

Parish Ministers' Rota  
30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 (Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B)

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	M.McKenna, D.Chalmers,P.McCafferty	A.McCrorie
9.30am St Mary's	R.Heaney, R.Smith	J.Canning
11 am St Aidan's	A.McCrossan, J.Slavin, J.Pearson	B.Moulds
4.30 pm St Mary's		L.Higgins

**TODAY'S READINGS**

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to prepare his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behaviour. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly?

Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

<b>First Reading:</b>	Wisdom 2 12.17-20
<b>Response to the Psalm:</b>	<b>The Lord upholds my life.</b>
<b>Second Reading:</b>	James 3:16-4:3
<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b>	<b>Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!</b>
<b>Gospel:</b>	Mark 9:30-37

# St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year B

## Twenty Fifth Sunday of the Year

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018



*“If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself servant of all.”*

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## TWENTY FIFTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR 2

**Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> September, Memorial of St Vincent de Paul**, a priest who dedicated himself to serving the poor. He lived from 24<sup>th</sup> April 1581 until 27<sup>th</sup> September 1660. He was renowned for his compassion, humility and generosity and is known as the "Great Apostle of Charity".  
**Sat 29<sup>th</sup> September, Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael.** Angels appear frequently in Scripture, but only Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are named. Each of these archangels perform a different mission in Scripture: Michael protects; Gabriel announces; Raphael guides.

### 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**

**Michael Farrell, Rose O'Donnell and Frank O'Connor** who have died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of:  
**Anna Murray, William Clements, Jimmy & Annie Delaney, James Mallon, Edward & Margaret Currie, William Kelly, George, James & Annie McCormick, Theresa McGowan, Bill Docherty and Mary Burns.**

#### CANON CLEMENTS' 80<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY

The tickets for Canon Clements' birthday dinner on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October are now sold out. If you added your name to the list at the back of the church you can collect your tickets from Pat O'Connor who will be in the hall after both masses this week end or he can be contacted on 01698 384440. Thank you.

**EACH TICKET COSTS £20, PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER.**

**SVDP HELPLINE 07561843580  
FURNITURE COLLECTION SVDP  
07864502874 or 07749467335**

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

#### SECOND COLLECTION LAST WEEK .....

for Ecclesiastical Students' Fund within our Diocese came to **£1038.74**  
This includes the boxes that have been handed in this year. **THANK YOU!**  
Please continue to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.  
Boxes are available at the back of the Church to help you save up for next September.

#### THE LEGION OF MARY

A speaker from the Legion of Mary will visit the parish on the weekend 13/14 October to speak at all the Masses. They have made a request to begin a group (praesidium) in our parish. If this is something you would be interested in then there will be an opportunity for more information.

#### CAN YOU HELP US?

**St Mary's Primary School** has been chosen for the Tesco Bags of Help Scheme. **They hope to create a new garden area for the children.** Please support them by asking for a blue token when you visit any local Tesco store during September and October.  
PS. **St Mary's** is ahead in the Tesco on Coltness Road but the count will be taken in all Tesco shops in Wishaw, Motherwell, Carfin and Bellshill. Please remember to ask for the tokens. Every little helps!

#### THANK YOU

The sisters of the late Rose Doris (née Slavin) would like to thank all those who attended her Requiem Mass, and gave Mass cards. Holy Mass will be offered in thanksgiving.  
There will be a memorial Mass offered for Margaret Shea, at the 10am Wednesday morning Mass this week. Margaret died in Wolverhampton in July.

## 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.**

#### OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

Each Thursday in October the Holy Rosary and Litany of Loreto will be prayed in Saint Mary's Church at 6:30pm on a Thursday evening. Sacrament of Confession available during this time.  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 6pm followed by Rosary.

#### WEDNESDAY CAFÉ

Everyone welcome after Mass to the Wednesday Café in **St Mary's**. **Proceeds go to the Renovation of St Mary's Church.**

#### POPE FRANCIS' MISSION INTENTION September 2018

Pope Francis asks us to join with him this month in praying:  
***That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.***

#### CAFÉ LINDISFARNE

The Café will be serving Rolls n Sausage/bacon, toast, homebaking, biscuits, tea/coffee/juice after 11am Mass.  
**Everyone welcome!**

#### NEXT SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

The ladies who run the Lindisfarne Café are holding an 'Afternoon Tea' from 12 noon for McMillan Cancer Support.  
Tickets (£3) are available this weekend or pay at the door.  
The Parish recognises the invaluable work carried out by the McMillan nurses and would urge you to support this very worthy cause.  
If you go to a different Mass then please try to come along.  
There will be no rolls n sausage or bacon, nor toast but there will be plenty sandwiches, scones and cakes.  
Donations of homebaking and raffle prizes will be gratefully accepted.

#### 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. **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)**