

Parish Ministers' Rota
4th March 2018 (Third Sunday of Lent. Year B)

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	S.Corr, M.McKenna, D.Chalmers	A.McCrorie
9.30am St Mary's	R.Smith (B), R.Heaney (A)	C.Cairns
11 am St Aidan's	J.Devanny, M.McDowell, P.O'Donnell	J.McKelvie
4.30 pm St Mary's		H.Law

TODAY'S READINGS

The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his passion. After this, there is also a discussion of the cost of discipleship. In each case, Jesus takes Peter, James, and John to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospel, there is reference to a conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses.

Elijah and Moses are significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. In appearing with Jesus at his Transfiguration, Moses represents the Law that guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is remembered as one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh. Some Jews believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. This belief is evidenced in the question posed by Jesus' disciples after they have witnessed the Transfiguration. The appearance of these two important figures from Israel's history with Jesus signifies Jesus' continuity with the Law and with the prophets and that Jesus is the fulfilment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

On seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses and having witnessed his Transfiguration, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Mark reports that the disciples are terrified by what they have witnessed and that Peter's offer is made out of confusion. We also notice that Peter has reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus rabbi instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding the disciples to obey him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism. In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. The disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration until they also witness his passion and death.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:	Genesis 22:1-2.9-13.15-18
Response to the Psalm:	I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.
Second Reading:	Romans 8:31-34
Gospel Acclamation:	Glory and Praise to you, O Christ.
<i>11am Mass sung</i>	<i>Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!</i>
	From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: "This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him."
	Glory and Praise to you, O Christ.
<i>11am Mass sung</i>	<i>Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!</i>
Gospel:	Mark 9:2-10

St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year B

Second Sunday of Lent

25th February 2018



"This is my Son, the Beloved."

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SECOND WEEK OF LENT YEAR 2.

There are no Feasts, Solemnities or Memorial during this coming week.

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.

Ricky Chisholm who has died

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of:

Mary Duffy, Dominic & Mary Nolan, James & Jessie Duffy, John & Jessie Mullen, Michael Nolan, Margaret Murphy, Pearl & Angela McConnachie, John O'Brien, Roseann McKenna, Peter & Thomas McKenna, Elizabeth Glover, Edward Currie and Sarah Currie,

NOTICE TO ALL GROUPS

Please note that the floor in St Aidan's Church Hall is being refurbished. This work will commence on **MONDAY 19th 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 3rd APRIL**. Thank you for your patience during this time.

INVITATION

I would like to extend an invitation to the congregation of St Aidan's to a special service on the **2nd March 2018 at 7pm** to mark the dedication of St Mark's church by the Presbytery of Hamilton in 1963.
Rev Graham Austin

WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

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

SECOND COLLECTION

Lenten Collection to Support the Bishop and His Administration of the Diocese.

Gift Aid envelopes available at end of pews.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

The 11am Mass in St Aidan's has been cancelled this Friday. There will be mass at **8.20am.**

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
ST AIDAN'S CHURCH
FRIDAY 2nd MARCH 2018 2pm**

Tea/Coffee in hall after service
This service involving all the churches in the Wishaw area is being held in St Aidan's this year.
Please try to attend if at all possible.

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 16th 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
February 2018**

Pope Francis asks us to join with him this month in praying:
That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

**DIOCESE OF MOTHERWELL
CONTEMPLATIVE THEOLOGY**

Xavier Centre, Carfin
Thursdays 1st, 8th & 15th March 7.30pm -9pm.

SVDP HELPLINE

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

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	2 nd and 4 th Sunday of the month at 12 noon		
St Mary's Church	1 st and 3 rd 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.

CONFIRMATION

His Lordship Bishop Toal will come to the parish this **Wednesday 28th February at 7pm** to confirm the St Aidan's children of Primary 6 and Primary 7. **We keep them in our prayers.**

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Saint Mary's: Monday 12th March 6:30pm
Saint Aidan's: Tuesday 13th March 6:30pm
(Stations of the Cross cancelled that Tuesday)

CAFÉ LINDISFARNE

The Café will be serving Rolls n Sausage/bacon, toast and homebaking 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.

ST ANDREW'S HOSPICE

Make a Will Month – March 2018

Several Lanarkshire Legal Firms have agreed to write a basic Will and waive their legal fee, in return for a donation to St Andrew's Hospice. For further information please contact Lorna McCafferty, Trust Fundraising Officer at St Andrew's Hospice on 01236 772087 or email lorna.mccafferty@standrews.scot.nhs.uk

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)