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31st Sunday of the Year [B]

31st October 2021

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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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Mustard Seeds

† Tall Prayer Answer

A girl went to a party, but she ended up staying longer than planned and had to walk home alone. She wasn't afraid because it was a small town and she lived only a few streets away. As she walked along under the tall elm trees, she asked God to keep her safe from harm and danger. When she reached the road, which was a shortcut to her house, she decided to take it. However, halfway down the road she noticed a man standing at the end as though he were waiting for her. She became uneasy and began to pray, asking for God's protection. A comforting feeling of quietness and security wrapped around her, and she felt as though someone was walking with her. When she reached the end of the road, she walked right past the man and arrived home safely. The following day, she read in the newspaper that a young woman had been attacked in the same road just twenty minutes after she had been there. Feeling overwhelmed by this tragedy and the fact that it could have been her, she began to cry. Thanking the Lord for her safety and to help this young woman, she decided to go to the police station. She felt she could recognise the man, so she told them her story. The police asked her if she would be willing to look at a line-up to see if she could identify him. She agreed and immediately pointed out the man she had seen in the road the night before. When the man was told he had been identified, he immediately broke down and confessed. The officer thanked her for her bravery and asked if there was anything they could do for her. She asked if they would ask the man one question. She was curious as to why he had not attacked her. When the policeman asked him, he answered, "Because she wasn't alone. She had a tall man walking right beside her."

You are safe not because of the absence of danger, but because of the presence of God.



Thirty-First Sunday of the Year [B] 2021				
Oct/ Nov 2021	St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk Father Duncan McVicar	Fr. Duncan McVicar assisted by Fr. Gerry Hamill (Retired)	McVicar assisted by Fr. Gerry Hamill McVicar Canon Martin Poland assisted by Fr. Benjamin Mke	
	Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed	St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 30 th October	31st Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Hannah Burns (SI), Mary V. McAtee (A)			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
Sunday 31st October	31st Sunday of the Year Mass at 10.30am Offered for our parishes	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30 (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 1 st November	Solemnity of All Saints Mass at 10am Offered for the Ward Family (T), Alfie Agostini (SI)	Mass at 10am	Funeral Mass (L) at 10am for Constance O'Hare	Mass at 10am
Tuesday 2 nd November	All Souls Mass at 10am Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed	Adoration 9.30 Mass at 10am	Mass at 6pm Mass at 10am & 7pm (L) Reception of Rosemary Duncan at 6pm	Mass at 10am (L) Mass at 7pm
Wednesday 3 rd November	Memorial of St. Martin de Porres, religious Mass at 10am Offered for Margaret McCabe (T), Ian Hastings (RD)		Funeral Mass (L) at 10am for Rosemary Duncan	
Thursday 4 th November	Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo, bishop Mass at 10am Offered for Jenny Halford (SI), Tony Di Rizze (RD), Seamus Boyle (RD)			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 5 th November	Mass at 10am Offered for Mary Timmons (A), Thomas Lundie (RD) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 10.30 – 11am	Adoration 11.30 Mass at 12 noon	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 6 th November	32 nd Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Rosemary Duncan (RD)			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

What is a Synodal Church?

Pope Francis has described it this way: "A synodal church is a listening church, aware that listening is more than hearing. It is a reciprocal listening in which each one has something to learn". The first phase of the current synod is a diocesan phase, where all the faithful will be invited to speak out boldly about their hopes for the Church, and to listen without prejudice to people in their communities whose opinions are different to their own. The responses will be compiled and will shape a diocesan report, which will be considered by the Bishops of Scotland along with reports from every other diocese to form a national report. Perhaps more importantly, the process will open up new ways of walking together under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and will help local parishes to become synodal—in other words, communities that journey together prayerfully—in their normal activities.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Jim Boyle, Bill Holden, Pat Breen, Harry Sammons, Margaret Swiercz.

+ Those who have died recently:

Rosemary Duncan, Ian Hastings, Tony Di Rizze, Thomas Lundie, Seamus Boyle, Alistair Dick.

+ Those who died at this time of Year:

The Christians martyred in the Cathedral of our Lady of Deliverance in Baghdad 2010, Sadie Clegg 2011, John Finnigan 2020, John Martin 1979, Daniel Brown 1988, Peter Hanratty 2013, Josephine Lundie 2007, baby Lily Heron 2016, Thomas Kilbane 1983, Hugh McKay 1982, Eileen Taylor 2005, May Cusick 2009, Teresa Kelly 1978, Isobel Morrison 2019, Sarah Sammons 1970, Elizabeth Anne Tait 2004, Mary Timmons 2011, Sanny Ballantyne 1991, John Higgins 2020, Rose McCann 2017, Ian McNamara 1979, Paddy Crozier, Anna Lizanec 2008, Margaret Martin 1962, Father James McCarroll 1952, Catherine McMullan 1963, Father Paul O'Brien 1999, Robert Reid 2006, John Whyte 1975, James McCabe, Jean Murray 2006, Julie Holland Newmann, Michael Reilly 1946, Steven Walker 1999.

