



St John the Evangelist
Stevenson

17th March 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

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	10am Service of the Word	10am Mass
Tuesday	10am Funeral Mass	10am Service of the Word	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. St Mary's Friday at 10.30am
Stations of the Cross: St Mary's Tuesday at 9.30am. St John's Friday at 7pm

Teresa Patrick Loughran RIP

Prayers of Reception and Funeral Mass will take place on Tuesday at 10am in St John's
Followed by burial in High Road Cemetery
+May she rest in peace+

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES. St Peter's, Ardrossan—Monday 8th April at 7pm; St Mary's, Saltcoats— Tuesday 9th April at 2pm; St John's, Stevenston—Wednesday 10th April at 7pm

SCIAF. By giving, reflecting and acting with SCIAF during Lent, your parish is helping people like Lydia from Uganda to work their way out of poverty. By supporting SCIAF this Lent you can ensure this vital work continues.

Six years already??? On the sixth anniversary of Pope Francis' election last Wednesday, the Vatican's chief spokesman, Alessandro Gisotti, said Francis will continue to lead the Church as a synodal "field hospital" in the year ahead. Pope Francis "has a vision of an 'outgoing' Church and a 'field hospital' Church," he said. "The outgoing Church presupposes that you walk ... and 'synodal' means walking together," he continued. **Catholic News Agency**

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

March 23rd—Readers Day in St Peter's
May 4th—First Eucharist in St John's at 11am
May 11th—First Eucharist in St Mary's at 12 Noon
June 22nd—Eucharistic Ministers Day in St Peter's

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

THE FOLLOWING MASS INTENTIONS ARE BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:



Anniversary: May & Patrick Hanlon, Nanda McGoogan, Connell Thomas, Agnes Kelly, James Mulhern (Mucker), Patrick Hamilton Jnr, Ellen McGarvey, Bridget MacDonald (McGarvey), John McCann, Charles Smith, deceased members of the Taylor family and Michael Anderson.

Recently Deceased: Fr Keith, George Jackson, Teresa Loughran, Jimmy Carson, Irene Breen, Norman Jackson and Arthur Brown (Kilmarnock)

Masses are celebrated also by Fr Gerard McCabe—Retired Priest Mission Matters Scotland (Pontifical Mission Societies).

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK. 24th March 2019; Third Sunday of Lent Year C; Exodus 3:1-8. 13-15; Psalm 102; I Corinthians 10:1-6. 10-12; Luke 13:1-9

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS.

St Mary's: £843.05 (Envelopes £464.83. Cash £378.22).

St John's: £639.70. (Envelopes £506.01. Cash £133.69). SCIAF: £31.34. Building and Renovations: £114.55. Hall Donation: £5,000. 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. After 11.30am Mass in St John's.

RCIA. Will meet again 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.

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.**

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH. Evangelisation: That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Lenten Retreat See www.pray-as-you.org

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:



For all the sick in our parishes*

90th Birthday Intention

Those who have an anniversary: May & Patrick Hanlon, Nanda McGoogan, Connell Thomas, Agnes Kelly, James Mulhern (Mucker), Patrick Hamilton Jnr, Ellen McGarvey, Bridget MacDonald (McGarvey), John McCann, Charles Smith, deceased members of the Taylor family, Michael Anderson, Teresa Reid, Billy Convery, Fr James McHugh, Derrick Whitehead, Arthur Cambridge Jnr, Luke Gargan, William Henry McCann, Helen Celendile, Mary Linney, John Tonner, Sarah Crawford and Bobby McCall.

Those who have died recently: Fr Keith, Teresa Loughran, Irene Breen, Norman Jackson, Arthur Brown (Kilmarnock), Peter Thomson, Ian Thomson, George Jackson, John McKelvie, Claire McCann (Sussex), Angela Vella, Jim Meechan, Jimmy Carson, Sadie Cunningham, Harry Docherty (Cumbernauld), William Barrett, (Irvine) and Eileen Davidson.

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

FR KEITH. Sadly we heard of Fr Keith's death on Thursday in Guyana. We have assured his sister Gail of our prayers both for Fr Keith and for their family at this time. Arrangements will be made for a mass to be celebrated in St Mary's at a suitable date.

