



Parish Bulletin of
St Andrew's, Dumfries
and
St Columba's, Annan

*Parishes of the R C Diocese of Galloway -
Registered Charity No. SCO10576*

Parish Notices

Week beginning 10th August, 2025

Mass timetable in the week ahead:

NB Weekday Masses are restored in the week ahead. Friday 15th August is **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** when there will be a Holyday of Obligation timetable.

Weekday Masses:

St Andrew's: Wednesday at 10am; Friday at 9.30am & at 7pm.

St Columba's: Tuesday at 10am; Thursday at 7pm; Friday at 11.30am.

Weekend Masses:

St Andrew's: Saturday Vigil at 6pm; Sunday at 10am.

St Columba's: Sunday at 12noon

NB There is Mass with exposition in St Teresa's on Saturday, 16th August at 10am.

NB All Sunday 10am and Wednesday 10am Masses from St Andrew's are live-streamed.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

There is an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the period of Exposition on alternate Saturdays and also before the Vigil Mass on each weekend.

Summer Holiday

Fr Gerald is away until Tuesday 12th August. Canon Matthew McManus will again be covering this weekend. We welcome him and thank him for his help.

This weekend collection for FOHL

Following Fr David's article on "The Reality of Life in Palestine" which is available on the Church noticeboard, St Andrew's SSVP are going to replace their usual SSVP collections this weekend (9th, 10th August) with collections for the charity, "Friends of the Holy Land". This mirrors what Fr David is planning for his Churches. Anyone who would like to contribute can do so via the SSVP box at the back of the Church which will be relabelled for the purpose. A cheque will then be sent from the parish.

Meeting Dates

St Andrew's SSVP– Tuesday 12th August at 4pm in the house.

St Columba's PPC meeting –Tuesday 19th August at 10.30am.

St Andrew's AGM of the PPC– Tuesday 30th September at 7pm in the Church hall.

Collections

St Andrew's collection amounted to £660.15 with £201.50 from two Sunday Coffees and £5 more for Stella Maris. **SSVP** donations amounted to £122.16. **St Columba's** collection was £209.20. Thank you.

First Base food bank: Please keep up your donations of non-perishable foodstuffs for the Food Bank. Suggestions include: coffee, long life milk, pasta, cooking sauce, microwave rice, tinned meat, vegetables and potatoes

The Pope's prayer intention for August:

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

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10th August, 2025

19th Sunday of the year (Year C)

Wisdom 18: 6-9

Hebrews 11 : 1-2. 8-19

Luke 12: 32-48

Psalm Response

Blessed be the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage.

Today's Liturgy: Eucharistic Prayer I

Next Sunday :

20th Sunday of the year (Year C)

19th Sunday of the year (Year C)

Jesus reminds us that our heart lies where our treasure is. In our Mass today we can ask that he makes himself to be our treasure.

Fr Gerald's Mass Intentions for this week:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday: For the Parish

Sunday: For the Parish

Please remember in your prayers

those who are sick, everyone on the family prayer ministry requests and all those whose needs are not known to us.

Sick and Housebound

Dan and
Willa McCarron
May Fuller
Paddy Murphy
Anne Murdy

Ted & Jean Machin
Catherine O'Neill
Eric Sherman
Catherine Smith

I am available for the reception of the sacraments of Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion. If any parishioner requires assistance or needs to talk, please call me on the Parish number.

www.virc.at This website provides the readings for the Mass in many languages, eg English.
Please convey information and updates to anyone you know who is sick or housebound.



Year of Jubilee 2025

There is a Holy Year Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/holyyearsScotland2025> and visit www.iubilaeum2025.va for more details about this special year with the theme of Pilgrims of Hope. Join in when you can!

For the Holy Year, St Andrew's Church will be open from morning Exposition until the Vigil Mass on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

From Jo Kemp at St Mary's, New Abbey

"There will be Mass at St Mary's on the feast of the Assumption, Friday 15th August, at 12 noon with a picnic lunch in the garden afterwards. Fr Gerry Briody has let us know that he can also provide Mass at St Mary's on Tuesday 12th, Thursday 14th and Saturday 16th August at 10am. If you need transport, please phone Jo on 07798 764045."

Stop assisted suicide - action needed!

The Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill is expected to have its Second Reading in the House of Lords on Friday 12th September. Right To Life UK has launched an *EasyAction* tool to help you write to a few Peers with a tailored message to highlight key concerns with the Bill.

