



St John the Evangelist
Stevenson

5th May 2019

Third Sunday of Easter

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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 Service of the Word	10am Mass	10am Mass
Wednesday	10am Mass	—————	10am Mass
Thursday	10am Service of the Word	10am Funeral Mass	10am Mass
Friday	10am Service of the Word	10am Mass	10am Mass 12.30pm Funeral Service
Saturday	—————	12 Noon First Eucharist	10am Mass

Reconciliation: St Mary's Saturday 3.45pm

Morning Prayers: St Mary's Tuesday at 9.30am

Rosary: St John's on Tuesday at 7pm during the month of May

Josie Hickey RIP

Prayers of Reception will take place on Wednesday at 6pm in St Mary's
Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday at 10am
followed by cremation in Holmsford Bridge

+May she rest in peace+

DEANERY HOLY HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION. Will take place today in St. Bride's, West Kilbride at 3pm

Where your money goes. Peter's Pence, a global charitable fund overseen by Pope Francis, will support migrants in limbo in Mexico. "Men and women, often with young children, flee poverty and violence, hoping for a better future in the United States," said the Peter's Pence website. "However, the U.S. border remains closed to them." A \$500,000 allocation will go to 27 projects in 16 dioceses and religious congregations who are seeking to provide housing, food and basic necessities for the migrants.

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song." **Pope John Paul II**

The most important 9 minutes of a child's day. 3 - when they wake. 3 - when they come home from school and 3 - before they go to bed. **These 9 minutes are for love.**

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for May - The Church in Africa - A Seed of Unity - That the Church in Africa through the commitment of its members may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

SCIAF BOXES. Can still be brought to church.

THE FOLLOWING MASS INTENTIONS ARE BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:



Anniversary: Mary & John McCann, Ann Marie Murphy, Tom McGrath, Arthur Collins, John McGuire, William McRoberts, Kathleen McGuirk, James Timmons, Jim Loye, Pat & Mary McNamee, Elizabeth McNamee, Helen McKernon (2nd), James & Mary McEvoy, George & Mary Templeton, Teresa McEvoy and Jean Carey.

Recently Deceased: Anne McQuire (Toronto), Jeannie Rankin (Glasgow), Sue Hazelton, Betty Montgomery, Graeme Kane, Wendy McGowan, Maureen Kearney and Rita Rooney (Kettering)

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

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK. 12th May 2019; Fourth Sunday of Easter: Acts 13:14. 43-52; Psalm 99; Apocalypse 14:17; John 10:27-30

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:



For all the sick in our parishes*

Those who have an anniversary: Mary & John McCann, Ann Marie Murphy, Tom McGrath, Arthur Collins, John McGuire, William McRoberts, Kathleen McGuirk, James Timmons, Jim Loye, Pat & Mary McNamee, Elizabeth McNamee, Helen McKernon (2nd), James & Mary McEvoy, George & Mary Templeton, Teresa McEvoy, Jean Carey, Jean Monan, Betty Simpson, Fergie Dorrian, Tony Hendry and Ellen Hendry

Those who have died recently: Anne McQuire (Toronto), Jeannie Rankin (Glasgow), Sue Hazelton, Betty Montgomery, Graeme Kane, Maureen Kearney, Rita Rooney (Kettering), Iris Gribben, Wendy McGowan, Josie Hickey, Jessie Moultrie, Joseph Ward (Bromsgrove), Mary Devlin (Newarthill), Nessie McGuire, Kathleen Hunter (McGrory), Mrs W. Naimkhot (Thailand) and Violet Cunningham (Torquay).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS. St Mary's: £849.08 (Envelopes £412.97. Cash £436.11). SCIAF Boxes £172.46. St John's: £560.31 (Envelopes £411.31. Cash £149.00). SCIAF £192.16. Building & Renovations £116.97. 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.

SUNDAY TEAS. After 10am Mass today. After 11.30am Mass in St John's.

RCIA. Will meet on Tuesday evening 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. Will meet again on Monday in St John's Church house at 7pm for one hour. We reflect on the readings of 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.

CHANA. The "Drop In", open on a Friday from 12.30pm to 2pm at the Kirkgate is proving very helpful to those on the margins. A Foodbank Outlet is also open the same hours.

