



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

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Times of Mass and Services

9—15th September 2019

Tuesday Mass in St Columba's at 10 am

Wednesday Mass in St Andrews at 10am

Thursday Mass in St Columba's at 10 am (note change)

Friday Mass in St Andrew's at 10 am

Saturday no Mass in St Andrew's this morning

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, 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

Holidays 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 Sunday of the month, St Columba's

Coffee after Mass

First Saturday of the month, St Andrew's

Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, 5 pm

Pope Francis' prayer intention for September 2019

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

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 rccchaplain.hospital@yahoo.com

7th/8th September 2019

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C)

Vocations Sunday

Today's Liturgy Eucharistic Prayer III

Readings

Wisdom 9: 13-18

Philemon 9-10. 12-17

Luke 14: 25-33

Spoken Psalm Response

Lord, you have been our refuge

From one generation to the next

Next Sunday 24th Sunday of the Year

Vocations Awareness Week

This week is Vocations awareness Week when we pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. We are all called by the Lord to a unique vocation of service and love and we pray that we may discern our own vocation. Here in Galloway diocese we currently have two seminarians at the Scots' College in Rome, Kevin Rennie who is from St Andrew's parish and Michael Kearns from St Winin's Kilwinning who has been us as a parish placement. We pray for them and we pray that more may hear God's call to them to serve the people of God.

Father Gerald's Mass intentions for this week

Tuesday: Sheena Rocchiccioli

Wednesday: Gordon Watson

Thursday: Frank McMahon

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.

Sick and Housebound

Michael Clark Elizabeth Elliot Donald & Betty

Joan Jeavons Betty Fulton Finnan

Norah McDonald

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

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.

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.**

Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals have issued an appeal for help for a school in Madagascar. We have sent £100 from the Jars of Hope. If you wish to help visit the website <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk>



There is a new address for SCIAF

7 West Nile St Glasgow G1 2PR;
tel: 0141 354 5555 or sciaf@sciaf.org.uk

Fr Gerald new email address.

To contact Fr Gerald directly for any personal enquiries use the email address dumfries.standrew@gallowaydiocese.org.uk this is to help comply with the new GDPR regulations.

Invitation-All welcome

2nd Dumfries Boys Brigade: The Boys Brigade meet at St Michaels Church Hall on Friday evenings. Registration for their new session is on Friday September 6th between 7pm and 9pm. They have plenty of spaces available in the Anchor section (5-7yrs) and Junior section (8-10yrs) and limited space in the Company section (11-15 yrs). If anyone is interested then please come along on the 6th, or contact Jim Dillett on 07801619678

St Andrew's

Meetings

The Finance committee meets this Tuesday evening at 7pm.

The Ladies' Circle will be meeting on the afternoon of Tuesday, September 10th, at 1.30 p.m. *Please note this new time for all future meetings.* We shall continue to meet fortnightly.

Scottish Bible Society

The collection last week amounted to £62.30 and a letter of thanks has been received.

Soup Lunches

St John's are starting their Friday Soup Lunches again on Friday 13th September in aid of First Base food parcels. See the poster for more details.

Coffee Morning after Mass on Sunday 29th September

Coffee that day will be in aid of the women and children in the Holy Land. Come and enjoy a bacon roll, or a strawberry tart or a meringue and support a great cause. There will also be a lucky dip — prize every rime, Carol would welcome donations of baking (call her on 264356). Thank you.

Weekly Collection

The collection last week amounted to £924.23. Parishioners gave £126.11 to St Vincent de Paul. The Jars of Hope fund increased by £93 to £396. £100 was sent to Mary's Meals (see above) bringing the total to £296. Thank you.

Ministries at Mass—help needed

An appeal is made for parishioners in both St Andrew's and St Columba's to seriously consider serving in one of the ministries at Mass. There is a need for more readers and Eucharistic ministers and we also need more people for the music ministry. If you are interested please speak to Fr Gerald or a member of the PPC, or if you think someone else, a member of your family or a fellow parishioner, might be able to fill these roles please encourage them.

The relics of St Therese

The visit to Galloway Diocese of the relics of St Therese was a great event; over 3,000 people visited the Cathedral and 1,300 to St Teresa's over the four days. For those of you with Facebook access there are lots of photos and some videos - search for RC Ayr or Galloway Diocese, and there will be pages of photos in the forthcoming edition of Galloway Diocese News which will be in parishes in the next two weeks.



Three dates for your diaries

Mary's Meals 'Rags to Riches' collection

The van will be visiting both churches on Sunday 27th October to collect your unwanted clothes and textiles. The usual arrangements will be made at St Andrew's for those coming to the Saturday Vigil Mass.

Folk from Girvan entertain

Fr Gerald's talented friends will be back on Friday 15th November. More details to follow.

The Russian 'Resurrection' choir

This wonderful choir will be returning to St Andrew's as part of their UK tour on Tuesday 19th November. More details to follow.

St Columba's

Christian Aid

Annan Christian Aid Committee are holding their Annual Quiz night on Wednesday 18th September at 7pm in Annan Old Parish Church Hall. £10 per team of 4. Tea/Coffee and Refreshments will be served during the evening. Please let Colette know if anyone would like to take part.



Coffee morning

On **Saturday 21st September at 10am** in the Market Hall. Donations for the tombola are most welcome but, most importantly, please come along with your friends and support this parish event.

Weekly Collection

The weekly collection on 18th August was £304.50 and £57.22 was collected for SCIAF. Thank you.