



ST. PETER IN CHAINS • ARDROSSAN
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27th Sunday of Ordinary Time [A]

4th October 2020

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St. Peter in Chains: Saturday
 between 4.45pm-5.15pm.

St. Bride's: Friday
 between 11am-12noon
 And by request.

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 and St. Bride's,
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 WITH YOU. THANKS!**

THE LORD'S DAY AT HOME

If you are housebound or self-isolating at this time, please use these prayers to unite yourself with the worship of the Universal Church, and your own Parish, this Sunday. If alone, read or say these prayers quietly to yourself. If with another, or in a family, someone should read the Gospel, and others respond. It might be suitable to find a special, quiet place at home for your Sunday prayers.

Gospel

Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

Reflection

Another parable where Jesus corners those opposed to him, and makes them pronounce the meaning of the story, even though it is directed against them! In this parable Jesus speaks of his own death: he is the landowner's son, who is killed "outside the vineyard" – remember how he is taken "outside the city wall" of Jerusalem in order to be crucified. The key message for us is that we too are "tenants" – the Kingdom of God is not ours, only entrusted to us to produce fruit for God. What sorts of fruit can we produce? Perhaps have a think about the traditional 12 fruits of the Holy Spirit: charity, generosity, joy, gentleness, peace, faithfulness, patience, modesty, kindness, self-control, goodness and chastity. One for each month of the year!

Prayer for Spiritual Communion



My Jesus, I believe that you are present
 in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.



I love you above all things and I passionately desire
 to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
 come spiritually into my soul

so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

Twenty Seventh Week of Ordinary Time [A] 2020

September/ October 2020	St Peter-in-Chains Ardrossan <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i>	St. Bride's West Kilbride <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i>	St John's Stevenston <i>Canon Martin Poland</i>	St Mary's Saltcoats <i>Canon Martin Poland</i>	St Peter's Parish Centre <i>Fiona Brown</i>	
Saturday 3 rd October	Our Lady's Day Mass at 10am – Live Streamed <i>Offered for all our children celebrating their First Eucharist in September and October</i> 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time Vigil Mass at 5.30pm - Public <i>Offered for John Connor (A)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm		
Sunday 4 th October	27th Sunday of the Year Mass at 10.30am - Public <i>Offered for our Parishes</i>	Mass At 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am	Mass at 10am		
Monday 5 th October	27th Week of the Year Mass at 10am – Public <i>Offered for John Mullen (RD)</i>					
Tuesday 6 th October	27th Week of the Year Mass at 10am - Live Streamed <i>Offered for James Hughes (SI) Offered for Eileen McNulty (SI)</i>			Mass at 10am		
Wednesday 7 th October	Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary <i>[Blessing of Rosaries]</i> Mass at 10am – Public <i>Offered for Sister Ishbel MacPherson SND (SI) 70 years Jubilee</i>		Mass at 10am			
Thursday 8 th October	27th Week of the Year Mass at 10am - Live Streamed <i>Offered for James McDonald (RD) Offered for Francis Stalker (RD)</i>			Mass at 10am		
Friday 9 th October	27th Week of the Year Special Mass in Time of Pandemic Mass at 10am – Public <i>Offered for Theresa Weideger (SI)</i>	Mass At 12.00pm	Mass at 10am			
Saturday 10 th October	Our Lady's Day Mass at 10am – Live Streamed <i>Offered for all those who prayed for Jean Conlan while she was in hospital (SI)</i> 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time Vigil Mass at 5.30pm - Public <i>Offered for Cathie Sweeney (A)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm		
Sallywags Aftercare <i>[During Term Time]</i> Monday - Friday 3pm-6pm		Sallywags Aftercare <i>[during school holidays]</i> Monday - Friday 8am - 6pm		St Peter's Centre Bookings Fiona Brown New Number! 07907 389703		

A Simple Explanation of the Mass - Part XVIII

What happens in us when we receive Holy Communion? 3) Communion renews, strengthens and deepens our incorporation into the Church, already achieved by Baptism. (CCC #1396) During his last discourse, Jesus prayed to his Father: "May they all be one" (Jn 17:20) and he urged his disciples "to love one another as I have loved you" (Jn 13:34). Through our participation in the Eucharist, we become bound ever more closely with the Church. As an ancient axiom goes: "The Church makes the Eucharist and the Eucharist makes the Church."

REMINDER... Sunday obligation to attend Holy Mass remains suspended for the time being. Some parishioners can only attend at the weekend. To make Holy Mass available to everyone we would be grateful if you are able to attend on a weekday please do so, leaving seats for those parishioners working during the week. *Thank you for your kindness.*

To book for Mass in St. Peter's please call the Parish Office: **01294 464063 BETWEEN 9am – 11am. MONDAY TO FRIDAY**

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

John Clarke, Anthony Brennan, Cathie Currie, Katie Millar

✦ **Those who have died recently:** *Francis Stalker, John Mullen, James McDonald*

✦ **Those who died at this time of Year:**

Bill Andrew 2017, Gerry McGinn 2008, Robert Paterson 2004, Hugh O'Hare 2004, Charlie Scullion 2010, Kirsty Bell 2012, Elizabeth McKay 2005, Terence O'Neill 2002, Karen Marie Boulcott 2007, Greta Brennan 2017, William Cambridge 1990, John Goan 2012, James Martin 1997, Russ Otto 2012, Eunice Ward 2001, Ann Breen 2017, Alie Khan 1970, Peter Martean 1969, Catherine McHugh 1977, Joe Brady senior 1963, Vincenzo Carrino 1980, Alex Jamieson 2006, Bill Henderson, Mary Colvin 2000, Jane Coulter 1998, Dan Donnelly 1941.

