



St John the Evangelist
Stevenson

19th August 2018

Twentieth Sunday of Year B



Our Lady Star of the Sea
Saltcoats

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Sunday Masses: **St Mary's 4.30pm and 10am**
 St John's 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 Service of the Word	10am Mass	10am Mass
Saturday	10am Mass	—————	10am Mass

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

ST MARY'S CHURCH. Following the refurbishment of St. Mary's, the first Mass will be celebrated next Friday followed by the weekend Masses at their normal times. An invitation to ministry is enclosed with the bulletin – please consider joining others who already assist in various ways in the parish. A Book of Remembrance is being opened in St. Mary's and forms are available to include names of parishioners, relatives and friends who can be included. All we need is the name of the person and the date as required – day/month/year if possible.

IT IS NOT ENOUGH. It is not enough for Catholics to not do bad things, they must counter evil by actively living out charity in the performance of good deeds, Pope Francis told young people and others in St. Peter's Square last Sunday. "If we do not oppose evil, we feed it tacitly. It is necessary to intervene where evil spreads; because evil spreads where there are no daring Christians who oppose with good, 'walking in love,' according to the warning of St. Paul," the Pope said. "It is not enough not to hate, it is necessary to forgive," he said. "It is not enough not to have a grudge, we must pray for [our] enemies... it is not enough to not speak badly about others, we must stop when we hear someone talking badly." **Catholic News Agency**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 15th/Sunday 16th September—Mission Appeal
Sunday 16th September at 2.30pm—Mass for the Sick in St Mary's
Saturday 17th/Sunday 18th November—Mary's Meals visit/collection

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.

THE FOLLOWING MASS INTENTIONS ARE BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

RIP Birthday: Carla Marie Dickie

Special Intention.

Anniversary: Ellen Hastings, John Quinn and George McCulloch

Recently Deceased: George Burnett, Rosina Mulhall, Ursula McGuinness (Rutherglen), Donald Joseph Peteranna (South Uist), Neil Munro, Thomas McGowan and Winifred McMahon.



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. 26th August 2018;
Twenty First Sunday of the Year B; Joshua 24:1-2. 15-18;
Psalm 33; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:



For all the sick in our parishes*

Special Intention.

Those who have an anniversary: Ellen Hastings, John Quinn, George McCulloch, Cyril Martin Dorrian,(45months), John Collins (Snr), James , Mary & Patricia Morrison, Mary Ward, Thomas Collins, Dr Jimmy Gallagher , Jim Rourke, Chris Ross (1st), Hugh McCutcheon and Luigi Tortolano (2nd).

Those who have died recently: George Burnett, Rosina Mulhall, Ursula McGuinness (Rutherglen), Donald Joseph Peteranna (South Uist), Neil Munro, Thomas McGowan, Winifred McMahon, Zofia Megas (Poland), Elizabeth Shedden and Marc Devlin.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS. St Mary's: £626.54. (Envelopes £352.71; Cash £273.83). **St John's:** £611.36. (Envelopes £473.47; Cash £137.89). SCIAF;

£60.82. Building & Renovations £99.64. 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 11.30am Mass in St John's.

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

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

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

GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP. Will meet again after the holidays.

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 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).

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

HAVE YOU GOT THE BOTTLE? EMERGENCY INFORMATION SCHEME. Available free for anyone who feels vulnerable while living at home. Provides emergency services with vital details of any illness or allergy. Also with a contact name if they are called to your home. Bottles available at back of Church, at Surgeries, Chemist and many other locations. Initiative supported by NHS, Police, Fire & Ambulance. Implemented & Managed by Rotary Club of Hunterston.

PRESENTATION SKILLS EVENT. 20-40 Network invites you to join them on Sunday 2nd September from 12.45pm to 4pm at the Blackfriars Function Room, Glasgow. Tickets £10. e-mail 2940network@gmail.com to find out more or to buy a ticket.

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST — FOR THE TREASURE OF FAMILIES. That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

Stupidity is also a gift of God, but one mustn't misuse it. **Pope John Paul II**

***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 will be published shortly

SCHOOLS. As our schools re-open we wish all associated with our schools a successful academic year.

ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE. Is being organised for the **9th September 2018** and we need volunteers for the stalls that have been organised and to give other volunteers a break. We are also looking for prizes for this event, bottles for the bottle stall, home baking, bric-a-brac, books, good quality second hand toys, tombola prizes, plants, toiletries, soft toys, new unwanted electrical goods, vouchers or gift voucher. We cannot take clothes, used electrical goods or videos, sorry. Thank you in advance for your support. Please note there is now a list at the back of St John's Church for people to add their name to volunteer at the fete.

LUCKY BOXES. Are now available to buy at the back of the Church and will be drawn at the Summer Fete.

ST JOHN'S SVDP. The members will be involved at the Summer Fete running the Wheel of Fortune and we depend very much on your generosity. We are in need of donations of bottles etc. for prizes. If you can donate any prizes for the Wheel of Fortune please hand them to any SVDP member. Thank you for your generosity.

WHITHORN PILGRIMAGE. Will take place next Sunday (26th) 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.

SVDP SALTCOATS/STEVENSTON. The Annual Ozanam Mass and Blessing of the Sick will take place on Sunday 16th September at 2.30pm in St Mary's Church with Bishop Nolan. If you require transport, a sheet is available in the porch for names and addresses. We are also looking for volunteer drivers to assist parishioners getting to Mass, a sign up sheet is also available in the porch. Hospitality in the Hall after Mass. All Welcome.

FOOD COLLECTION AT ST JOHN'S. Which we share with the Foodbank and the High Kirk Crisis Parcels. Very few items have been donated recently so any contributions will be welcome.

RCIA. Anyone interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith or wishing to join the Church should contact Canon Martin at St Mary's parish office.

SALTCOATS RAINBOWS/BROWNIES. Rainbows start back on Monday 3rd September at 5.30pm in St Mary's hall and Brownies return on Monday 10th September in St Mary's Hall at 6.30pm

CHANA - Churches Homeless Action North Ayrshire. We are making a fresh appeal for disinfectant, cloths, kitchen roll, kitchen cleaners, scourers, rubber gloves, soap powder, pegs & washing line to help people get started. There is a box at the back of the Church. **Thank you again - you are so very generous**

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 this coming Friday and Saturday in the Conforti Institute, Calder Avenue, Coatbridge. The seminar will begin on Friday evening and end with dinner on the Saturday evening. The cost is £50 for residential and £25 for non-residential. To register please email interfaith@bcos.org.uk.

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.

THE VENERABLE MARGARET SINCLAIR. The 2018 Annual Pilgrimage to pray for her Beatification will take place on Sunday 9th September in St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh starting at 2pm; Film : The Story of Margaret Sinclair, Servant of God at 3pm and Holy Mass at 4.30pm. Refreshments available.

ORGAN RECITAL. There will be an Organ Recital on the Willis organ in Mauchline Parish Church at 7pm on Friday 7th September. Entry by donation. See notice board for more details.

2018 CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE. Catholic Scotland invites you to join them on Saturday 8th September and Sunday 9th September at St Ninian's High School, Giffnock. This year's theme is "*See I am doing a new thing*". To book a place go to www.celebrateconference.org or phone Ged Farrell on 07793 370910.

MARY'S MEALS DAY. Taking place in Glasgow Royal Concert Hall on Sunday 9th September. For details and to reserve a place, go to marysmeals.org.uk /MarysMealsDay

THE ROLE OF THE LAITY IN THE CHURCH TODAY. A conference in Gillis Centre, Edinburgh on Saturday 6th October. For more details e-mail Sr Mirjam Hugens at archsecretary@staned.org.uk or call 0131 623 8902

Neighbouring Parishes:

Father Duncan McVicar, St Peter's, Ardrossan 464063. Father Gerard Magee, St Winin's, Kilwinning 552276.
RC Chaplain at Crosshouse and Ayr Hospitals is Deacon Bill Corbett 01292 521208

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