

**Parish Ministers' Rota**  
**11<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (Fourth Sunday of Lent. Year B)**

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	S.Corr, M.McKenna, D.Chalmers	N.Welsh*, N.Carroll
9.30am St Mary's	J.McLeish (B), E.Briody (A)	J.Canning
11 am St Aidan's	E.Hamilton, J.Fox, A.McCrossan	B.Moulds*, L.McCrum
4.30 pm St Mary's		J.McCall

**TODAY'S READINGS**

Today we read how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple. To understand the relevance of Jesus' action, we must learn more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. Worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifice and merchants sold animals to worshipers. Moneychangers exchanged Roman coins, which bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax.

Jesus' action at the Temple is recorded in all four Gospels and is often understood to be among the events that led to Jesus' arrest and Crucifixion. John's Gospel, however, places this event much earlier in Jesus' public ministry than do the other Gospels. In John's Gospel this event occurs at the very beginning of Jesus' ministry, after his first miracle at the wedding feast at Cana.

We must read the Gospel of John carefully, especially in its presentation of Jesus' relationship to Judaism. The Gospel of John tends to reflect greater tension and animosity between Jesus and the Jewish authorities than the Synoptic Gospels. The Gospel of John was the last of the four Gospels to be written, and its narrative reflects the growing divide between the Jewish community and the early Christian community. Thus, greater emphasis on the distinction between Christianity and Judaism is found in John's Gospel.

After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John's Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus' authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection. Throughout John's Gospel, the language of signs is distinctive. Jesus' miracles are called signs, and the people look to these signs for proof of his authority. Here we learn that the sign par excellence will be Jesus' passion, death, and Resurrection.

During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**First Reading:** Exodus 20:1-17  
**Response to the Psalm:** **You Lord, have the message of eternal life.**  
**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:22-25  
**Gospel Acclamation:** **Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord, whoever believes in me will never die. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**  
**Gospel:** John 2:13-25

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

*Year B*

## *Third Sunday of Lent*

*4<sup>th</sup> March 2018*



*“Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.”*

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### THIRD WEEK OF LENT YEAR 2.

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> March, Feast of St John Ogilvie**, born in 1579 in Banffshire and raised as a Calvinist. He was educated on the Continent where he became a Catholic and was ordained at Paris as a Jesuit Priest. He returned to Scotland where Catholicism was banned by King James and for one year went under disguise converting many people to the faith. He was arrested in Glasgow's market place where he was betrayed by Adam Boyd, a nephew of the sheriff. Boyd tricked John Ogilvie by pretending he wanted instruction on the Catholic faith. Eventually, Father John Ogilvie was convicted of high treason for denying the king's spiritual jurisdiction by upholding the Pope's spiritual primacy. He was hanged at Glasgow in 1615 aged thirty-six.

### 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, Elaine Farrell Cleary, Rose O'Donnell, Margaret Whelan and Mary T. Stones** (McKinney) who are sick.

**The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of: John Burns, Charles & Nora Kelly, John Burns, Mary & Charles McGhee, John & Jane Hattie, McGhee & Hattie Family, Margaret & Jim Henderson, Tommy Brown, Joe, Janey & Eddie Mooney, Edward, Jane & Theresa Dougan, Hughie, Nora & Marie Brown, John Fitzpatrick, Michael Hogan, Edward & Agnes Slavin, William & Mary Hogan, Patrick Nolan, Thomas Feenan, Catherine Coffey and Rosemary Allison.**

### NOTICE TO ALL GROUPS

Please note that the floor in St Aidan's Church Hall is being refurbished. This work will commence on **MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH** and will take one week to complete. Thereafter the Hall will require a "deep clean" and will remain closed for a further week. During this time there will be no access to the Church Hall. Groups will be able to recommence from **TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL**. Thank you for your patience during this time.

### SVDP HELPLINE

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

### NEXT WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION

Next week is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (SCIAF Sunday) and the second collection will be taken up for the work of SCIAF.

**Gift Aid envelopes available at end of pews.**

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

His Lordship Bishop Toal will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with the children of Primary 6 & 7 this **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm**. Hopefully the weather will be much improved by that time.

**Stations of the Cross and Mass on as usual in St. Mary's this coming Thursday evening.**

### RACE NIGHT FOR HCPT

Once again the **Men's Club** is holding a race night to raise funds for **Canon Clements' HCPT group**.

This will take place at **7.30pm** on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March** in **St Aidan's Church Hall**.

**There will be a licensed bar.**

If you or your company or business wish to sponsor a race, buy a horse, donate raffle prizes or support us in any other way, please contact a member of the **Men's Club** or **phone Pat O'Connor (384440)**.

### POPE FRANCIS' MISSION INTENTION March 2018

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

***That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.***

### 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	Weekday
<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
	<b>St Mary's 10am St Aidan's 11am</b>

### 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.**

### LENTEN PROGRAMME

#### EARLY MASS:

**St. Aidan's:** Mon, Wed & Fri 8:20am

**St. Mary's:** Tues & Thurs 8:30am

(please encourage school children to attend.)

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

St. Aidan's: Tuesday 6:30pm

St. Mary's Thursday 6:30pm

#### ROSARY & BENEDICTION:

Saint Mary's from First Sunday of Lent 5:15pm approx., immediately after the 4:30pm Mass.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

rescheduled

**FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2pm**

**ST AIDAN'S CHURCH**

### NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN

All notices for the Bulletin should be handed in to Fr O'Connor or e-mail aidanswishaw@gmail.com by Wednesday evening. This applies to intimations for the sick, the dead and anniversaries to be included in the bulletin.

### 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. Café open in St Mary's Hall after 10am Mass on Wednesday.

**Indoor Bowling Club** meets in St Aidan's 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. This group meets to raise funds for Third World countries. A large number of the members crochet or knit blankets and baby clothes but others just enjoy the blether. **New members 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 Cathy McCallum (01698 383553)**

### CAFÉ LINDISFARNE

The Café will be serving Rolls n Sausage and scones in the hall after Mass this morning.

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

### COFFEE MORNING

Coffee morning each **WEDNESDAY** after Mass in **St Mary's Parochial Hall**.

The coffee morning is for everyone, both men and women, and takes place on a weekly basis.

### FIRST RECONCILIATION

Saint Mary's: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 6:30pm

Saint Aidan's: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 6:30pm

**(Stations of the Cross cancelled that Tuesday)**

### ST AIDAN'S CHURCH CLEANING

After 10am Mass on Tuesday to ensure Church is ready for Confirmation.

More help is needed this week as the cleaning was cancelled last week and two of the ladies are unable to attend on Tuesday.

**This opportunity is open to both men and women of any age.**