

Parish Ministers' Rota
25th November 2018 (Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year B)

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	M.McKenna, D.Chalmers, P.Cafferty	K.Cassidy*, M.McCardie
9.30am St Mary's	B.Lynch, E.McBride	J.Smith
11 am St Aidan's	P.Donnell,A.McCrossan, E.Hamilton	J.Sneddon*, R.Fox
4.30 pm St Mary's		L.Higgins

TODAY'S READINGS

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus' words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark's Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark's community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day of judgement.

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:	Daniel 12: 1-3
Response to the Psalm:	Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
Second Reading:	Hebrews 10:11-14.18
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, Alleluia! Stay awake, and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!
Gospel:	Mark 13:24-32

St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year B

Thirty Third Sunday of the Year

18th November 2018



"He will gather his chosen from the four winds."

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THIRTY THIRD WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR 2

Wed 21st Nov, Memorial of The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast is associated with an event recounted not in the New Testament, but in the apocryphal Infancy Narrative of James. According to that text, Mary's parents, Joachim and Anne, who had been childless, received a heavenly message that they would have a child. In thanksgiving for the gift of their daughter, they brought her, when still a child, to the Temple in Jerusalem to consecrate her to God.

Thurs 22nd Nov, Memorial of St Cecilia. Cecilia, whose name means "lily of heaven" is patroness of musicians. She is one of seven women (excluding the Blessed Virgin) named in the Canon of the Mass.

Sat 24th Nov, Memorial of St Andrew Dung Lac and Companions. The Vietnamese people heard the message of the gospel beginning in the 16th century through the efforts of many missionary people who accepted that their efforts would bring persecution and even death. Andrew Dung-Lac was one of 117 people martyred in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862. Members of this group were beatified on four different occasions between 1900 and 1951. All were canonised by St. John Paul II. On June 1, 1989, these martyrs were inscribed in the liturgical calendar of the Universal Church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE SICK

God our Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today.
We ask that You would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies.
Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen

Irene McCaughey, John McCann (Jnr), Harry McCrossan and Gerry Traynor who have died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of:
Rev. Fr. Thomas Welsh SX, Margaret Hemphill, Cissie Lynn, Agnes Dunnachie, Harry Delaney, William Nicol, John McAllister, Paul Nolan, Daniel Welsh, Brenda O'Donnell, Helen & Peter Doyle, Ellen Doyle, James & Edward O'Connor, Ann Purcell, John & Mary McLellan, Anna Clark, Charlie Clark, Francie Clark, Clark Family, Pat Delaney, Ann & Patrick Delaney and Anne Marie Delaney.

EDUCATION MASS

The Diocesan Annual Education Mass will take place in Motherwell Cathedral on **Tues 20th Nov at 7 pm.** Anyone who has any connection to Scottish Catholic Education, whether in a teaching or support staff capacity, pupil, parent, grandparent is very welcome.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

The collection will be for St Andrew's Hospice.

HOLY SOULS

Throughout the month of November we pray in a particular way for the Holy Souls, Holy Mass is offered each day for those included in the November Lists. On the weekend **24th-25th Nov.** Masses will be offered for those parishioners who have died over the course of the previous year.

CEMETERY SERVICE

The annual Cemetery Service in **Saint Patrick's, New Stevenston** will take place today **Sunday 18th November at 2pm**

ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY OF MOTHERWELL DIOCESE
Monday 19th November, 7pm
St. Gerard's. Bellshill.

TAYLOR'S FASHION SHOW

Fashion Show on Friday 30th November, 7pm for a prompt start at **7.30pm.**
Tickets £2 from Janet Doherty (357756) or just turn up on the night. Ticket cost includes tea/coffee and homebaking. **Donations of raffle prizes/homebaking will be gratefully accepted.**

INNOCENTS RAFFLE

Raffle tickets for the annual draw available at the back of the Church.
All stubs should be returned to Fr O'Connor by Sunday 2nd December.
Prizes £1 000, £500 and £100.

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
	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.**

RENOVATIONS SAINT MARY'S

The Church is closed until **Friday 7th Dec.** All Masses and services, both Weekday and Sunday, will take place in St Aidan's Church. During this time work will be carried out to install new light fittings, renovation of the lower part of the internal walls, re-painting of the Church, installation of a new carpet. The oak flooring in the sanctuary floor will be restored. The Parochial Hall will also be closed during this time as the pews will be stored and re-furnished there. If anyone has difficulty in finding transport to St Aidan's for the Sunday Masses please inform Fr. O'Connor and arrangements will be made for a lift, if there is sufficient need a coach will be made available. The Wednesday morning coffee morning will be cancelled during this time.
Lindisfarne morning Café will be on every weekday (not Saturday) during this time.

POPE FRANCIS' MISSION INTENTION

November 2018
Pope Francis asks us to join with him this month in praying:
That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

TABLE TOP SALE

Coltness Toddler Group Christmas table top sale Sat 24th Nov in St Aidan's Hall 12-3pm.

SVDP HELPLINE 07561843580
FURNITURE COLLECTION SVDP
07864502874 or 07749467335

CAFÉ LINDISFARNE

The Café will be serving Rolls n Sausage, toast, homebaking, biscuits, tea/coffee/juice after 11am Mass. **Everyone welcome!** We hope that parishioners from **St Mary's** will join us.
If transport back to Cleland is an issue, please speak to the ladies who run the Café and arrangements can be made.

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Holy Michael, the archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, Oh prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast down into hell Satan and all the wicked spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen.**

SHOE BOX APPEAL

Please return all shoeboxes to **St Aidan's Hall A.S.A.P.**

WISHAW FOODBANK

David Shaw of Wishaw Foodbank wishes to kindly thank the generosity of the parishioners of St.Mary's and St.Aidan's for their response to the recent appeal.

WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

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