



St John the Evangelist
Stevenson

10th February 2019

Fifth Sunday of the Year C



Our Lady Star of the Sea
Saltcoats

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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	1.30pm Nuptial Mass	10am Mass
Tuesday	10am Service of the Word	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
Exposition: St John's Thursday at 10.30am. Friday at 10.30am
Morning Prayers: St Mary's Tuesday at 9.30am. St John's Thursday at 9.30am

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, Feb 4, 2019 - Catholics, Muslims and all who believe in God must work together to build a culture of love, peace and human fraternity, Pope Francis said in a joint statement he signed with Ahmed el-Tayeb, Grand Imam of al-Azhar, during an interreligious meeting in Abu Dhabi. The document, entitled "A Document on Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together," invited "all persons who have faith in God and faith in human fraternity to unite and work together so that it may serve as a guide for future generations to advance a culture of mutual respect in the awareness of the great divine grace that makes all human beings brothers and sisters." **Catholic News Agency**

The Pope at Mass in Abu Dhabi - "Let us together ask here today for the grace of rediscovering the attraction of following Jesus, of imitating him, of not seeking anyone else but him and his humble love," the pope said during Mass at Zayed Sports City, a stadium in Abu Dhabi. **Catholic News Agency**

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). He will address the assembled gathering in St Peter's, Ardrossan today at 3pm, 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.

I am on hospital duties this week

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL The next meeting is in St. John's Hall on Tuesday 26th February at 7pm. **Please will you read the Chapter 1 before the meeting.**

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for February 2019. Human Trafficking For a generous welcome to the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution and of violence.

THE FOLLOWING MASS INTENTIONS ARE BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:



Anniversary: Joseph McGarvey, Moira Grant, Agnes Hazelton, Albert Garrett, Hannah & William Garrett, Pat Maxwell and Bridie Reid.

Recently Deceased: John Anderson, Danny Porter, Edward O'Neil, Brian Kemp, Eileen Fairlie, Jim Brennan (Airdrie) and George Barnett.

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. 17th February 2019; Sixth Sunday of the Year C; Jeremiah 17:5-8; Psalm 1; I Corinthians 15:12. 16-20

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS.

St Mary's: £664.61 (Envelopes £342.60. Cash £322.01).

St John's: £777.29. (Envelopes £646.49 Cash £130.80). SCIAF: £104.45. Collection envelopes will be returned to the parish of issue and added into the following weeks figures.

SPECIAL COLLECTION CHURCH STUDENTS. St Mary's £675.39. St Johns £333.52.

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 meet on Tuesday at 7.30pm in St John's parish house.

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 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.**

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:



For all the sick in our parishes*

Those who have an anniversary: Joseph McGarvey, Moira Grant, Agnes Hazelton, Albert Garrett, Hannah & William Garrett, Pat Maxwell, Bridie Reid, Margaret Nellis (21st Ann), Patsy Reid, Rachel Cairnie, Margaret Meechan & Deceased members of Meechan and McCafferty families, John Girvan, Ellen Jane Harbinson and Michael Boyd.

Those who have died recently: John Anderson, Danny Porter, Edward O'Neil, Eileen Fairlie, Jim Brennan (Airdrie), George Barnett, Eileen Fairlie, Marie Ramsay (Sister of Eileen McCallum), David Hume, Brian Kemp, Jimmy Brogan (Erskine), Tommy Ting Bell, Jean Cluckie, John Gowrie, Raquel Rangel Cordero (Mexico), Gerard McGinlay, Hugh Adams, Jimmy Crichton, Jane O'Neil, Alistair Fisher, Isabel McHugh, Betty McShane (Shotts), Jim Collins (Ireland), Maura Lapsley, Anne Marie McMail, Anne Mallon (Linlithgow) and Andy Leitch.

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

BEST WISHES. Go to Maureen Pllu and Brian Clarke who are to be married in St Mary's on Monday.

THANK YOU. To all who assisted with the Celebration of Confirmation in St Mary's. Special thanks to the staff in our schools, leaders of the After School Club and Saturday Club and congratulations to all the candidates.

HIGH KIRK COFFEE MORNING. In High Kirk Hall on Tuesday at 10.30 am. Why not drop in? You will be made most welcome.

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

CHANA -CHURCHES HOMELESS ACTION NORTH AYRSHIRE. Volunteer Hairdresser Required. We are looking for a hairdresser to help in the Drop In in the Kirkgate in Saltcoats on a Friday from 12.30pm till 2 pm. 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. 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.**

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.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2019. This year's World Day of Prayer in Saltcoats will take place in North Parish Church at 2pm on Friday 1st March. All welcome. Tea will be served in the hall after the service.

SCIAF's WEE BOX 6K FAMILY FUN RUN. Will take place on Saturday 4th May 2019, in Strathclyde Country Park 10am for 11am run start. Let's unite to end poverty. Millions of people around the world continue to struggle to support themselves and their families because of extreme poverty, war and natural disasters. Your entry fee and sponsorship will help fund our life changing work. Every step you take will bring someone living in poverty a step closer to supporting themselves and living with dignity. Whether you're old or young, running or walking, with family, friends or going solo, SCIAF's WEE BOX 6K Family Fun Run can help raise money so the poorest can survive and thrive. Sign up online at www.sciaf.org.uk to show solidarity with people in need around the world.

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT GREGORY. Will be holding a Scottish Spring Gathering day at St Mirin's Cathedral Hall, Ince Street, Paisley PA11 1HR this coming Saturday (16th) (10am —4.30pm). The workshop day will have a particular focus on planning and preparing for Mass, exploring what is needed for a truly worthy celebration of Mass, and will include workshops, talks and liturgies, for anyone involved in parish ministry, whether as choir director, instrumentalist, singer, reader, catechist or worshipper in the pew. All are very welcome, both members and non-members alike. Booking requests may be made by emailing bookingsssq.org.uk or calling Mary Rouse on 07540 532785. Online booking is available on our website at www.ssq.org.uk, where you can also print a booking form.

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 today 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.

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.

PROPOSED RALLY OF CRAIGLOCKHART FORMER STUDENTS. To celebrate the Centenary of the founding of Craiglockhart College of Education, A Reunion Rally has been planned for Saturday 11th May 2019 in Napier University, Craiglockhart Campus. Various event to follow. For further information and application form please email gripfast2019@gmail.com by 1st March 2019.

NEW FERTILITY CARE SCOTLAND CLINIC. We are opening a new clinic in the Diocesan offices, Paisley on Monday evenings from 7- 9pm. The first clinic will be tomorrow (Monday) and will run every alternate Monday thereafter. We run clinics in Edinburgh, Hamilton, Aberdeen and Paisley. At Fertility Care Scotland, we teach The Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Fertility Regulation, which helps couples achieve or postpone pregnancy in a natural way. We can help couples optimize their chances of conceiving. Our service is free and confidential, and no appointment is necessary. We invite you to come and visit us at one of our clinics. Phone: 0141 221 0858. E-Mail: info@fertilitycare.org.uk. Website at www.fertilitycare.org.uk Join us on facebook www.facebook.com/fertilitycarescotland. Follow us on twitter www.twitter.com/billingsscot.

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