15-18
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him." Alleluia!
Gospel:	John 14:15-21

St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year A

Sixth Sunday of Easter

21st May 2017



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SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER YEAR 1

Thurs 25th May, Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION.

FRI 26th May, Memorial of St Philip Neri. Patron of Rome, born in Florence in 1515.

Philip was very serious about and spending hours in prayer. He was so easily carried away that he refused to preach in public and could not celebrate Mass with others around. But when asked how to pray, his answer was, "Be humble and obedient and the Holy Spirit will teach you."

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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

James McGraine who has died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of:

Patricia McManus (O'Neill), Arthur O'Neill, Thomas McManus, Sadie McAleer, Jimmy McDowell, Annie, George & James McCormick, George Doolan, Margaret Penn, Patrick Brennan, James Henderson, Jim Doolan, Winnie O'Neill, James & Mary McGhee, Agnes Bayne and James Kane.

POPE FRANCIS' MISSION INTENTION May 2017

Pope Francis asks us to join with him this month in praying:

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice and peace.

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.

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 .

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: All bookings must be made through **Cathy McCallum 01698 383553**. This applies to all Parish groups also.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

On World Communications Day, **7th Sunday of Easter**, a collection is taken up in all the Scottish Dioceses to fund the Scottish Catholic Media Office.

CONGRATULATIONS

Many congratulations to the 29 pupils of **St Mary's** who were confirmed on Thursday evening by Bishop Toal.

Congratulations also to the 34 children from **St Aidan's** who received the Blessed Sacrament for the first time on Saturday.

MASS OF ST FRANCIS

The Diocesan Choir with three school choirs are preparing to put on a performance of the Mass of St Francis by Philip Green. The four choirs will jointly perform the Mass in the Cathedral at **7.30pm on Thurs 8th June**.

MONSIGNOR JACK BURNS

Month's Mind Mass for Mgr. Jack Burns will take place in St. Bride's Bothwell, on Tuesday 23rd of May at 7.00pm

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.

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.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

St. Aidan's: Vigil, Wednesday 7pm
Thursday 10am

St. Mary's: Thursday 11am, Thursday
7pm(Latin)

PERMANENT DIACONATE PROGRAMME 'COME AND SEE' ENQUIRY NIGHTS

Come along to the Enquiry Nights without fear of any commitment to take things further. This is simply an informal evening to share information about the permanent diaconate and the present programme of formation leading to ordination as a permanent deacon.

(The permanent diaconate is open to all males over 25 years of age.)

Holy Family Parish Centre, Mossend, **Tuesday 30th May at 7.30pm**

St. Augustine's Parish Hall, Coatbridge, **Tuesday 6th June at 7.30pm.**

FASHION SHOW

St Aidan's Renovation Committee is having a Fashion Night on Friday 16th June.

It will start promptly at 7.30pm, therefore it would be appreciated if attendees could arrive by 7pm.

Tickets costing £3, which includes tea and cakes, can be obtained by phoning Janet on 357756 or Bridie on 07714 288188.

All proceeds to the continual improvement of the Church Hall.

LINDISFARNE CAFÉ

Tea, coffee, rolls n sausage, bacon butties and homebaking will be served in the hall after 11am Mass today.

There will be no Lindisfarne Café nor Roll n Sausage Sunday until after the First Communion Party.

Next Lindisfarne Café will be on Sunday 11th June and the next Roll n Sausage will be Sunday 2nd July.

ANNUAL IRISH DAY CARFIN GROTT Sunday, 4th June 2017

The Annual Irish Pilgrimage Day takes place at the Irish Shrine in Carfin Grotto.

Mass will be concelebrated on the Mass Rock at **3pm**. A warm welcome is extended to all who wish to join us for this celebration. In the case of inclement weather, Mass will be celebrated indoors.

