



St John the Evangelist  
Stevynston

# 4th June 2023

## Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity Year A

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 and Sr Marie Monique & Sr Ursula  
 Canon Matt McManus (Retired)



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 Funeral Mass <b>Roddy Boyle</b>	_____	10am Mass (L)
Thursday	_____	10am Mass (L)	10am Mass (L) 1pm Funeral Mass (L) <b>Ann McDonald</b>
Friday	10am Mass (L)	_____	10am Funeral Mass (L) <b>Robert Reid</b>
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**

**GOSPEL REFLECTION.** Livestreamed Monday at 7pm

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.** 3.45pm-4.15pm in St Mary's and Saturday 10.30am-11am in St John's.  
**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.** St Mary's Tuesday 9.30am. St John's Friday 10.30am-11am.

*Please remember the following death in your prayers*

**Roddy Boyle RIP**

Prayers of Reception and Funeral Mass will take place on Wednesday at 10am in St John's  
 Followed by burial in Hawkhill Cemetery  
 +*May he rest in peace*+

**DAY FOR LIFE.** A special collection for pro-life causes will take place at Masses this weekend.

**SYNOD NEWS.** "We recall that the purpose of the Synod is not to produce documents, but to plant dreams, draw forth prophecies and visions, allow hope to flourish, inspire trust, bind up wounds, weave together relationships, awaken a dawn of hope, learn from one another and create a bright resourcefulness that will enlighten minds, warm hearts, give strength to our hands." *At the Launch of the Synod Process*

**LIVESTREAMING.** We are currently experiencing some technical issues with the streaming in St John's.

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

**Special Intention:** Sick

**Anniversaries:** Jean Paton, Ellen Hamilton, Theresa McCann, Jim Feeney, Michael Taylor, Elizabeth Grant and Robert Ross.

**Recently deceased:** David Dearing, Daniel McAuliffe, Patrick O'Connor (Jersey), Ian Howie, Sarah Barbour, Roddy Boyle, Josephine (Jo) Angus (Bearsden) and Drew McParland (Kirkintilloch).

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

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—Solemnity Year A:** Deuteronomy 8:2-3.14-16; Psalm 147; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

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

**For all the sick in our parishes**



**Those who have an anniversary:** Jean Paton, Theresa McCann, Jim Feeney, Michael Taylor, Elizabeth Grant, Robert Ross, Alex Pllu, Catherine Buchan, Andrew Murchie, John Hugh Monaghan, Terence Grant, Ellen Hamilton and William and Isabella Stuart.

**Those who have died recently:** David Dearing, Daniel McAuliffe, Patrick O'Connor (Jersey), Ian Howie, Sarah Barbour, Josephine (Jo) Angus (Bearsden), Drew McParland (Kirkintilloch), Sean McMillan, James McGoldrick (Glasgow), Roddy Boyle and Michael Collins (Bolton).

**CONGRATULATIONS.** To Tommy and Ellen Dunwoodie on their Golden Wedding Anniversary next Friday.

**ST MARY'S AND ST JOHN'S CHURCH COLLECTION AND STANDING ORDER INCOME FOR MARCH AND APRIL 2023.** St John's Church Collections £1,662.33; Standing Orders £957.00 for March. Church Collections £2,414.38; Standing Orders £987.00 for April. St Mary's Church Collections £1,969.41; Standing Orders £2,292.00 for March. Church Collections £2,729.29; Standing Orders: £2127.00 for April. Thank you.

**AFTERNOON TEA.** Has been arranged for Sunday 25th June between 2pm-4pm in St Mary's Church Hall to thank and say farewell to Sr Marie Monique.

**300 CLUB.** Congratulations to the winners of the May draw. No 20 K. Gough £30 and No 218 A. Cairns £20.

**GALLOWAY DIOCESE NEWS.** Copies of The Pentecost Edition are available at the back of both Churches.

**FAIR PAY FOR SOCIAL CARE CAMPAIGN.** Following a conference with Archbishop Nolan and the former Moderator Rev. Greenshields and their joint statement, clergy/parishioners are invited to participate in this campaign: Fair Pay for Social Care Campaign ([justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk](http://justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk)).

**ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO SCALAN.** Takes place on Sunday 2nd July with Mass outdoors at the Scalán beginning promptly at 4pm. Scalán can be found a mile beyond Chapeltown of Glenlivet. An approximate postcode is AB37 9JS. Coaches need to stop half a mile beyond Chapeltown. Cars and minibuses can park very near and are usually willing to take anyone needing a lift.

