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Mustard Seeds

The King of Love and Truth

The Celebration of Christ the King is a celebration of God's unconditional love for each one of us. The great proof of this is the Holy Eucharist. Jesus, our King, is truly present in the Eucharist, in that small white Host we receive in Holy Communion. Our King loves us so much that he doesn't just impose his laws from a distance, but he comes into our hearts to give us his own strength to live by those laws. This is part of the truth of Christ, the truth that will allow us to experience Christian freedom, but is it a truth that we live deeply? One of the most famous Catholic preachers in Europe in the nineteenth century was Cardinal Mermillod, bishop of Lausanne, Switzerland. One day he gave a rousing homily on the Eucharist in his Cathedral. After Mass, he followed his usual practice of spending half an hour in prayer, in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament once the congregation had left. When he finished, he got up to go to the sacristy. He was surprised to hear the voice of a lady calling to him from behind a pillar. "Bishop," she said, "I listened to your sermon. It was powerful. But your words didn't convince me - I thought you were like a lawyer defending your Church's teaching. I needed more proof. "So when everyone left I hid and watched. When I saw you kneel down and pray so long, thinking you were completely alone, I found what I needed. I would like to become Catholic." The cardinal's faith in the truth of God's love, expressed so eloquently in the sacrament of the Eucharist, was so strong that it was contagious. He had accepted God's truth, he "belonged to the truth," and so was able to hear and heed God's voice in his heart.

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.







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November 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)	www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com Canon Martin Poland assisted by Fr. Benjamin Mkeri and Canon Matt McManus (Retired)	
	Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed	St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 20 th November	Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Kathleen Dewar (RD)			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
Sunday 21 st November	Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Mass at 10.30am Offered for our parishes	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30 (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 22 nd November	Memorial of St. Cecilia Mass at 10am Offered for Theresa Loudon (A)			
Tuesday 23 rd November	34 th Week of the Year Mass at 10am Offered for Danny Brown (RD)	Adoration 9.30 Mass at 10am		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 24 th November	Memorial of St. Andrew Dung Lac & Companions Mass at 10am Offered for Paul Ferguson (SI)		Mass at 10am	
Thursday 25 th November	Memorial of St. Catherine of Alexandria Mass at 10am Offered for Tony Kerrigan (RD)			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 26 th November	34 th Week of the Year Mass at 10am Offered for John Aitken Clarke (A) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 10.30 – 11am	Adoration 11.30 Mass at 12 noon	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 27 th November	1st Sunday of Advent (C) Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Patsy Hyslop (RD), Les Mills (RD)			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

Synod Topic Two – Listening

The first step in walking together is to really listen to one another, without prejudice or personal agenda. When we can listen like this, we may hear God's voice speaking to us through other people. You are invited to consider the following questions: How well do we listen, especially to people who have different views than our own? How can we better listen to young people, women and minority groups? Fr. Stephen Latham has created a short video reflection, which is available at gallowaydiocese.org.uk/synod-news, or at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=97UCeiWCkHU, to help you consider these questions.

Please discuss them with your family members and email the diocesan team at synod@gallowaydiocese.org.uk with any responses which you would like to share with us. If you wish to discuss these questions with people who no longer attend church or who have fallen away from their faith, this will be very welcome and should be done with the aim of listening to what they have to say, without seeking to try and make them understand your own point of view. The diocesan team will be pleased to receive all feedback on these questions, which will also be addressed during parish synod encounters in the coming weeks. Next week: Synod topic three - Speaking Out

Our parish representatives for St. Peter's: Andrena Hughes and Catherine Anne Grant

St. Bride's: Phyllis Howie, Ellen & Malcolm Milne.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Jim Boyle, Harry Sammons.

+ Those who have died recently:

Margaret Morgan, Patsy Hyslop, Kathleen Dewar, Danny Brown, Tony Kerrigan, Les Mills, Harriet Roe (Glasgow).

