



St John the Evangelist
Stevenson

27th January 2019

Third Second Sunday of the Year C



Our Lady Star of the Sea
Saltcoats

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Sr Marie Monique & Sr Ursula : Pastoral Assistants to the Three Towns
Canon Matt McManus (Retired)

Sunday Masses: **St Mary's 4.30pm Vigil and 10am**
 St John's 11.30am

WEEKDAY MASS / SERVICE TIMES

	St John's	St Mary's	St Peter's
Monday	10am Mass	10am Service of the Word	10am Mass
Tuesday	10am Service of the Word	10am Mass	10am Mass
Wednesday	10am Service of the Word	—————	10am Mass
Thursday	10am Funeral Mass	10am Service of the Word	10am Funeral Mass
Friday	10am Funeral Mass	10am Service of the Word	10am Mass
Saturday	10am Mass	—————	10am Mass

Reconciliation: St John's Saturday at 10.30am. St Mary's Saturday 3.45pm
Morning Prayers: St Mary's Tuesday at 9.30am.

John Gowrie RIP
David Hume RIP

John's Prayers of Reception will take place on Wednesday at 6pm in St John's
His funeral Mass will take place on Thursday at 10am
Followed by burial in West Kilbride Cemetery.
David's Prayers of Reception will take place on Thursday at 6pm in St John's
His Funeral Mass will take place on Friday at 10am followed by burial in High Road Cemetery.
+May they rest in peace+

Love is.....In the New Testament, love is more of a verb than a noun. It has more to do with acting than with feeling. The call to love is not so much a call to a certain state of feeling as it is to a quality of action. **R.C. Sproul**

Spirals of Hatred. Pope Francis warned on Thursday, in his World Day of Social Communications message, against the increasing narcissism and "spirals of hatred" found on today's social media networks, encouraging people to cultivate community through their internet interactions instead. Pope Francis said that online discussion is "too often based on opposition to the other." "We define ourselves starting with what divides us rather than with what unites us, giving rise to suspicion and to the venting of every kind of prejudice (ethnic, sexual, religious and other)," Francis wrote in the letter published on Thursday.

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for January - Evangelisation – Young People. That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

SPECIAL COLLECTION.

Will take place at all masses next weekend for the Church Students Fund—Gift Aid envelopes will be available.

Parishes of the RC Diocese of Galloway Charity Registration No: SCO10576

THE FOLLOWING MASS INTENTIONS ARE BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:



RIP Wed Ann: William & Grace Lundie.

RIP Birthday: Connell Thomas

Anniversary: Annie Monan, Teresa Fitzsimmons, Julia McRoberts, Evelyn Clugston, Mary & James McLaughlin, Jim Moffat (7 months mind), Eleanor Gallacher (7 months mind), David McGowan and Bernie Doyle (1st Ann).

Recently Deceased: Marie Ramsay, Brian Kemp, Jean Cluckie, David Hume, John Gowrie, Raquel Rangel Cordero (Mexico), Gerard McGinlay, Hugh Adams, Jimmy Crichton, Jane O'Neil, Alister Fisher, Isabel McHugh, Pat Kelly and Maura Lapsley.

Masses are celebrated also by Priests in country parishes in our Diocese, retired priests, Fr Keith, Fr Gerard McCabe & Mission Matters Scotland (Pontifical Mission Societies).

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK. 3rd February 2019; Fourth Sunday of the Year C; Jeremiah 1:4-5. 17-19; Psalm 70; I Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:



For all the sick in our parishes*

RIP Wed Ann: William & Grace Lundie.

RIP Birthday: Connell Thomas

Those who have an anniversary: Annie Monan, Teresa Fitzsimmons, Julia McRoberts, Evelyn Clugston, Mary & James McLaughlin, Jim Moffat (7 months mind), Eleanor Gallacher (7 months mind), David McGowan, Teresa Fitzsimmons, Bernie Doyle (1st Ann), Gretta Taylor, Sabina & Patrick Moran, Mary Whiston and Kathleen (Bann) O'Hare.

