



St John the Evangelist
Stevenson

5th June 2022

Solemnity of Pentecost

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Our Lady Star of the Sea
Saltcoats

Day	St John's	St Mary's	St Peter's
Monday	—————	10am Funeral Mass (L) Jim Kean	10am Mass (L)
Tuesday	10am Funeral Mass (L) Piotr (Peter) Marek	10am Eucharistic Service	10am Mass (L)
Wednesday	10am Mass (L)	—————	10am Funeral Mass (L) Isabel Swanson
Thursday	—————	10am Mass (L)	10am Funeral Mass (L) Robert Smallbridge
Friday	10am Mass (L)	—————	10am Mass (L)
Saturday	—————	4.30pm Vigil Mass (L)	5.30pm Vigil Mass (L)
Sunday	11.30am Mass (L)	10am Mass (L)	10.30am Mass (L)

L = LIVESTREAMED

MONDAY. Gospel Reflection livestreamed at 7pm.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. St Mary's Thursdays 09.30am-10am. St John's Fridays 10.30am-11am.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION. 3.45pm-4.15pm in St Mary's and Saturday 10.30am-11am in St John's

Please remember the following deaths in your prayers

Jim Kean RIP—Reception and Funeral Mass will take place in St Mary's tomorrow (Monday) at 10am.
Followed by cremation in Holmsford Bridge Crematorium.

Piotr (Peter) Marek RIP—Reception and Funeral Mass will take place in St John's on Tuesday at 10am.
Followed by cremation in Holmsford Bridge Crematorium.

+May they rest in peace+

COMMUNICATIONS SPECIAL COLLECTION. Will be taken up this weekend. Envelopes are available for those who wish to Gift aid their donation.

Prayer for the Elderly. I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth! I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me. I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me. Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations. Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended. Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. *Amen.*

THE FOLLOWING MASS INTENTIONS ARE BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

Thanksgiving Mass

Anniversaries: Robert Ross, Patrick Moran Snr, Jean Paton, Arthur Smyth and Deceased members of Stirling and Grant families.

Recently deceased: Jim Kean, Piotr (Peter) Marek, Catherine Colmer, John Morrison, Theresa Gilchrist, Oliver Doran (Edinburgh), Marga Glover (Sr Mary of the Holy Spirit) Carmelite Sister, Dumbarton.

Masses are celebrated also by Fr Gerard McCabe plus Retired Priests, Missio Scotland (Pontifical Mission Societies)

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: Trinity Sunday Year C: Exodus 34:4-6.8-9; Dan 3:52-56; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

For all the sick in our parishes and those with COVID-19*

Special Intention: Thanksgiving Mass

Those who have an anniversary: Robert Ross, Patrick Moran Snr, Jean Paton, Arthur Smyth, Deceased members of Stirling and Grant families, Claire Lawler, Gertrude Wright, James & Mary McEvoy and George & Mary Templeton, Jean Paton, Terence Grant, Elizabeth Grant and Ellen Hamilton.

Those who have died recently: John Morrison, Oliver Doran (Edinburgh), Marga Glover (Sr Mary of the Holy Spirit) Carmelite Sister, Dumbarton, Theresa Gilchrist, Joseph Hughes (Ireland), Mary Hughes, Fr Andrew Coleman (Paisley), Shirley Morgan, Catherine Smith Colmer (Irvine), Lidia Walker, Agada Jeong, Peter Flanagan, Fr Tom O'Brien, Jim Kean, Margaret Fox, Eamonn Hughes (Dublin), Michelle Barnes, William Cassidy, Andrew Gallacher, Kirsty Maher, John Freeman (Hurlford) and John Norman (Edinburgh).

FR. EDDIE MCGHEE. Will celebrate the 10am Mass on Sunday 26th June in St Mary's in his Golden Jubilee Year. A reception will be available in the church hall after Mass. Donations towards a Presentation can be made before this date.

THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES. Takes place in Rome from 26th—29th June with the theme "Family love—a Vocation and Pathway to Holiness." We are asked to keep these intentions for family life in our prayers during this time.

DIOCESE OF GALLOWAY PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN. Will take place next Sunday (12th) as there is no Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage this year. Arrival for personal prayer and preparation for Mass at 3pm with Mass with Anointing of the Sick at 4pm and Marian Procession at 6pm and departing at 6.30pm. There will be a coach available for anyone wishing transport, please contact the parish office. The cost for transport is £6 per person, please hand in your money to the parish office.

UKRANIAN CRISIS. We are now able to set up a donation point for St John's, this will take place this coming Wednesday from 9am—12 Noon. We are looking for donations of clothes for adults and children, toiletries and nappies. Thank you all once again for your support.

ST JOHN'S COFFEE AND TEAS VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED. After Sunday Mass.

ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE. On Sunday 14th August. If you can help in anyway by making donations, manning a stall, helping with teas and coffees, selling raffle tickets etc please get in touch with Lorna Walker 07833347035, Brenda Robertson 07812758415 or Michael Lafferty 07813650411

ST. MARY'S WEEKLY ENVELOPES. New sets of weekly offering envelopes are still available.

CHANA. The Lunch Club meets in the Kirkgate every Friday from 12.30pm—2pm. We could do with some new helpers. Why not drop in one day and see what happens.

ST MARY'S SVDP. Please call 07379 400 568. **ST JOHN'S SVDP.** Please call 07498 501 326.

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Platinum Jubilee Prayer

Almighty God, we pray, that your servant Elizabeth, our Queen, who, by your providence has received the governance of this realm, may continue to grow in every virtue, that, imbued with your heavenly grace, she may be preserved from all that is harmful and evil and, being blessed with your favour may, come at last into your presence, through Christ who is the way, the truth and the life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. “Surely,” they said, “all these men speaking are Galileans?”

How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome—Jews and proselytes alike—Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.”

The Word of the Lord

PSALM 103

R/ Send Forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth

1. Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, how many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches **R/**
2. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R/**
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **R/**

Second Reading: I Corinthians 12:3-7. 12-13

No one can say, “Jesus is Lord” unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel: John 20:19-23

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, “Peace be with you,” and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again. “Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.” After saying this he breathed on them and said: “Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those sins you retain, they are retained.”



PROMPTS FOR FAITH-SHARING

What is one area of your life that can benefit from intentional renewal?

How do you work to bring Christ’s message to those who “speak a different language” than you, perhaps in politics or career? How do you engage those who are different from you?

Knowing that the first act of the Holy Spirit when sent to the apostles is the work of communication, how can you renew the way you speak with family, friends and colleagues?

Have you ever gone to Mass in another country and heard the words you know so well spoken in a different language? What was this experience like?

The Holy Spirit draws us into the mystery of the living God and saves us from the threat of a Church which is gnostic and self-referential, closed in on herself; he impels us to open the doors and go forth to proclaim and bear witness to the good news of the Gospel, to communicate the joy of faith, the encounter with Christ. The Holy Spirit is the soul of mission. Pope Francis

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions June 2022 for Families. We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD. Are you thinking about being a Priest in 2022? The Diocese of Galloway is now inviting enquiries from those considering applying for seminary. For more information please contact Fr. Martin Chambers at: martin.chambers@gallowaydiocese.org.uk

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