



St John the Evangelist
Stevenson

22nd July 2018

Sixteenth Sunday of Year B



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 John's 4.30pm, 10am and 11.30am

WEEKDAY MASS / SERVICE TIMES

	St John's	St Mary's	St Peter's
Monday	10am Mass	_____	10am Mass
Tuesday	10am Mass	_____	10am Mass
Wednesday	10am Mass	_____	10am Mass
Thursday	10am Mass	_____	10am Mass
Friday	10am Funeral Mass	_____	10am Funeral Mass
Saturday	10am Mass	_____	10am Mass

Exposition: St John's Friday at 10.30am

Reconciliation: St John's Saturday at 10.30am and 3.45pm till 4.15pm.

ST MARY'S CHURCH REFURBISHMENT. Work continues in the Church and throughout the work involved **the church will be closed to the public for health and safety reasons.** The proposed works will take approximately 12 weeks and the 4.30pm Vigil Mass and 10am Sunday Mass will be celebrated in St John's, Stevenston. Throughout this period the parish office in St Mary's will be open as usual.

Peter Dougan RIP
Brian McNulty RIP
Mary Imrie RIP

Peter's Funeral Service will take place tomorrow (Monday) at 9.30am in Holmsford Bridge Crematorium.
Brian's Prayers of Reception and Funeral Mass will take place on Friday (27th) at 10am in **St Peter's, Ardrossan**
Mary's Prayers of Reception and Funeral Mass will take place on Friday (27th) at 10am in St John's
Followed by burial in Hawkhill Cemetery, Stevenston
+May they rest in peace+

CHURCH ETIQUETTE. There are no reserved seats in any church so please be considerate and polite if someone is sitting in your usual place. Recent visitors have had a bad experience this way.

The level of noise in church before Mass begins is getting louder and louder and is a distraction to people who are trying to say their Prayers. In the five minutes before Mass begins can we have a quieter atmosphere to help everyone prepare for Mass.

Thank you to Canon McManus for celebrating the masses this weekend.

Fr Frank O'Rourke (Retired, St Michael's, Parkhead) hopes to join us for Mass in the coming week.

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

THE FOLLOWING MASS INTENTIONS ARE BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

Anniversary: Rose Anne McAteer, Bill & Mona Smith, Matthew Brady Snr, Rose Brady (Sr Anne of Jesus), John Quinn and John Giffney.

Recently Deceased: George Burnett, Mary Imrie, Peter Dougan, Anne Murray (Kilmarnock), Alice Stakim (Auchinleck), Ellen Wardrope, Paddy Yelverton (England), Theresa Dodson (Yelverton) (Ireland), Brian McNulty and Geraldine.

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. 29th July 2018;
Seventeenth Sunday of the Year B; 2 Kings 4:42-44;
Psalm 144; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS.

St Mary's: £643.07. (Envelopes £414.96; Cash £228.11).

St John's: £730.46. (Envelopes £607.40; Cash £123.06). SCIAF; £59.20. Collection envelopes will be returned to the parish of issue and added into the following weeks figures.

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA. St Mary's £504.77. St John's £224.57.

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 11.30am Mass in St John's.

ST MARY'S TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB. Have now closed for their well deserved summer break and will re-open in August.

CHURCH CLEANERS. Tuesday's at 7.30pm in St John's.

POETRY GROUP. Meets every last Thursday of the month in St Mary's parish hall at 7.15pm.

GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP. Will meet on Monday at 7 pm in St John's Church house.

S.V.D.P. Please call 07796237890 for Saltcoats and call 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.

ST MARY'S PARISH HALL. Our parish hall is available for all types of functions i.e. baptism, wedding or birthday party or any other event. We have a licensed bar available for all of these 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 0782553243. (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).

BULLETIN NOTICES. If you wish anything in the parish bulletin please contact Lorna at St Mary's parish office on 463461 or email mail@rcsaltcoats.com 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.**

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY 2018. EVANGELISATION – Priests and their Pastoral Ministry. That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:



For all the sick in our parishes*

Special Intention

Those who have an anniversary: Rose Anne McAteer, Bill & Mona Smith, Matthew Brady Snr, Rose Brady (Sr Anne of Jesus), John Quinn, John Giffney, Peter Breslin, Betty McGinn, Margaret Dillon, Marion Callaghan, James & Theresa McIvor, Jackie McMurdo and Irene Smith.

Those who have died recently: George Burnett, Marie Imrie, Peter Dougan, Anne Murray (Kilmarnock), Alice Stakim (Auchinleck), Ellen Wardrope, Paddy Yelverton (England), Theresa Dodson (Yelverton) (Ireland), Brian McNulty, Geraldine, Eileen Loughran, Christine Nicol, Peter Reilly, Liz McCabe (Irvine), Elizabeth (Betty) McGowan (Blantyre), Frank Lowey, Eleanor Gallacher, Terry Meechan (Leicester), Maria Minnery, Richard Northcote, Colin Campbell (Salisbury), Sylvia Kemp and Paul Carroll (Glasgow)

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 will be published shortly

ST JOHN'S. A serious incident has happened in the grounds of St John's Church on 9th July 2018. If you have any information please pass it onto the police who are investigating.