Those who have died recently: Marie Ramsay, Brian Kemp, Jean Cluckie, David Hume, John Gowrie, Raquel Rangel Cordero (Mexico), Gerard McGinlay, Hugh Adams, Jimmy Crichton, Jane O'Neil, Alister Fisher, Pat Kelly, Isabel McHugh, Betty McShane (Shotts), Jim Collins (Ireland), Maura Lapsley, Anne Marie McMail, Anne Mallon (Linlithgow), Andy Leitch, Eileen D'Agostino, Ron Walker (Canada) and Helen Templeton.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS. St Mary's: £779.18 (Envelopes £451.85. Cash £327.33). St John's: £620.63. (Envelopes £475.83 Cash £144.80). SCIAF: £47.28. Building and Renovations: £113.63. Collection envelopes will be returned to the parish of issue and added into the following weeks figures.

PARISH HALLS. To book any of our halls please call Trina on 467468 for St Mary's and Michael Lafferty on 461234 for St John's. Please note booking form has to be completed to confirm your booking.

ST. JOHN'S FUNERAL TEAS. Further information from Christina Harnett on 07562360517 or 01294 466084.

SUNDAY TEAS. After 10am Mass in St Mary's (New rota is available in the hall kitchen, can all volunteers please add their name to which Sundays they are willing to help out). After 11.30am Mass in St John's.

RCIA. Will attend the Joy of the Gospel meeting in St John's hall at 7pm.

ST MARY'S TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB. Every Tuesday 10.30am till 2pm . Food served until 12.30pm.

MARY'S MEALS. A box is available in both Church porches for donations. Donations up to 1st March will be match funded by the UK Government

CHURCH CLEANERS. Tuesdays at 7.30pm in St John's and Thursdays after 10am Mass in St Mary's.

GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP. Meet every Monday at 7 pm in St John's Church House. We reflect and pray using the readings for the following Sunday. New members will be made very welcome.

S.V.D.P. Please call 07379400568 (please note new number) for Saltcoats and 07498501326 for Stevenston.

FOOD BANK, STEVENSTON. Foodbank is open each Wednesday from 4pm till 5pm in the parish hall.

FOOD BANK, SALTCOATS . The Foodbank is open at the Salvation Army Hall and will distribute boxes from there each Tuesday from 2pm until 3.30pm. We need more volunteers in distributing the food , if you can help please phone 07979873747 for details.

ST MARY'S PARISH HALL. Our parish hall is available for approved social functions. A small meeting room is also available. We have a licensed bar available for functions. If you would like to book the hall please contact Trina on 467468 or for more bar information please contact our bar manager Caroline McKenna on 07825553243. (Please note that if you wish to use our parish bar at least 6 weeks notice is required to allow us to apply for licence). **Please note that you are not permitted to bring in your own alcohol to any function.**

BULLETIN NOTICES. If you wish anything in the parish bulletin please contact Lorna at St Mary's parish office on 463461 or email saltcoats@gallowaydiocese.org.uk by Thursday morning or Ian Neal for St John's by Wednesday evening on 465630 or email stjohnstevenston@gmail.com

***The new terms of the Data Protection Regulation (See below) prevent us from publishing the names of the sick either in electronic form or in paper form in the bulletin. A new folder containing the names of the sick will be brought through the Church in the offertory procession each week so that these people are included in our prayers. Please inform the parish office in writing of any names to be either included or taken out of this list.**

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

The Regulation came into force on Friday 25th May 2018, and gives individuals greater rights and control over the use of their personal information. Your privacy is important to the Parish Communities of St. John's and St. Mary's. We use the personal data, provided by you for Pastoral support and the administration of weekly collections. The information is held securely and confidentially in electronic or paper format. We will not share this information with third parties without your prior consent. A fuller Privacy Notice is now available on the Diocesan website. www.gallowaydiocese.org.uk/privacy-policy-and-gdpr

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION. After School Club this Monday in St Mary's hall for children attending **St Anthony's School**.

PARENTAL MEETING. Will take place this coming Wednesday (30th) at 7.15pm in St John's hall for those preparing for confirmation/First Eucharist from **St John's School**.

CRISIS BAG VOLUNTEERS. We are still looking for 1 volunteer driver from St John's who would consider distributing bags of food to families who are struggling in our community. Please speak to Canon Martin if you are interested in helping out.

THANK YOU. Received from Hillhouse Kilmarnock for the Christmas gifts left at the Crib in St John's.

