

Parish Ministers' Rota
5th November 2017 (Thirty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A)

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	G.Traynor, E.Campbell, S.Corr	P.Devine
9.30am St Mary's	B Devlin (A), C Cairns (B)	H.Bradley
11 am St Aidan's	M.McDowell, P.O'Donnell, E.Hamilton	C.Varghese*, B.Varghese
4.30 pm St Mary's		H.Law

TODAY'S READINGS.

This week's Gospel follows closely behind the Gospel read last Sunday. It is the last of three questions put to Jesus by Jewish religious leaders who are trying to trick him into saying something that might get him arrested. This reminds us that the context for today's reading is the mounting tension between Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem.

The Herodians and the Pharisees asked the first question, which was about taxes. The Sadducees asked the second question, which was about the Resurrection. The third question, considered in today's Gospel, is asked by a Pharisee who asks Jesus about the greatest of the commandments.

The question requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional rules, numbering over six hundred. Adherence to the Mosaic Law, for a devout Jew, is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of the Commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus answers the Pharisees' question with a two-fold summary. Jesus says that all of the commandments can be summarised in two commandments: love God and love your neighbour. Both of these were central elements of the religious tradition Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed these continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbour.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:	Exodus 22:20-26
Response to the Psalm:	I love you, Lord, my strength.
Second Reading:	1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, Alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!
Gospel:	Matthew 22:34-40

St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year A

Thirtieth Sunday of the Year

29th October 2017



*“You must love the Lord your God
and your neighbour as yourself.”*

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THIRTIETH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR 1

Wed 1st Nov, Solemnity of all Saints. TODAY IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.

Catholic saints are holy people who lived extraordinary lives. Each saint the Church honours responded to God's invitation to use his or her unique gifts. God calls each one of us to be a saint.

Thurs 2nd Nov, Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. The theological basis for this feast is the doctrine that the souls which, on departing from the body, are not perfectly cleansed from venial sins, or have not fully atoned for past transgressions, are debarred from the Beatific Vision, and that the faithful on earth can help them by prayers, almsgiving, good deeds and especially by offering up the sacrifice of the Mass.

Sat 4th Nov, Memorial of St Charles Borromeo. Cardinal Archbishop of Milan from 1564 to 1584 he was among the great reformers of the troubled sixteenth century. Borromeo, with St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Philip Neri, and others, led the movement to combat the inroads of the Protestant Reformation.

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 and Rose O'Donnell who are sick.

Laura Cliens, Tom Higgins, Charlie Dobbins and Margaret Nicol who have died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of: Maureen O'Neill, Mary Easton, the McNeill Family, The McGinn Family, Anna O'Rourke, Thomas Sneddon, Roddy, Theresa, Michael, Mary, Johnny, Dorothy, Mary & Liz O'Connor, George & Mary Seybourne, John, Bridget, John, Vera, Daniel, Susan, William, Joe, Andrew & Jean O'Neill, James McCready Snr & Jnr, Esther McCready, John McCready, Nancy McCready, William McCready, Esther & Willie McCready, Martin Galletly, Isobel & Pat McCready, Elizabeth McCready and John McKeown.

CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE

The Stall in the Hall has Christmas cards etc on sale at very reasonable prices. There are also Keep Christ in Christmas stickers to put on the envelopes.

WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

Contact Fr Ricklan Mallya, RC Chaplain, either by phoning the hospital (361100) or St Bernadette's (763945)

LAST WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION FOR MISSIO

Thank you for putting faith and action together by responding to Missio Scotland's World Mission Sunday Appeal.

Together as a parish we raised £1,444.78 Your generosity is helping the people of Uganda and beyond to celebrate and proclaim their faith by making a difference to the lives of many, like the children in Nsambya Babies Home.

YOU ARE INVITED

Jennifer and Niamh would like to invite you to an afternoon tea on **Sunday 5th November** at **12pm** in the church Hall.

All proceeds will go towards the APD fund. Tickets are £5, which includes a glass of prosecco, and are on sale in the hall after 11 o'clock mass or by contacting Maureen on 07906284938.

This is a ticket only event.

OUR LADY'S MUSICAL SOCIETY FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

Tuesday 7th – Saturday 11th November
Motherwell Civic Theatre

Tickets can be purchased from Eddie Pearson on 01698 386747 / 07817 275073.

200 CLUB SUBSCRIPTION

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

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
St Mary's 10am St Aidan's 11am

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 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.**

ALL SAINTS DAY

Wed 1st November

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION:

Mass times are the following:

Tuesday 31 October 7pm Vigil St Aidan's
Wednesday 10am St Mary's, 11am St Aidan's

ALL SOULS DAY

Thursday 2nd November

This is not a Holy Day of Obligation, however it is customary to celebrate three Masses this day and to make a special effort to pray for the Holy Souls.

Thursday 10am St Aidan's, 11am St Mary's
7pm St. Mary's (Extraordinary Form)
There will not be an 11am Mass in St Aidan's on Friday.

NOVEMBER LISTS

November Lists are available at back of each church. Mass is offered each day in the month of November to pray for the Holy Souls, please return names with Mass Offering (donation) for inclusion.

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.

ST AIDAN'S CHURCH CLEANERS

The next date for cleaning is **Friday 3rd November 10am. More cleaners needed.**

LINDISFARNE CAFÉ

Come in for the usual fayre after 11am Mass. **NEXT WEEK** is an afternoon tea in aid of the APD Program and is a ticket only event. Tickets available from Maureen (07906284938) or after 11am Mass this weekend.

CONSULTATION MEETING RE AMALGAMATION

OF ST MARY'S AND ST AIDAN'S
Bishop Toal has arranged a meeting in **St Mary's Parochial Hall** for **Monday 20th November** at **7pm** concerning the amalgamation of St Mary's and St Aidan's.

As it is impossible to get to Cleland by public transport at that time, a sheet will be up in St Aidan's Porch should you require a lift. You will need to put down your name by 1st November should you need transport.

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS SHOP

6th – 11th 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.

Wishaw Churches Together
Keeping CHRIST at the heart of Christmas

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