St. Peter's Notices

- ▶ **IN AND AROUND THE CHURCH** We had a serious problem with the ceiling lights in the back Sacristy, this has now been resolved and a new light fitting, emergency light and fan has been fitted.
- ▶ **MASS LIVE-STREAMING** You can access this every day by going on the Parish Websites. saintpeterinchains.co.uk - Click SERVICES on the red menu bar. Then MASS TIMES on the menu. Then scroll down to "Click here to view Mass". Website: saintpeterinchains.net - Go to top right-hand corner of the screen. Click "Live Streaming at Mass Times" Live-streaming begins five minutes before the start of Mass.
- ▶ **VOTIVE LAMPS FOR OUR LADY'S MOSAIC** Bill Andrew has now installed the Votive Lamps at Our Lady's Mosaic. The lamps will be lit for the first time on Wednesday 7th October which is the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. *Thank you for your generosity.*
- ▶ **CHURCH PIETY STALL** Our stall is now open if you should require to purchase anything i.e. Mass Cards, Religious Items etc. It is important that we only admit **ONE** person at a time and a face covering must be worn. Please do not touch display items, ask Betty and she will show you them. *Thank you!*

ST. PETER'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

The Offertory Collection 27th September 2020: £569.50
Second Collection (Retired Priests) £753.50

ST. BRIDE'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

The Offertory Collection 27th September 2020: £123.00
Retired Priests Fund: £181.00

STANDING ORDERS - PLEASE THINK ABOUT IT

The Parishes have taken quite a "knock" through the Lockdown when public Mass was not available for sixteen weeks. This has had a huge impact on our Parishes Finances. Please consider taking out a Standing Order? It would be of great benefit to our Parishes. Forms are available from the Parishes Office: ardrossan@gallowaydiocese.org.uk or call 01294 464063. Also, Paul McNulty will be happy to provide a form for St. Bride's. *Many Thanks for all your support and generosity!*

GALLOWAY VOCATIONS

Parishioners are encouraged to 'Like' the new Facebook page called GALLOWAY VOCATIONS which encourages our Diocesan family to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious Life.

St. Bride's Notices

- ▶ **OUR NEW WEBSITE** Please have a look at our new website. www.stbrideschurch.co.uk We would be delighted to have your comments or any suggestions to: joe.mcaleavy1804@yahoo.com
- ▶ **LIVE STREAMING OF MASS** We are delighted to announce live streaming of daily Mass at 10 and Sunday Mass at 10.30 from St. Peter's is available under Services on our website at www.stbrideschurch.co.uk
- ▶ **100 CLUB WINNER** The winner of our first draw this season is Kathleen Toal. Well done. Remember, if you're not in it, you can't win it. Still only £12 for the year with half of your contribution going to our Parish. *Thank you.*
- ▶ **IN AND AROUND THE CHURCH** The left loudspeaker in the Church has been adjusted to sit properly in its bracket; the CD player has now been connected to the Church sound system; the Sanctuary Crucifix has been removed and the brass and woodwork will be cleaned and restored. On the reverse side of the Crucifix there is an inscription: "The Thompson Family, Christmas 1947" *Many thanks for all the hard work.*

Hiding your Nan from the Police at the family gathering



JUST FOR A LAUGH...

Some Catholic one-liners:

- ❖ The phrase that is guaranteed to wake up any congregation: "And in conclusion."
- ❖ Some minds are like concrete – thoroughly mixed up and permanently set.
- ❖ Be ye fishers of men. You catch 'em - He'll clean 'em.

ANNUAL SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT TO PARISHES

As we celebrated last week the Feast of the Guardian Angels, the Annual Safeguarding Statement to Parishes is published. The Statement is available on our Parish websites. Sincere thanks to our Parish Safe-guarding Co-ordinators.

TELEVISED MASS FROM TROON

BBC Scotland have recorded a Mass from Our Lady of the Assumption and St Meddan's Troon. The Mass will be broadcast on Sunday 4th October at 12.00 noon as part of BBC Scotland's "The Service."

Mustard Seeds

✠ Our Lady of the Rosary

October is the month to pray the rosary. Pope St. Pius V established this feast in 1573. The purpose was to thank God for the victory of Christians over the Turks at Lepanto—a victory attributed to the praying of the rosary. Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716. The development of the rosary has a long history. First, a practice developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. Soon a mystery of Jesus' life was attached to each Hail Mary. In the 16th century the rosary was developed to its present form—with the 15 mysteries (joyful, sorrowful and glorious). In 2002, Blessed Pope John Paul II added the Mysteries of Light to this devotion. The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pius XII called it a compendium of the gospel. The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death and resurrection. The "Our Fathers" remind us that Jesus' Father is the initiator of salvation. The "Hail Marys" remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The "Glory Be's" remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Blessed Trinity. The rosary appeals to many. It is simple. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever. Blessed Pope John Paul once wrote: "The rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christ-centred prayer. It has all the depth of the gospel message in its entirety. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial Magnificat for the work of the redemptive Incarnation which began in her virginal womb.... It can be said that the rosary is, in some sense, a prayer-commentary on the final chapter of the Vatican II Constitution Lumen Gentium, a chapter that discusses the wondrous presence of the Mother of God in the mystery of Christ and the Church".

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