THE CARDINAL WINNING PRO-LIFE INITIATIVE. Letter of thanks has been received from Sr Andrea for goods and money received from the Christmas gift donations.

NEW PARISH EMAILS. St Mary's: saltcoats@gallowaydiocese.org.uk and St John's: stevenston@gallowaydiocese.org.uk

CHANA - VOLUNTEER HAIRDRESSER REQUIRED. We are looking for a hairdresser to help in the Drop In in the Kirkgate in Saltcoats on a Friday from 12pm till 2pm. Our clients are homeless or on the margins. We don't need you to commit to every Friday. If you can help please phone Anne McGuire on 07585 665751. Thank you.

CHANA - We have now taken stock and want to continue to collect Shampoo and Rubber Gloves as well as socks. The CHANA Box is in the porch. **Thank you for your continued generosity.**

FR KEITH'S SHOP AND DONATIONS 21ST JANUARY 2019. We have sent £1,000 cheque to Mrs Osbourne, Fr Keith's Sister. Thanks to everyone for gifts, jars of money and donations. Fr Keith has been in touch and is hoping to come visit in the summer. He is keeping a lot better.

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL. It turns out it is not a series of talks by Fr. Willie McFadden but a Study Course on the Pope's ground breaking encyclical The Joy of the Gospel which Fr. Willie has organised. The idea is to read a chapter of the booklet and share your thoughts with others. There will be one session a month for 6 months - no more than one hour. The first is in St. John's Hall this coming Tuesday at 7pm. The booklets are beside the Names List in the porch. Please take a booklet and tick your name off the list. Please will you read the Introduction, pages 5-9 before the meeting.

ST MATTHEWS'S ACADEMY. Are hosting a quiz night this coming Friday (1st) in St. Mary's church hall, to raise funds to enable us to welcome a group of pupils and teachers from our Partnership school St. Peter's in Malawi. This promises to be a fun-filled night with games, raffle, and a bar. Tickets are £5 for an adult and £3 for a concession and include a snack and will be available for purchase from St Matthews Academy's school office or on the night. Doors open at 7pm. Come and support your local school, test your knowledge and win some exciting prizes! We look forward to seeing you there!

FAMILY BINGO. Will take place on Friday 22nd February at 7pm for 7.30pm in St Mary's hall to raise funds for Youth for Lourdes. Tickets £2/adult and £1/child and will be available from Teresa Burns, St Mary's parish office or at the door on the night. Donations for prizes would be appreciated and can be handed into the parish office.

YOUTH FOR LOURDES 2019. We are looking for young people from S4 in secondary school up to and including age 23 to come and join us as part of the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes this year. We depart on Sunday 30th June and return on Wednesday 10th July. The full cost is £685. Our next meeting is in St John's Church Hall, Glaisnock Road, Cumnock. KA18 1JU on Sunday 10th March from 3pm till 6pm. Come and join us then or contact us on teamyfl@yahoo.co.uk or call Fr Jim Hayes on 01387 252603 for more information or look us up on Facebook: Youth for Lourdes (Galloway).

DIOCESAN WORLD DAY OF THE SICK. Will take place on Sunday 10th February in St Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr. Pilgrimage Volunteer Sign-up and PVG session at 2pm-3.30pm; World Day of Prayer for the Sick Mass at 4pm and AGM of Galloway Lourdes Hospitalite at 5.30pm.

SCIAF LENTEN TRAINING. This Saturday (2nd) at 11am. until 1pm in the Church Hall of Our Lady and St Meddan's, Troon.

DAVID WELLS. Is a catechist and author and the Embracing change Spirituality Group in North Ayrshire has invited David to come to the Deanery to speak about Pope Francis' recent Apostolic Exhortation, 'Gaudete et Exsultate' (Rejoice and be Glad). On Sunday 10th February at 3pm he will address the assembled gathering in St Peter's, Ardrossan, Following his talk there will be an opportunity for small group discussions to take place in the church hall before a final plenary session in the Church. There will also be periods of prayer at the beginning and end of the event. Please contact the St Mary's parish office or St John's by 3rd February if you wish to attend for catering purposes.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 17th JUNE 2019. Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 17th June 2019. £649.00 pp sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, from Edinburgh, transfers in Ireland, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. WCHR rooms on request. Single room supplement £100. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

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