**ST. MARY'S WEEKLY ENVELOPES.** There are still a few sets of weekly offering envelopes in the Sacristy. If you are a tax payer and wish to Gift Aid your collection please consider doing so-it makes such a difference. Please contact the parish office.

**ST JOHN'S ANNUAL SUMMER FETE.** St John's will be holding their Annual Summer Fete in the Church hall. We will also be celebrating the 60th anniversary of St John's so are looking for ideas to help with the celebrations. Perhaps different types of stalls or fundraising events that could help mark our 60th Anniversary. If you would like to help in anyway or have any ideas please speak to any of St John's Church Hall Committee or phone Brenda 07812758415 or Lorna 07833347035

**MINISTRY.** Opportunity to take part in ministries in the Church and in the parish. For more information please complete the form available and return it as soon as possible.

**PARISH HALLS.** To book any of our halls please call the Parish Office on 463461 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.

**GALLOWAY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023.** 3rd July 2023, 7 nights flying from Glasgow Prestwick Airport for £949/person. For bookings and more information please see posters on church noticeboards or contact Joe Walsh Tours 0808 1890468 or email [info@joewalshstours.co.uk](mailto:info@joewalshstours.co.uk).

**SVDP.** Please call 07379 400 568 for St Mary's. Please call 07498 501 326 for St John's.

**FOODBANK STEVENSTON.** 07437 521 930.

**Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for June 2023 - For the abolition of torture.** "We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families."

**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: Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9**

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there. He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, "Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness," And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. "If I have indeed won your favour, Lord," he said, "let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage. **The Word of the Lord**

**PSALM: Dan 3:52-56**

**R/ To you glory and praise for evermore**

1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. To you glory and praise for evermore. Blest your glorious name. To you glory and praise for evermore. **R/**
2. You are blest in the temple of your glory. To you glory and praise for evermore. **R/**
3. You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. To you glory and praise for evermore. **R/**
4. You are blest who gaze into the depths. To you glory and praise for evermore. **R/**
5. You are blest in the firmament of heaven. To you glory and praise for evermore. **R/**

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **The Word of the Lord**

**Gospel: 3:16-18**

Jesus said to Nicodemus, "God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son."



**PROMPTS FOR FAITH-SHARING**

*Is there a person of the Trinity you think of most often when you pray? While the unity of the Trinity means that of course God in God's fullness hears your prayers, what might it be like to try praying to one of the other persons more explicitly?*

*Where might God be inviting you to keep an eye out for the Spirit's subtle movements?*

*Which relationships in your life reveal God's love to you? In which relationships is it challenging to see God at work?*

*This mystery of the Trinity was revealed to us by Jesus himself. He showed us the face of God as merciful Father; he presented Himself, true man, as the Son of God and Word of the Father, the Saviour who gives his life for us; and he spoke of the Holy Spirit who proceeds from the Father and the Son, the Spirit of Truth, the Paraclete Spirit meaning Consoler and Advocate. And when Jesus appeared to the Apostles after the Resurrection, Jesus invited them to evangelise "all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" **Pope Francis***

**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.

**COST OF LIVING CRISIS.** Funds currently available to assist St Mary's parishioners who need help to cope with rising energy and food costs. Need assistance, please phone 07379 400 568. All contacts will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

**CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY - IRVINE AND THREE TOWNS DEBT CENTRE.** Are a Christian Organisation that helps people struggling with personal debt issues to begin a journey out of debt. This service is free and will see clients face to face at the Connexions centre, Irvine or at any office location. Please call our freephone number which is 0800 328 0006

**The Bible and Catechism in a Year Podcast with Fr Mike Schmitz.** This podcast can be found on YouTube or on your podcast app.

**\*The new terms of the Data Protection Regulation prevent us from publishing the names of the sick either in electronic form or in paper form in the bulletin.**

**Neighbouring Parishes:**

Father Duncan McVicar, St Peter's, Ardrossan 464063. Father Gerard Magee, St Winin's, Kilwinning 552276.

Going into Hospital? Ask Canon Poland for the Anointing of the Sick before you are admitted.

**HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY:** The hospital chaplains of Crosshouse and Ayr Hospitals are pleased to visit patients on request. For general visiting in Crosshouse Hospital please contact Fr Stephen McGrattan at [stephenmcgrattan@gallowaydiocese.org.uk](mailto:stephenmcgrattan@gallowaydiocese.org.uk) or on 01563 521832. For general visiting in Ayr Hospital please contact Fr Benjamin Mkeri at [benjamin.mkeri@gallowaydiocese.org.uk](mailto:benjamin.mkeri@gallowaydiocese.org.uk) or on 01655 882145. For the urgent or emergency assistance of a chaplain please ask the hospital staff to page the priest on call.

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