



St John the Evangelist  
Stevenson

# 3rd July 2022

## Fourteenth Sunday of Year C

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Our Lady Star of the Sea  
Saltcoats

Day	St John's	St Mary's	St Peter's
Monday	—————	—————	10am Mass (L)
Tuesday	—————	10am Mass (L)	10am Mass (L)
Wednesday	10am Mass (L)	—————	10am Mass (L)
Thursday	—————	10am Mass (L)	10am Mass (L)
Friday	10am Eucharistic Service	11am Funeral Mass (L) <b>Michael Taylor</b>	10am Mass (L)
Saturday	1.30pm Wedding Service (L)	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 Thursday 9.30am-10am. St John's Friday 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*

**Michael Taylor RIP**—Prayers of Reception and Funeral Mass will take place on Friday 8th at 11am in St Mary's.

Followed by Cremation in Holmsford Bridge Crematorium.

**Gilbert Walker Black (Gibby) RIP** - Prayers of Reception and Funeral Mass will take place on Monday 11th at 10am in

St Mary's. Followed by burial in Ardrossan Cemetery

**Agnes McCaffery RIP**—Prayers of Reception and Funeral Mass will take place on Wednesday 13th in St Mary's

Followed by Cremation in Holmsford Bridge Crematorium.

*+May they rest in peace+*

**PETER'S PENCE SPECIAL COLLECTION.** Will be taken up this weekend.

**THE FOLLOWING MASS INTENTIONS ARE BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:**

**Special Intentions:** Birthday wishes and Sick

**Anniversaries:** Ali Burnett, Betty McConnell, Dr Jimmy Gallagher and Frances Gibb

**Recently deceased:** Richard Garvey, Michael Taylor, Marie Burns, Elsie Schoolar, Agnes McCaffery, Gilbert Walker Black (Gibby) and Michael Fisher

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

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:** Fifteenth Sunday of Year C— Deuteronomy 30:10-14; Psalm 68; Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:**

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

**Special Intentions:** Birthday wishes and Sick

**Those who have an anniversary:** Frances Gibb, Ali Burnett, Betty McConnell, Dr Jimmy Gallagher, Janet Collins, Jim Taylor, Margaret Taylor, James Moffat, Denis Ramsay Snr and Martin Bell.

**Those who have died recently:** Richard Garvey, Marie Burns, Elsie Schoolar, Agnes McCaffery, Ada Seymour, Gilbert Walker Black (Gibby), Michael Fisher, Liz Polland, Michael (Mick) Joyce (Ireland), Michael Taylor and William Gowrie.

**THANK YOU.** To all at St Mary's who helped with the visit of Fr Eddie last weekend—those who assisted in the church and those who assisted in the hall.

**GOOD WISHES.** Go to Khaya Thomson and Mark Hyslop who are to be married in St John's next Saturday.

**CONGRATULATIONS.** To Canon Archie Brown (Troon) who celebrates his Golden Jubilee as a priest (50yrs) next Friday.

**300 CLUB.** Congratulations to the winners of the June draw. No 136 J. Taggart £30 and No 8 C. McGuire £20.

**R.C.I.A.** Anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or joining the Church should contact the parish office or Canon Martin.

**FOODBANK COLLECTION AT TESCO.** A special thanks to the Caritas students from St Matthew's who are an inspiration. More on this story next week.

**SCIAF—ACT AGAINST HUNGER.** The Horn of Africa is facing its worst ever hunger crisis. The United Nations has warned the 15 million people will struggle to get through the coming months. £40 could provide a family with emergency food for nine weeks. SCIAF is working to end hunger and stop suffering. Please pray and donate now at [sciaf.org.uk/hunger](http://sciaf.org.uk/hunger) or text SCIAF to 70460 to donate £5 to this appeal.

**TRANSPORT FOR ST MARY'S.** St Mary's wish to consider providing a taxi service to the Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday Mass. If this would be helpful to you please put your name and details on the list in the church porch. You will be contacted thereafter with more information.

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

**ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE—SUNDAY 14TH AUGUST.** Lucky boxes 50p each to be drawn at the Fete will be on sale from this Sunday in St John's Church Porch. Please take some home and sell to friends and family. Items Required for the Fete, We would be very grateful for the following: *Raffle prizes, Tombola Prizes, Chocolate for Chocolate Tombola, Bottles for the Bottle Stall and home baking.* 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. **Please note this year we will not have Bric a Brac, Books or toys therefore we do not require any of these items. We also do not take clothes, DVDs, or videos.**

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

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*IN EVERY AGE* In the mission of the seventy-two disciples we see a reflection of the Christian community's missionary experience in every age: the risen and living Lord sends not only the Twelve, but the entire Church; he sends each of the baptised to announce the Gospel to all peoples. Pope Francis

**POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY 2022 - For the elderly - We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.**

**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](http://www.gallowaydiocese.org.uk/privacy-policy-and-gdpr)



**First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14**

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breasts, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spite the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand. **The Word of the Lord**

**PSALM: 65**

**R/ Cry out with joy to God all the earth.**

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. I render him glorious praise. Say to God: "How tremendous your deeds! **R/**
2. "Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!" Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. **R/**
3. He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. **R/**
4. Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul. Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me. **R/**

**Second Reading: Galatians 6:14-18**

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God. I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers, Amen. **The Word of the Lord**

**Gospel: Luke 9:51-62**

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, 'Peace to this house!' And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, 'The kingdom of God is very near you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, 'We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feed, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near.' I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town." The seventy-two came back rejoicing. "Lord", they said "even the devils submit to us when we use your name." he said to them, "I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven."



**PROMPTS FOR FAITH SHARING**

*Who are your partners in your daily work or career? Who are your partners in your faith?*

*Jesus tells his disciples, "Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road." How does this direction make you feel? Could you pick up and go out into the world without any luggage? This would make most people uncomfortable. Why do you think Jesus asks it?*

*In our reading from Isaiah, we see a vivid and tender image of the Lord. What imagery do you use to understand the Lord's care for you? How does the image of a nursing mother feel. Do you feel that the Lord does indeed care for you this way, or is this explicitly maternal image somewhat new?*

*What do you think it means to shake off the dust of a town that doesn't receive you?*

**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](mailto:martin.chambers@gallowaydiocese.org.uk)*

**The Bible in a Year Podcast.** *This podcast can be found on YouTube or on your podcast app.*

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In an emergency situation ask the nurse on duty for the priest-on-call to be paged.

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