



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

*Parishes of the R C Diocese of Galloway -
Registered Charity No. SCO10576*

Parish Updates & Livestream Info

Week beginning 13th March, 2022

Mass timetable

Please note the timetable in the week ahead:

Mass at St Andrew's: Wednesday and Friday at 10am.



Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays at 7pm through Lent.

Mass at St Columba's: Tuesday-Stations of the Cross at 11am followed by Mass and then Lenten lunches for SCIAF. Mass on Thursday is at 7pm.

Weekend Masses:

St Andrew's: Vigil on Saturday at 6pm; Sunday 10am

St Columba's : Sunday at 12noon

There is Mass with Exposition in St Teresa's on Saturday 19th March.

All public services from St Andrew's will be live-streamed.

Ukrainian Mass Cancellation

Please note that they are having to cancel the 13th March Mass at Hallmuir, near Lockerbie, because the Church is filled with parcels due to an overwhelming response from the community. The Ukrainian community at Hallmuir advise that if people want to donate, they should now give money to one of the charities whose workers are providing targeted aid.

SCIAF

Please pick up your SCIAF "Wee box" and information booklet. SCIAF are also having a specific campaign to help those in need in Ukraine for which there is a second collection this weekend. Please note that there are many charities and projects helping in Ukraine. Please help in whichever ways you are able.

Church Shop

The Church Shop has fresh stocks of cards for St Patrick's Day; Mothers' Day and for Easter. You are welcome to browse!

St Columba's "100 Club"

February winner of £30: H Carr and £40 to Church funds. Well done!

St Andrew's New Collection Envelopes

The new collection envelopes are available for collection from the table in the porch. Please pick up your own and those of anyone else whose envelopes you can deliver. Please let Ana know if there are envelopes there which you no longer require. Thank you.

Collections: St Andrew's collection figures for last weekend will be reported next weekend. £186.08 was kindly donated to SSVP. St Columba's collection was £100.71.

Firstbase continue to pick up donations.

Pope Francis' prayer intention for March: A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges -

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

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13th March, 2022

2nd Sunday of Lent (Year C)

Genesis 15: 5-12. 17-18

Philippians 3:17- 4:1

Luke 9: 28-36

Psalm Response

The Lord is my light and my help.

Today's Liturgy: Eucharistic Prayer II

Next Sunday : 3rd Sunday of Lent (C)

2nd Sunday of Lent (Year C)

As Christians we are called to fix our eyes on Christ and to trust in his promise to be with us on our journey of faith.

Special Collection for SCIAF Ukrainian Appeal

Please donate via marked boxes at the backs of both Churches this weekend or online at the SCIAF website.

Fr Gerald's Mass Intentions for this week:

Tuesday:	John Scott Murray
Wednesday:	Sheila Clyde
Thursday:	Richard Gucwa
Friday:	Jean McPake
Saturday:	Robert Callender
Sunday:	For the Parish

Please remember in your prayers

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

Michael Clark

June Shaw

Elizabeth Elliot

Anne Murdy

Astrida Kruste

Ted Machin

Christopher Browne

Tony Lynch

Sick and Housebound

I am available for the reception of the sacraments of Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion. If any parishioner requires assistance or needs to talk, please phone me on the Parish number.

www.virc.at This website provides the readings for the Mass in many languages, eg English.

Please convey information and updates safely to anyone you know who is sick or housebound.



Resumption of Children's Liturgy

We are now permitted to recommence Children's Liturgy during Sunday morning Masses. This is normally run by pairs of parents of young children, teachers or people who enjoy working with young people, who are PVG approved in the Parish. (NB The Parish PVG co-ordinator helps with completion of straightforward forms and their sending-off, and the Parish pays for the PVG checks) There are set lessons which coincide with the theme of the Mass in any week and there is time for a reading, some discussion and a brief craft activity before returning to Church before Communion. Children's Liturgy normally runs during school term time. Ana can provide support with "getting going" and with organising a rota and distribution of lesson sheets etc Can you please let Ana know if you used to be on the rota and are prepared to continue on the new rota or if you are new and would like support with joining the Children's Liturgy team. It is most rewarding! You are welcome to call with any queries on 07753 167554. Thank you and here's hoping that we can soon be up and running again for our younger parish members!

