



St John the Evangelist
Stevenson

26th August 2018

Twenty First 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 Service of the Word	10am Mass
Tuesday	—————	10am Mass	10am Mass
Wednesday	10am Mass	—————	10am Mass
Thursday	10am Mass	10am Service of the Word	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.
Exposition: St John's Thursday at 10.30am. St Mary's Friday at 10.30am

ST MARY'S CHURCH. An invitation to ministry is available from the church porch or the parish office – 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.

Of Christian Origin Our responsibility as Christians makes us tremble. The northern hemisphere, the developed area of the world, the 20% who possess 80% of the world's resources, are of Christian origin. What impression can our African and Asian brethren and the masses in Latin America have of Christianity, if the tree is to be judged by its fruits? For we Christians are largely responsible for the unjust world in which we live. **Dom Helder Camara**

From the Pope's letter on Sex Abuse. Please see letter attached to the notice boards.

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.

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:



Diamond Wedding Remembrance: J&C

Anniversary: Patrick Harrison, Peter Mosley, David Munn, Anne Law, Michael Pollock, Ellen Hastings, James & Mary McEvoy, Michael McDermott, George & Mary Templeton, Gus McCall, Patrick Coleman and Daniel Callaghan.

RIP: Joseph Lee.

Recently Deceased: Brenda Hefferman, Ann Reid (Seabank Nursing Home), Fr James Mehan and Patricia McGarrigle (Glasgow).

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. 2nd September 2018; Twenty Second Sunday of the Year B; Deuteronomy 4:1-2. 6-8; Psalm 14; James 1:17-18. 21-22.27; Mark 7:1-8.14-15.21-23

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:



For all the sick in our parishes*

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RIP: Joseph Lee.

Those who have an anniversary: Patrick Harrison, Peter Mosley, David Munn, Anne Law, Michael Pollock, Ellen Hastings, James & Mary McEvoy, Michael McDermott, George & Mary Templeton, Gus McCall, Patrick Coleman, Daniel Callaghan. John Quinn and George McCulloch.

Those who have died recently: Brenda Hefferman, Ann Reid (Seabank Nursing Home), Fr James Mehan and Patricia McGarrigle (Glasgow). George Burnett, Rosina Mulhall, Ursula McGuinness (Rutherglen), Donald Joseph Peteranna (South Uist), Neil Munro, Thomas McGowan, Winifred McMahan, Zofia Megas (Poland) and Elizabeth Shedden

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS. St Mary's: £681.10. (Envelopes £443.22; Cash £237.88). St John's: £797.04. (Envelopes £636.50; Cash £160.54). SCIAF;

£31.08; Building & Renovations £120.82. 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 and 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. We will have our first meeting after the holidays on Monday from 7 pm till 8 pm in St John's Church House. We read and reflect on the Mass readings for the following Sunday. Please feel free to join us.

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 stjohndevon@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.

***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

KEVIN RENNIE. Completes his pastoral placement this weekend and after a break he will return to Rome to begin his 4th year of studies. We thank him for his contribution to Parish Life and assure him of prayers for his vocation.

SAFEGUARDING. Thank you to Brian Burns who has been the Assistant Safeguarding Co-Ordinator at St Mary's for several years and is now stepping down from this role. He is being replaced by Tony Fisher who has kindly accepted this post. Our Safeguarding Team in St Mary's are Barbara Griffin and Tony Fisher and in St John's are Teresa Thornton and Sandra McIvor. In order to compose a list of the household in St Mary's parish can those who serve as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and take communion to people in their own homes please complete the sheet in the sacristy. This does not apply to nursing home.

ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE. Is being organised for the **9th September 2018** and we need desperately 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. St John's hall will be open to receive donations on Sunday 2nd September 12.30-2pm; Friday 7th September 6pm-8pm and Saturday 8th September 1pm-8pm

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.

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. 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 or St Mary's parish office.

SALTCOATS RAINBOWS/BROWNIES. Rainbows start back tomorrow (Monday) at 5.30pm in St Mary's hall and Brownies return on next Monday (10th) 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. We are well on the way to establishing a Care and Share/Lunch Club in the Kirkgate, Saltcoats for those who are homeless. It will start on Friday 14th September. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact CHANA on 07585 665751. The next Meeting is this coming on Friday in the Kirkgate, Chapelwell Street, Saltcoats, at 11am.

THE LEGION OF MARY. Invites you to an afternoon with Mary at the Grotto at St Winin's Church on Sunday 9th September at 2pm. It is hoped that, weather permitting, the rosary can be said at the Grotto. We will then process into church for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and, hopefully, Benediction. It is also hoped to show a film in the hall where tea will be served. This is a time for quiet reflection and prayer. Please come and join us.

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.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES AT CARFIN. Will take place next Sunday 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

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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