+ Those who died at this time of Year:

Joseph McKeraghan 2020, Matthew Ssenyondo, father of Father Charles 2015, Andrew Steven 1998, Karen Sharon Byrne 2003, Patrick Gerald Burns 2003, John Carry 1997, Canon George McCafferty 2000, Nora Moore 2012, Janie Matthews 2014, Elizabeth McDougall 1948, Mart Toland 2015, Father John Walsh 2009, Monsignor Frank Duffy 2000, Mary McNally 2004, Ian Mitchell 2011, John Clarke 2020, Declan Kelly 2016, Mary Higgins 1992, Jim Brodie 2011, Kenneth Donnelly 2008, Hannah Kirk 1989, John Maxwell 2002, Sarah McNamara 1980.

St. Bride's & Peter's Notices

- ► THANK YOU We have received a lovely card thanking the parishioners of St Peter's and St Bride's for the warm welcome and generous contributions to the Church's missionaries. The total donations for the calendars is £194.00
- ► SYCAMORE MEETINGS IN OUR PARISHES Please come along to our next Sycamore Meeting: At St Bride's on Monday, 22nd November at 7.30pm; at St Peter's on Thursday, 25th November at 7pm. Everyone is very welcome!
- ► ARDROSSAN CEMETERY MASS Our annual Mass at Ardrossan Cemetery will be on Sunday, 28th November at 2pm. We will offer the Mass for all our deceased loved ones and friends and neighbours. Everyone is welcome to come along.
- ► SINGING AND MUSIC AT ST PETER'S The Choir has been meeting regularly in Church with David. If you would like to join in and get involved wither by singing or with an instrument, please come along: Tuesday at 7pm.
- ► CHANA DONATIONS OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS we are teaming up with the charity Night before Christmas (NB4CC) to provide those who are homeless and being supported by North Ayrshire Council a Christmas present. Last year we donated £790, not counting the direct donations. We would be delighted if people would contribute to this charity. This can be done by visiting NB4CC's "Justgiving" page https://www.justgiving.com/nb4cc or putting your donation in an envelope marked "NB4CC" in the church collection".
- ► 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.
- ▶ **NEWSPAPER** The November edition of the Irish Voice is now available, collect your free copy today.
- ▶ THE SCOTTISH CATHOLIC MAGAZINE Issue 3 is now available at a cost of £2. From today this magazine will only be available to those who pre-order and pay for the yearly subscription. Please contact the parish office if you would like to to order and pre-pay for a subscription to this lovely magazine.

Next Sunday we celebrate Education Sunday

Next Sunday, First Sunday of Advent, we will welcome Susanne Dunne, the Head Teacher at St Peter's Primary. We will pray in a special way for the educational needs of our schools and for God's blessing on our staff and pupils.



World Youth Day

World Youth Day is most commonly known as an international gathering drawing millions of young people from around the world. However, World Youth Day is an annual event that, since its inception in 1985, has been celebrated on Palm Sunday. Pope Francis moved the celebration of World Youth Day to the Solemnity of Christ the King, which this year is being celebrated on Sunday, November 21. Each year, the Pope announces a theme and writes a message specifically for young people. This year, the theme is "Stand up! I appoint you as a witness of what you have seen" (Acts 26:16). Pope Francis' message can be found on the Vatican website (https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/yo uth/documents/papafrancesco 20210914 messaggiogiovani 2021.html) World Youth Day invites local dioceses and parishes to celebrate the contribution of young people in their communities and to pray for them in a particular way. It is also an opportunity for the young Church to gather and celebrate their faith. Our diocesan event for World Youth Day on Sunday evening (21st) in the Cathedral Hall, John Street, Ayr. KA8 OBS from 6pm till 8pm. It will be an evening celebrating World Youth Days through the years and hopefully putting down the seeds of signing-up for the next International World Youth Day in Lisbon in 2023.

Prayer for the Month of November

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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Many Thanks for your support and generosity!

Just for a Laugh... Johnny was going off to Mass on Sunday morning with several of his friends. His mother gave him two £1 coins, "One for you and one for God," she said. As Johnny and his friends walked along, he was flipping one of the £1 coins up in the air and catching it, over and over. Finally, one time he missed it and it rolled down a drain in the street. "Oops!" he said. "There goes God's Pound!"

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