MARY'S MEALS. The team would like to say a very BIG thank you to the boys & girls of Primary 4 in St Anthony's & St John's primary schools who generously donated some of their First Holy Communion money gifts to Mary's Meals. The total amount from both schools was £241. At present Mary's Meals are feeding over 1,200,000 children in schools in some of the poorest countries of the world. It costs just £13.90 to give a child a meal every day for one school year. This money will feed 18 hungry children. Thanks again - you are wonderful!

CHANA - Churches Housing Action North Ayrshire. We have had a further meeting about establishing a Care and Share/ Lunch Club in the Kirkgate, Saltcoats for those who are homeless. We agreed that we would start on Friday 14th September. We are looking for more volunteers. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact CHANA on 07585 665751. The next Meeting is on Friday 3rd August in Kirkgate, Chapelwell Street, Saltcoats, at 11am.

SPORTSMAN'S DINNER. Will take place on Friday 21st September in St Winin's, Kilwinning. Main speaker is Chic Young. Three course dinner. Raffle and Auction. Tickets are priced at £25. There is only one table left, please contact Fr Gerry Magee on 552276.

20-40 NETWORK EVENTS. Aged 20-40? Would you like to meet some fellow young Catholics? We are going bowling at Soar, Braehead on Saturday 11th August at 7pm. Ticket sales close 3rd August. email 2040network@gmail.com to buy a £10 ticket or join our mailing list to find out about future events if you can't make this one.

WHITHORN PILGRIMAGE. Will take place on Sunday 26th August with Mass at the cave at 4pm and Mass in the parish church at 4.45pm A sign up sheet for the coach is available at the back of the church.

SCOTTISH INTERFAITH YOUTH CAMP 2018 (SIYC). Will take place on 7th-9th September in Dounans Centre, Aberfoyle. A unique opportunity to build friendships with people of similar and different faiths. Age group 16yrs-30yrs, tickets cost £90 which includes accommodation, meals and travel to and from Glasgow. Spaces are limited—make sure you don't miss out and book your space by contacting Claudia on 07443873717 or Ahmed on 07751655611 before 20th July.

BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF SCOTLAND—IN THE NAME OF THE OTHER. A Seminar on Emmanuel Levinas will take place on Friday 24th and Saturday 25th August in the Conforti Institute, Calder Avenue, Coatbridge. The seminar will begin on Friday evening and end with dinner on the Saturday evening. The costs is £50 for residential and £25 for non-residential. To register please email interfaith@bcos.org.uk.

SCES. The Parental Involvement Working Group has organised a number of "Gatherings for Catholic Parents" to help parents contribute to the developments in Catholic schools. This will take place on Saturday 18th August in St Charles' Church Hall, 5 Union Street, Paisley, PA2 6DU 9.30am—2.30pm. Places at this event are free but booking is essential. To book a place please contact parents@sces.uk.com.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES AT CARFIN. Will take place on Sunday 2nd September at 3pm in honour of St John Ogilvie. Principal Celebrant Archbishop Philip Tartaglia and Homilist Bishop Stephen Robson.

DIOCESAN HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2018. Our next pilgrimage to the Holy Land takes place from 15th-22nd October and the cost is £1,299 based on two people sharing. 75% of the reserved places have now been filled so if you are still thinking about booking you are advised to do so soon in order to ensure taking part in this wonderful experience. Booking Forms and the Itinerary are available from both parishes.

PRAYER WALK. The Annual Churches' Walk will take place next Sunday (29th) at 2.30 pm - leaving from St John's, stopping at the Cross, Livingstone Church and finishing with Afternoon Tea in Ardeer Church.

STEVENSTON PROTESTANT CHURCHES' MISSION WEEK 2018. Till Sunday 29th July with Messy Church in Livingstone on Saturday 28th July. See poster for more details.

ISLAM. We would also like you to know that the Church recognises the riches of the Islamic faith - a faith that binds us to the one God. **Pope Paul VI**

GOD OF SURPRISES. Pope Francis said last Sunday that God always surprises people with the way he works, and because of this, believers should be open to the Lord's way of thinking and acting, rather than expecting him to conform to their aspirations. He noted how certain "Prejudices" can be nurtured in Christians which prevent them from accepting the reality of how God works, however, "The Lord does not conform to prejudices. We have to force ourselves to open the mind and heart to welcome the divine reality that comes to meet us." **Catholic News Agency**

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY. 19th September 12.30pm St John's Summer Fayre.
Please note change of date

Neighbouring Parishes:
Father Duncan McVicar, St Peter's, Ardrossan 464063. Father Gerard Magee, St Winin's, Kilwinning 552276.
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