



*Parish Bulletin of  
St Andrew's, Dumfries  
and  
St Columba's, Annan*

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**Times of Mass and Services  
20th-25th January 2020**

**Tuesday** Mass in St Columba's at 10am  
**Wednesday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10am  
**Thursday** Mass in St Columba's at 7pm  
**Friday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10am  
**Saturday** Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am  
**Saturday Morning:** Mass, confessions and exposition on the 1st and 3rd and 5th Saturdays will be in St Teresa's and on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays in St Andrew's.

**Monday, Tuesday and Thursday:** Mass in St Teresa's at 10am

**SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday Vigil Mass in St Andrew's at 6 pm  
Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am  
Mass in St Columba's at 12 noon

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

After Mass on Thursday and on Saturday morning  
Between 5-5.30 pm Saturday  
and on request at any other suitable time

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

After Mass on Thursday evening and Saturday morning

**Holydays of Obligation**

Mass in St Andrew's at 9.30 am and 7 pm  
Mass in St Columba's at 11.30 am

**First Friday of the month, St Columba's**

Eucharistic Service at 10 am followed by tea/coffee

**First Saturday of the month, St Andrew's**

Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, 5 pm

**18th/19th January 2020**

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

**Readings**

Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6  
1 Corinthians 1: 1-3  
John 1: 29-34

**Psalm Response**

Here I am Lord!  
I come to do your will.

**Today's Liturgy** Eucharistic Prayer IV

**Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (year A)

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today begins the season known as Ordinary Time, but even in Ordinary Time the Lord is as close as ever to bless us with word and sacrament.

**Father Gerald's Mass intentions for this week**

Tuesday:	Joe Scales
Wednesday:	Patricia Cluderay
Thursday:	Intention
Friday:	Arthur & Michael Higgins
Saturday:	Stephen Neal
Sunday:	For the Parish

**Please remember in your prayers**

Michael Clark	Elizabeth Elliot
Joan Jeavons	Betty Fulton
Norah MacDonald	Betty Finnan

*those who are sick, everyone on the family prayer ministry requests and all those whose needs are not known to us.*

**Sick and Housebound**

If there is anyone who would appreciate a visit or who is unable to get to Mass, please pass on details. I will visit the sick and housebound in the week ahead. If there is anyone who would appreciate a visit, or who is unable to get to Mass, please pass on details.

**Pope Francis' prayer intention for January 2020**

**Promotion of World Peace**

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

[www.virc.at](http://www.virc.at) This website provides the readings for the Mass in many languages.

**Please turn off your mobile phone in church**



**Hospital Visiting Policy**

If a patient wishes a visit from a priest or deacon text or message the RC Chaplain on 07 591 230 828 or email [rcchaplain.hospital@yahoo.com](mailto:rcchaplain.hospital@yahoo.com)

Please take a copy of the bulletin home to remind you of the times of services and events during the coming week, and please take a copy to anyone you know who is sick or housebound.

### ***Rite of Enrolment***

This weekend we will celebrate the Rite of Enrolment. Please remember the children who are enrolling and their families in your prayers.

### ***First Holy Communion***

The celebration of First Holy Communion in St Andrew's and in St Columba's will take place on **Sunday 14th June 2020** at the 10am and 12noon Masses respectively.

### ***Week of Prayer for Christian Unity***

This begins on Saturday 18th January. There are Christian Unity Services on *Sunday 19th January at 3pm in Maxwelltown West Church (run by the Dumfries Christian Network)* and at 6.30pm in St John's Episcopal Church.



### ***Adult Faith Formation Presentation***

To prepare for Pope Francis' initiative that the 3rd Sunday of the Year be a day devoted to the celebration and study of the Word of God, Fr William will give a presentation on "Reading the Sacred Scriptures" in St Andrew's and St Cuthbert's hall, Kirkcudbright, on Friday 24th January from 10.45-11.30am. All welcome.



### ***Polish Language Mass Schedule 2020***

Please find a copy of the schedule for Polish Mass at St Teresa's Church, Glasgow, on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.



**NB Father Gerald's direct e-mail address:**  
[dumfries.standrew@gallowaydiocese.org.uk](mailto:dumfries.standrew@gallowaydiocese.org.uk).

### ***St Andrew's Meetings***

The **Ladies' Circle** is meeting on *Tuesday 21st January* for a Spiritual Afternoon.

### ***Music Practice***

Music practices resume in the hall on *Thursday 23rd January at 7pm*. We will be preparing hymns, psalms and Mass parts for the weekend Masses as well as looking at new settings. All are very welcome to come along!

### ***200 Club Draw***

The 200 Club year ends at the end of March. Envelopes will soon be placed at the back of the Church for members to make their annual contributions of £12. The club urgently needs new members so please consider signing up using an application form from the table at the back of the Church. Odds are far better than those of any lottery!

### ***Fairtrade***



Fairtrade goods will be on sale next weekend.

### ***Weekly Collection***

The collection for last week amounted to £750.82. St Vincent de Paul collected £134.42. The Jars of Hope total remains at £452. Thank you.

### ***Sacramental preparation***

First Reconciliation is celebrated in P3 and Confirmation in P4. If you do not attend a Catholic school please see Fr Gerald or Rebecca Crosbie in St Andrew's or Pat McElhone in St Columba's as soon as possible. Don't leave it until just before the celebrations. If you were not baptised in the parish, please make sure you provide a certificate of Baptism. **Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Nolan on Thursday 6th February in St Teresa's, Dumfries.**

### ***Rachel's Vineyard Retreat***

A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held north of Glasgow on Tuesday 11th-Thursday 13th February 2020. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call/text Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or e-mail Rachel via the enquiry form on the website [www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk).

### ***Burns Concert - Friday 24th January - 7.30pm***

Venue - St Andrew's Parish Hall

Entry- £5.00

Bring your own liquid refreshments - a light buffet will be provided.

*An evening of Scottish songs and music in aid of the inter-parish Pro Life group.*

Raffle Prizes gratefully accepted. Tickets on sale now. Please come along to this winter warming event!



### ***Christopher and Friends Invitation***

Troqueer Church Guild are having a concert as part of their Centenary Celebration and to raise funds for their projects. This will be led by their and our wonderful organist, Christopher Watt, and his friends, on *Tuesday 4th Feb at 7.30pm in Troqueer Church*. Cost is £5 and there will be refreshments including Christopher's own, renowned home baking. Not to be missed! Contact Iris for tickets on 01387 750750 or pay at the door. If possible let Iris know numbers for catering.



### ***St Columba's St Columba's PPC***

The next meeting of the PPC will be on *Thursday 27th February after 7pm Mass*.

### ***Annan Churches Together***

Future meetings are on *Tuesdays 28th April and 8th September at 7 for 7.15pm*.

### ***Reverse Advent Calendar Thanks***

Many thanks to all who contributed to the reverse advent calendar. The items donated were much appreciated by "Kate's Kitchen". The Parish website will have a picture of some of the items which we contributed.



### ***Weekly Collection***

The collection for last week was £337.06 and the collection for St Margaret's Adoption Society raised £70.52. The Jars of Hope total remains at £46. Thank you.