Please take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/ aspeers to ask Peers to oppose assisted suicide.



Children's Liturgy of the Word (St Andrew's)

The next Children's Liturgy will be advertised after the school holiday.

St Andrew's Parish Fundraising

The next event will be the reprise **Race Night on 3rd October**. These events are to raise money for parish funds. They are also a great way to come together socially. Thank you for supporting each of the events to the best of your ability.

The Reality of Life in Palestine

Fr David has kindly shared his update with us. Please see noticeboard. He includes ideas about what we can do, including praying, writing to our local MPs and donating to charities which are still active in the area including Friends of the Holy Land and Bethlehem Welfare Committee.



From B Jeavons on Ukrainian Supplies:

"Please do continue to help. Analgesia, eye drops, sterile water for eye irrigation, bandages, plasters and military tourniquets are needed as are cotton t-shirts, socks and donations of money. Thank you to everyone."

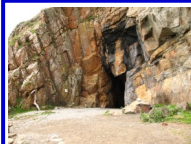
Emergency Financial Help

The cost of living crisis has now become normal and some people face unexpected costs. If this applies to you and you need exceptional help, limited funds are available. Please speak in confidence with Fr Gerald.

DIOCESAN SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay up to date with all the latest news and events from across the Diocese and follow us: [@redgalloway](https://www.facebook.com/redgalloway) on Facebook, X, or Instagram, and check out the website: www.rcdg.org.uk.

NB There is a First Aid box and a Defibrillator in the Church Sacristy should either be needed at any time.

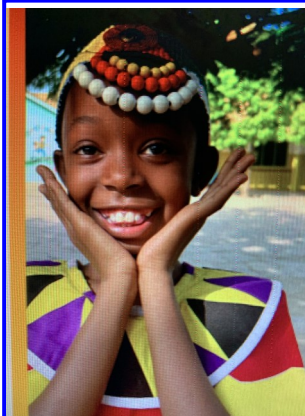


Whithorn Sunday

The annual diocesan pilgrimage to Whithorn is on Sunday **31st August with Mass at 4pm**. A coach has been hired for 1pm and there is now a list for names on the noticeboard. In this Holy Year when we are called to be Pilgrims of Hope, please decide to come along. Please also see details of the Youth pilgrimage to Whithorn at the social media outlined in the left column below.

Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne

This will be led by Fr Michael Kane, Parish Priest of St Augustine's in Coatbridge on **Saturday 16th August**, leaving Motherwell Cathedral at 9am and returning around 11pm. The cost is £35 per person and includes fish and chips in Berwick upon Tweed. To book or for more information, contact Jim McKelvie on 07957 847290 or e-mail him at j.mckelvie@holyyear2025.org.uk. All are welcome.



Return of the Singing Children!

The Singing Children from Jolaurabi School in Kenya are calling in to Dumfries during their forthcoming "Celebration Tour". They will be performing in St Andrew's Church on **Tuesday 26th August at 2pm**.

Admission is free and donations for the "Educate the Kids" charity are very welcome. Come and enjoy the children's "energetic and uplifting" performance and bring your friends and family! You can find out more about the charity which we have supported over the years and about the children and their tour at

St Andrew's "200" Club July Draw

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| 1. | £50 | no.137 | Stephanie Watson |
| 2. | £25 | no. 76 | Robert McTurk |
| 3. | £15 | no.131 | Gerald Onde |

St Columba's "100" Club July Draw

Winner no.11 C O'Donnell Church funds - £52.
Congratulations to this month's winners!



"The Depot"

Our friends at "The Depot" would welcome any donations of men's clothes (sizes small to large) and men's shoes, sizes 6.5 to 9 which can be left at the back of the Church or outside the hall basement depot. Thank you! We are most grateful to those from the Depot who are volunteering their considerable skills to help with hall and grounds maintenance.



St Andrew's Coffees/Teas on Sunday

All are welcome for Sunday teas/coffees/juice in the hall after Mass on Sunday. There are tasty treats on offer. Please donate at least £1.50 for a hot drink and £2 for a drink and cake/biscuit if you can. All proceeds are for the Church apart from those from one team which are donated to St Andrew's Primary School.

Please take a copy of the bulletin home to remind you of the times of services and events during the coming week and please take a copy to anyone you know who is sick or housebound.