Notice for those recently confirmed....

Father Gerald requests that those recently confirmed in St Teresa's Church who were not baptised in St Andrew's nor in St Columba's should please inform the Church in which they were baptised that they have now been confirmed.

They should e-mail or send in paper to the Church's Parish Secretary a note of their Confirmation date and of the Church in which it was celebrated and the celebrant (ie Bishop-elect Nolan as he was at that time).

This allows the Parish records for each person to be properly updated and in place in the Parish of Baptism. Those who were baptised in St Andrew's or in St Columba's have had their baptismal record in the parishes here updated with their Confirmation date.

Please speak with Fr Gerald if you have any queries. Thank you.



St Andrew's Church "200 Club"

Thank you very much to everyone who has joined or rejoined the "200 Club". We now have the number of members needed to make the "200 Club" viable and the first draw will be held towards the end of April. There are still spaces left for anyone who would like to join the club. You can simply pick up an envelope from the porch, add your name and address along with your £12 subscription (cash or cheque) and return the envelope to the collection box at Mass or post it through the Parish House door. All profits will be used for the Seniors' Christmas events or for other causes in the Church.

SCIAF "Emergency in Ukraine" Appeal



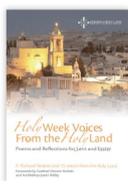
SCIAF has launched an Emergency Appeal to react to the needs of the Ukrainian people and those on the ground offering aid.

As part of the global Caritas network, SCIAF are "...working alongside their partners in Caritas Ukraine supporting people displaced by the conflict and supporting refugees in neighbouring countries with their sister agencies Caritas Poland, Caritas Moldova and Caritas Romania. Together they are providing vital emergency food, water, safe accommodation, hygiene kits, transport and child support services during this turbulent time. Their partners urgently need financial support to quickly address these basic human needs and respond in the most appropriate way for the Ukrainian people.



The conflict in Ukraine and the distress families are experiencing are a stark reminder of the human tragedy of conflict and the daily struggles faced by our sisters and brothers around the world. SCIAF know that many of their supporters are already supporting the WEE BOX appeal this Lent and "Acting in Hope", standing in solidarity with those suffering climate injustice around the world. Today, they are asking parishioners to go further and stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters facing this grave injustice in Ukraine..." **Special collections for the SCIAF "Emergency in Ukraine" Appeal at Masses this weekend or donate online at the SCIAF website. There are Giftaid envelopes available beside collection boxes for Taxpayers who are eligible.**

"Friends of the Holy Land" Lenten Resources



"If you are still looking for a prayer resource for private or group study for this Lent, we are delighted to recommend not one, but two inspiring books. A favourite from last year, "Holy Week Voices from the Holy Land" is back in our online shop and available as both a hard copy or e-copy. Combining poetry, art and personal narratives from Holy Land Christians, it is certain to aid your reflections and prayers during this season. We are also very thankful that our friend Revd Alison Askew is giving all profits from the sale of her book, "The People of the Passion", to Friends of the Holy Land. Available from Amazon and good bookshops, this thought-provoking spiritual resource will undoubtedly be a blessing to your Lenten journey."

COVID 19 Update

We will continue to follow national guidance and that provided by the Diocesan Co-ordinator with regard to managing Covid-19 infection transmission via hand sanitising; mask wearing; keeping a respectful social distance; Church cleaning and providing good ventilation and airflow. As ever, please do not come to Mass if you are unwell, isolating or displaying symptoms. We are awaiting some update in regulations and advice on or after the time of the Scottish Government update on 21st March.



Teas after Sunday Mass: All are welcome for a catch-up, a hot drink and a biscuit/cake in the hall.