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.**

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

FIRST EUCHARIST. Will be celebrated in St Mary's next Saturday at 12 Noon Mass. Please try to be in place by 11.50am, allowing time for parking.

CONGRATULATIONS. To those from St John's who celebrated First Eucharist on Saturday.

CONGRATULATIONS. To Frances Monaghan and Derek Findlay who were married last weekend.

ST JOHN'S COLLECTIONS. 2 teams of volunteers are required to count the Sunday collection after the 11.30am Mass. If you can assist please contact Canon Martin.

ST JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP. Would like to thank all those who attended/supported this event for our young people last weekend. I am sure you will all agree the young people did a marvellous job of decorating the hall and their service and work effort throughout the night was tremendous. Total money raised is in the region of £1000, again, thanks to all for your support.

LORNA—THANK YOU. To everyone who supported me and donated to my Kiltwalk "Mighty Stride". I have raised a fantastic total of £999.05 which will go to North Ayrshire Cancer Care.

CHANA There is a box at the back of both Church porches for donations of shampoo and rubber gloves for those who are homeless or have been allocated a house. There is also a need of socks - small to medium. A number parishes in North Ayrshire, both Protestant and Catholic, collect other toiletries and household cleaning items. **We have now recruited a volunteer hairdresser.**

MARY'S MEALS. The team would like to thank everyone who donated money or items to our ongoing backpack appeal. We recently sent off another 121 filled backpacks making a total of 2443 to date. They will be sent to one of the many schools where children are fed a meal every school day. At present Mary's Meals are feeding over 1,425,000 children in schools in 18 countries of the world and are continually looking to open more schools. Your help is greatly appreciated. A box is available at the back of both churches for donations.

THE EMBRACING CHANGE SPIRITUALITY GROUP. Would like to announce a programme of Holy Hours of Eucharistic Adoration throughout the Easter Season each Sunday at 3pm in the parishes as follows; Today in St. Bride's West Kilbride; 12th May in St. John's Stevenston; 19th May in St John Ogilvie's Bourtreehill. All Welcome. Details of venues for 26th May and 2nd June to follow.

ST MATTHEW'S SCHOOL INSPECTION REPORT. Well done for the positive strengths identified in our Catholic Secondary School. Copy of the report is available at the back of both church porches.

ST MARY'S TRANSPORT. Anyone requiring help with transport to the weekend Masses in St Mary's (with the possibility of sharing a taxi) should leave their name and details at the parish stall.

MISSIO SCOTLAND—SRI LANKA APPEAL. More information about the situation in Sri Lanka is available on our website, www.missioscotland.com. Donations can be sent directly to the Missio office: 4 Laird Street, Coatbridge ML5 3LJ or by going to the website where donations can be made online using PayPal or a debit card. Whatever is raised will be sent to the Church in Sri Lanka through the Papal Nuncio in Colombo.

THE RELICS OF ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX. Are coming to Scotland later this year (30th August– 19th September) and will be visiting our Diocese on 2nd-4th September. The relics will be welcomed to St. Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr, on the evening of 2nd September and will remain there until early evening on the 3rd, they will then be transferred to St. Teresa's Church, Dumfries, where they will remain until the afternoon of the 4th. The relics will then leave the Diocese and head to the Diocese of Dunkeld. More information about how you can visit relics will be announced at a later date.

ST MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE, DUNFERMLINE. Will take place on Sunday 7th June 2019. See poster for more details.

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 final meeting will take place next Sunday (12th) at 3pm in Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Kilmarnock.

PILGRIMAGE IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL. The date of our proposed Diocesan Pilgrimage to Turkey has been postponed from October 2019 to around April/May 2020 as many people were asking for more time to commit. The estimated cost of the Pilgrimage will now be £1,000, based on two people sharing a room. Flights will be direct from Glasgow, accommodation will be on a half-board basis in 4* hotels, and a full spiritual programme will be provided. If you would like to 'express and interest' in taking part in this pilgrimage please contact Fr. David Borland by email (david.borland@gallowaydiocese.org.uk) or call him on 01292 263488. Please do so by August 1st 2019 when a decision will be made as to whether the Pilgrimage will proceed.

PILGRIMAGE TO 2019. Please see poster

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY
June 22nd—Eucharistic Ministers Day in St Peter's

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Neighbouring Parishes:

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