#### Parish Ministers' Rota 20th May 2018 (Solemnity of Pentecost Year B)

Mass		Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil	St Aidan's	D.Chalmers, P.McCafferty, S.Corr	N.Welsh*, N.Carroll
9.30am	St Mary's	J.McLeish (B), E.Briody (A)	H.Bradley
11 am	St Aidan's	J.Slavin, J.Pearson, J.Devanny	J.Sneddon*, R.Fox
4.30 pm	St Mary's		A.Welsh

#### TODAY'S READINGS

Today's First Reading begins by giving us a time-frame—the events take place during the days between Christ's Ascension and Pentecost. We're at the same point in our liturgical year. On Thursday we celebrated His being taken up in glory, and next Sunday we will celebrate His sending of the Spirit upon the Church.

Jesus' prayer in the Gospel today also captures the mood of departure and the anticipation. He is telling us today how it will be when He is no longer in the world. By His Ascension, the Lord has established His throne in heaven, as we hear in today's Psalm. His kingdom is His Church, which continues His mission on earth.

Jesus fashioned His kingdom as a new Jerusalem, and a new house of David. He entrusted this kingdom to His twelve apostles, who were to preside at the Eucharistic table, and to rule with Him over the restored twelve tribes of Israel.

The twelve apostles symbolise the twelve tribes and hence the fulfilment of God's plan for Israel That is why it is crucial to replace Judas—so that the Church in its fullness receives the Spirit at Pentecost.

Peter's leadership of the apostles is another key element of the Church as it is depicted today. Peter is unquestionably in control, interpreting the Scriptures, deciding a course of action, even defining the nature of the apostolic ministry.

No one has ever seen God, as we hear in today's second reading. Yet, through the Church founded on His apostles, the witnesses to the resurrection, the world will come to know and believe in God's love, that He sent His Son to be our Saviour.

Through the Church, Jesus' pledge still comes to us—that if we love, God will remain with us in our trials and protects us from the evil one. By His word of truth He will help us grow in holiness, the perfection of love.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

**First Reading:** Acts 1:15-17.20-26

Response to the Psalm: The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

**Second Reading:** 1 John 4 :11-16

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I will not leave you

orphans, says the Lord; I will come

back to you, and your hearts will be

full of joy. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** John 17:11-19

## St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year B

### Seventh Sunday of Easter

13th May 2018



## "That they may be one like us!"

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#### SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTERTIDE YEAR 2

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> May, Feast of St Matthias. According to the Acts of the Apostles, he was the apostle chosen by the remaining eleven apostles to replace Judas Iscariot. His calling as an apostle is unique in that his appointment was not made personally by Jesus, who had already ascended to heaven. With all the questions, doubts, and dangers facing them, the apostles chose to focus their attention on finding a twelfth apostle. Why was this important? Twelve was a very important number to the Chosen People: twelve was the number of the twelve tribes of Israel. If the new Israel was to come from the disciples of Jesus, a twelfth apostle was needed.

#### 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, Mary Lambert, Peter McGhee, Elaine Farrell Cleary, Rose O'Donnell, Margaret Whelan, Mary T. Stones (McKinney) Henry Hughes, Patsy Murphy and Denis Timoney who are sick.

Rose Devlin (O'Donnell), John Devlin and Bernard McQuade who have died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of: Charlie Dunnery, Mary & Stevie Reilly, Bridget Devlin, Isabelle Mitchell, Stephen McFarlane, Janice Fuller, Jim & Margaret Henderson, Jack Harvey, John & Jane McManus, Frances Welsh, Henry Henderson and Annie Henderson.

#### FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Holy Mass and Rosary Procession, concluding with Benediction, in **Carfin Grotto** (weather permitting) and **St Francis Xavier's Church** on **Sunday**, **13th May at 7.30 pm**.

# POPE FRANCIS' MISSION INTENTION May 2018

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

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

#### WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

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

#### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK

On World Communications Day, the second collection is taken up in all the Scottish Dioceses to fund the Scottish Catholic Media Office. Gift Aid envelopes are available at the end of the pews.

## 40 HOURS AT SAINT AIDAN'S 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> May.

The sign-up sheet is now at the back of the Church.

Ideally it would be good to have two people signed up to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for each of the hours.

On **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May** 40 Hours will commence from the end of the 11am Mass until Midnight.

On **Monday 21**<sup>st</sup> 8am until Midnight. On **Tuesday 22**<sup>nd</sup> 8am, until 7pm.

There will be a guided Holy Hour each of the evenings at 7pm.

**Sunday 7pm** Fr. Bernard Mournian, Pentecost: The Birth of the Church

Monday 7pm Fr. Jamie McMorrin, Pentecost: Mary Mother of The Church

**Tuesday 7pm** Fr. Michael Kane, Pentecost: The Work of the Holy Spirit

There will be large candles for sale, which will burn before the Altar throughout the 40 Hours. You will be able to attach the name of a loved one on these candles by writing their name on a sticker.

SVDP HELPLINE 07561843580 FURNITURE COLLECTION DIOCESAN SVDP 07864502874 or 07749467335

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

Sunday Weekday St Aidan's: 5pm Vigil Mass Monday: St Mary's 10am 9.30am Mass St Mary's: Tuesday: St Aidan's 10am St Aidan's: 11am Mass Wednesday: St Mary's 10am Thursday: St Aidan's 10am St Mary's: 4.30pm Mass

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
St Mary's Church
To arrange please contact:

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 12 noon
1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm
Fr O'Connor Tel: (01698) 860254.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the 16 children who made their **First Holy Communion** in **Saint Mary's** on **Saturday**.

There will be no 10am Mass on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May in Saint Aidan's because the First Holy Communion is that morning at 11am.

### DIOCESAN CHOIR CONCERT Wed 16<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm Motherwell Cathedral

In Aid of St Andrew's Hospice & Mary's Meals

#### TAYLOR'S FASHION SHOW

The St Aidan's Hall Renovation Group is holding a **Fashion Show** on **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 7pm** for a prompt **start at 7.30pm**.

Tickets £3 can be obtained from Janet Doherty on 357756 or Bridie Moulds on 385506. Ticket cost includes tea/coffee and

homebaking. Donations of raffle prizes will be gratefully accepted.

#### CAFÉ LINDISFARNE

The Café will be serving Rolls n Sausage/bacon, toast, homebaking, biscuits, tea/coffee and juice after 11am Mass today.

All Welcome!

#### SCIAF

A total of £2,974,10 was raised between the SCIAF Sunday Collection and the Wee Box Appeal this year.

Thank you for your generosity.

## CONTEMPLATIVE THEOLOGY on The Trinity

The Xavier Centre, Carfin, ML1 5AL (Bernadette Suite)

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup>,24<sup>th</sup>,31<sup>st</sup> May & 7<sup>th</sup> June 7.30-9pm

These sessions are open to anyone in the diocese who wishes to come along, whether or not you attended during Lent. You may wish to register your interest, or just come along on the evening.

ALL WELCOME!

#### 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 crotchet 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)