St. Bride's & Peter's Notices

- ► FUNERAL SERVICE FOR ALISTAIR DICK Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Alistair Dick from St Bride's, who died on 26th October, aged 66 years. His Funeral Service will be at the Clyde Coast Crematorium on Thursday, 4th November at 12 noon. May he rest in peace and rise in glory!
- ▶ **WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS** We are delighted to announce the Marriage of Niall Breen and Siobhan McGrath at St Bride's on Friday, 5th November at 1pm. We wish them a "love for a lifetime".
- ► SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM We welcome to the Family of the Church Savanna Philpott who will be baptised on Saturday, 6th November at 11am at St. Peter's. Congratulations to her parents and Godparents.
- ► CHILDRENS LITURGY Childrens Liturgy has now restarted at our Sunday Mass. Please spread the word to our young families so that they can come along. We are also looking for some volunteers who will support our present excellent Team. "Whoever has the youth has the future!"
- ► SYCAMORE MEETINGS IN OUR PARISHES The next Meeting will be on Monday, 1st November at 7.30pm at St Bride's. St Peter's will host its first Meeting on Thursday, 4th November at 7pm at St Peter's Centre. Please come along and build up our Parish Communities with your support and presence.
- ▶ CENACLE OF DIVINE MERCY GROUP Will meet every Thursday after Mass in St. Peter's. Divine Mercy Chaplet for the sick and dying. With bible reading (Audio), St. Faustina Diary (Lessons) and quiet recollection. Ending with Rosary of Thanksgiving. Everyone welcome.
- ► ST. PETER'S CHURCH PIETY STALL If you should require purchasing anything i.e., Christmas Cards, Mass Cards, Religious Items etc. It is important that a face covering must be worn. *Thank you*.
- ► ST PETER'S CAFE ON FRIDAYS The Friday Cafe team invite you to join them in the snug cafe for refreshments after the Benediction on Fridays. Please come along if you can.
- ▶ ST PETER'S CHOIR David Priest has taken an initiative to restart our choir after all the lockdown restrictions. He is looking for new members and musicians. If you like to sing or play an instrument contact the parish office come along and praise the Lord!

World Mission Sunday TODAY

World Mission Sunday Collection is this Sunday. Pope Francis is inviting parishes around the world to join in the life-changing, life-giving and life-saving efforts of his missions. Priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists in the Pope's missions offer education in desolate areas, share the Gospel in some of the most remote areas of the world, provide crucial medical care to those who could otherwise not afford it and so much more. Pope Francis has chosen as the theme for this year's celebration: "We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20). In his message to all Catholics about this year's World Mission Sunday, said, "To be on mission is to be willing to think as Christ does, to believe with Him that those around us are also my brothers and sisters." Please help us share this call to prayer and financial help for the Church's missionary work this World Mission Sunday. Your voice—your "speaking"—can make a world of difference for those serving in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity in today's Second Collection.

November List Envelopes

When our loved ones die, we naturally want to honour them with flowers, a funeral Mass, and kind words. A beautiful present we can give them is to pray that they might be released from Purgatory. This is why, we write down the names of our family members and friends who are deceased so that we can pray for them. In this way, we remember and pray for the repose of the souls of our loved ones. Remembering all of these men and women who have gone before us, "marked with the sign of faith," helps us better understand and appreciate our faith in Christ who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all. Please hand in the November envelopes to the Parish Office or place them in the Mass Collection.

Prayer for the Month of November God our Father,

God our Father,
Your power brings us to birth,
Your providence guides our lives,
and by Your command we return to dust.

Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone.

In company with Christ, Who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away.
Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

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Just for a Laugh... One day God called Jesus and his helpers into a meeting. God said that he wanted them to create a database on heaven's super computer. He said He wanted them to list everyone who had ever been born and all the good and bad things that each had done since the beginning of time. They all said they could do that and so they sat at their keyboards for hours, then days and weeks. Finally they were almost done when there was a power failure in heaven and the computers all went off. Only seconds later the lights came back on and all the computers started to re-boot. There was much crying and gnashing of teeth and pounding of keyboards as this happened. Down at the end of the table sat Jesus with a big smile on His face. Why was Jesus smiling amongst all this dismay? Simple! JESUS SAVES!

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