ST MARY'S SVDP. During Lent, on behalf of the homeless men and women who visit the Ozanam Centre in Glasgow, St Mary's SVDP is collecting ladies and gents toiletries. A box is available in the church porch.

ST. MARY'S WEEKLY ENVELOPES. Those of you who use weekly offering envelopes may pick up your new sets for the coming year from this weekend. If you do not Gift Aid yet-please consider doing so-it makes such a difference. Please contact the parish office.

JOY OF THE GOSPEL. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 26th March in St John's hall. Please read Chapter 2 of the booklet.

CHRISM MASS. Will take place in St. Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr on Tuesday 16th April at 7.30pm. A sign up sheet is available for names in both porches for those wishing to travel by coach.

ST JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP. We will be hosting our annual Come Dine With Me on Fri 26th and Sat 27th April. 3 course meal, games and entertainment. Tickets priced at Adult £15, Child £7.50. Fun filled night for all the family. Further details/Tickets available from any of Youth Group Leaders or Tel : 07960536326

LOURDES ASSISTED/SICK PILGRIM PLACES. We have availability in our welcome centre for those who require support in any way, the welcome centre is set up like a hospital ward and our medical team are able to support assisted pilgrims in their care 24 hours per day. If you or someone you know would like to join us on pilgrimage this year (1st - 8th July) it costs £719 full board, please get in touch with our chief nurse Janie Agnew to find out more on 07739399222.

LOURDES 2019 - SAFEGUARDING TRAINING. The following dates have been set up for adult volunteers of this summers pilgrimage to carry out mandatory safeguarding training. You are required to attend only one of these meetings, however, if you have completed training at Parish level recently you will need to let our safeguarding officer Lynsey May know to ensure dates can be cross matched. Sunday 24th March, 3pm, St John's, Cumnock and Sunday 12th May, 3pm, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Kilmarnock

MOVIES WITH MEANING (eg THE WAY). 7pm in St Bride's Church Hall, West Kilbride Sunday's during Lent, and St John Ogilvie's Parish Centre, Irvine Monday's during Lent.

PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE. "Short term Pledge for Lent." Leaflets are available at the back of the church.

OASIS DAY 2019. For Parish Readers— will take place in St Peter's, Ardrossan next Saturday (23rd) Please let Canon Martin or the parish office know if you are able to attend as soon as possible please.

KILT WALK 2019. Lorna, St Mary's Parish Secretary is walking "The Mighty Stride" from Glasgow Green to Balloch on 28th April 2019. All donations will be going towards North Ayrshire Cancer Care. Sponsors sheets are available at the back of the church and in church hall or you can donate online at glasgowkiltwalk2019.everydayhero.com/uk/lorna-1. Any donations can be left at the stall or handed into the parish office. Thank you.

AYRSHIRE CURIA OF THE LEGION OF MARY. Are holding their Annual Acies Ceremony next Sunday at 3pm in St Winin's Church, Kilwinning. Legion Prayers and Rosary followed by our Consecration to Our Lady and Benediction. Refreshments in the Church hall after Ceremony. Active and auxiliary members and friends of the Legion of Mary welcome.

THE JUSTICE AND PEACE COMMISSION. Celebrate their 40th Anniversary this year. Mass will be celebrated at Carfin on 1st April at 1pm. Eight trees will then be planted at Carin, one for each Diocese.

MARK HERON'S MALAWI RACE NIGHT. "Classrooms for Malawi." Local parishioner Mark will be contributing to an ongoing building programme: working with volunteers, schools, community groups, and other charities to facilitate those living in poverty in Malawi. He is holding a Race Night next Saturday (23rd). Contact Mark on 07466147493 or www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mark-heron17. Any contribution would be greatly appreciated.

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. Sign up online at www.sciaf.org.uk to show solidarity with people in need around the world.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL. Bishop Nolan will lead a Diocesan Pilgrimage to Turkey from October 10th - 17th 2019, visiting the sites of the Seven Churches of Asia Minor. Further information and Booking Forms can be obtained from Fr. David Borland - his contact details are displayed on the Poster in the Church porches.

YOUTH FOR LOURDES 2019. Departing 30th June till 10th July. The full cost is £685. 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).

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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