

Parish Ministers' Rota
6th May 2018 (Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B)

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5 pm Vigil St Aidan's	S.Corr, M.McKenna, D.Chalmers	A.M.O'Neill
9.30am St Mary's	G.Brawley (B), C.Nicol (A)	C.Cairns
11 am St Aidan's	P.O'Donnell, E. Hamilton, C.Irvine	A.McCrossan*, M.Clark
4.30 pm St Mary's		J.McCall

TODAY'S READINGS

John tells the story of Jesus' Last Supper differently from the other Evangelists. In John's Gospel, the Last Supper begins with Jesus washing his disciples' feet. Jesus then provides them with a series of instructions. We call this section the Last Supper discourse or Jesus' farewell discourse. In these chapters of John's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples about the importance of following his example of love and service, about the gift they will receive when Jesus sends them the Holy Spirit, and about their relationship with Jesus and with the world. The Last Supper discourse concludes with Jesus' prayer for his disciples.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures. In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. One of the primary themes of John's Gospel is to show Jesus to be the fulfilment of God's promises to Israel.

In this passage, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began. Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. Just as Jesus will remain in the disciples, so too will his words. We come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the living Word of God. Our commitment to be Christ's disciples is sustained through God's Word. This commitment is strengthened by our prayer life and nourished by the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Jesus dwells in us, remains with us, and transforms us so that we might bear fruit in his name.

We observe many people who act in ways that show their commitment to serve their neighbour. Christians and non-Christians feed the hungry, care for the sick, shelter the homeless, and give alms to the poor. These actions become acts of Christian discipleship when they are motivated by our relationship with Jesus. Whatever the immediate results, Jesus promises us that these actions will bear fruit when we undertake them in his name.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

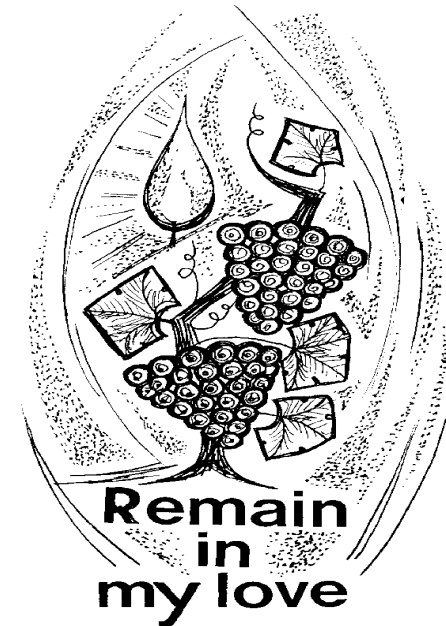
First Reading:	Acts 9:26-31
Response to the Psalm:	You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.
Second Reading:	1 John 3 :18-24
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!
Gospel:	John 15:1-8

St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year B

Fifth Sunday of Easter

29th April 2018



*“Whoever remains in me, with me
in him, bears fruit in plenty.”*

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FIFTH WEEK OF EASTERTIDE YEAR 2

Wed 2nd May, Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. Athanasius was the Church's greatest hero in the battle against Arianism (a heresy that denied Christ's divinity).

3rd May, Feast of St Philip and St James. Philip was one of Christ's first disciples, called soon after Jesus' baptism in the Jordan. The relics of James, known as James the Lesser, now rest next to those of St. Philip in the church of the Holy Apostles in Rome.

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.

Callum Dunne who has died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of:
Alice & Alex Devanny, Len Smith, James Connor, John Larkin, George Jackson, Elizabeth O'Kane, George O'Kane, Mary McNally and Hugh McMahan(Snr).

FASHION SHOW

The St Aidan's Hall Renovation Group is holding a **Fashion Show** on **Friday 25th May, 7pm** for a prompt start at **7.30pm**. The proceeds are for the renovation to the hall.

Tickets £3 can be obtained from Janet Doherty on 357756 or Bridie Moulds on 385506.

ST THOMAS' IRELAND TRIP

Westport Co Mayo

Mon 17th - Fri 21st September 2018

5 days 4 nights, Dinner, Bed & Breakfast, £299 per person sharing, £88 Single supplement.

Excursions to Galway & Ballina
Departure point St Thomas' Wishaw

Contact Joe Burns 07305914040

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.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations and best wishes to Canon Clements who celebrates the **56th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood** this Sunday.

AD MULTOS ANNOS!

RENEWAL OF FAITH

For those who are not travelling to South Queensferry, please join with us at 3pm in reciting the Rosary.

Prayer for a Renewal of Faith in the British Isles

Lord,
Throughout the centuries you have blessed these Isles in the power of the Holy Spirit, and in the lives of your Saints.

Bless Lord once more our land through the Immaculate heart of our Mother Mary, and through her powerful and maternal prayers, enfold the peoples of these Isles under her protection.

Renew your people in confidence, in trust, and fill this land once more with your spirit.

Renew our lands, renew your Church, renew our faith.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GROTTO SEASON 2018

The Grotto Season will begin this year on **Tuesday 1st May.**

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

To celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, which takes place on a Sunday this year, there will be Holy Mass, a Rosary Procession, concluding with Benediction, in Carfin Grotto (weather permitting) and St Francis Xavier's Church on **Sunday, 13th May at 7.30 pm.**

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

Sunday

St Aidan's: 5pm Vigil Mass
St Mary's: 9.30am Mass
St Aidan's: 11am Mass
St Mary's: 4.30pm Mass

Weekday

Monday: St Mary's 10am
Tuesday: St Aidan's 10am
Wednesday: St Mary's 10am
Thursday: St Aidan's 10am
St Mary's 7pm (*Latin Mass*)
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.**

DETAILS FOR BUS TO ROSARY ON THE COAST

The bus will leave St Mary's at 1.15pm and St Aidan's at 1.30pm.

The bus will drop us off at the Pier where there are Public Conveniences across the road.

After the Recitation of the Rosary at 3pm there will be some free time to enable us to take a stroll, or have a bite to eat. There are cafes, restaurants and pubs along the High street in South Queensferry but you may wish to bring a picnic. Anyone who feels unable to stand for the Rosary may want to bring a folding chair.

We will leave South Queensferry between 5.30pm and 6pm.

There are now **341** Rosary locations around the coast of Britain signed up to praying the Rosary for Faith, Life and Peace in the British Isles. It is anticipated that more parishes/ locations will sign up by today.

200 CLUB WINNERS

No:	122	W. Moulds	£70
	097	J. Stewart	£20
	075	B. Nolan	£10

Numbers available!

WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

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

CAFÉ LINDISFARNE

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

All Welcome!

You will be able to wait in Café for the bus to the Rosary on the Coast.

40 HOURS ADORATION

Forty Hours will take place in **Saint Aidan's** this year beginning on Pentecost Sunday, 20th May. **Please note change of date.** Visiting priests will come to give Holy Hours on the Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings. More details will be given nearer the time, but parishioners will be invited to sign up to keep watch for an hour between the hours, **7am-8pm** over the course of the three days. The origin of this devotion is to foster a greater reverence and awareness of Our Lord's Real Presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, and in memory of the 40 hours Our Lord spent in the tomb. Hopefully this devotion can take place each year in alternate churches

THANK YOU

Thanks to all who supported the St Patrick's Night in St Mary's Parochial Hall. **£1,050** was raised for Parish funds.

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