



*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 12th October, 2025**

*Mass timetable in the week ahead:*

NB There will be no 10am Mass on Tuesday in St Columba's.

**Weekday Masses:**

**St Andrew's: Wednesday at 10am; Friday at 10am.**

**St Columba's: Thursday at 7pm.**

**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, 18th October.*

**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.

***World Mission Sunday***

Please pick up your World Mission Sunday magazine this weekend in advance of World Mission Sunday which is next weekend. Please see more detail overleaf. There will be a second collection next weekend.

***Bulletin Deadline***

The deadline for next week's parish bulletin notices will be 9am on Wednesday, 15th October. Thanks.

***Meeting Dates***

**St Andrew's PPC**— the next meeting will be on Tuesday 11th November at 7pm in the house.

**St Columba's PPC**—the next meeting will be on Tuesday 18th November.

***Collections***

**St Andrew's** collection amounted to £653.06. **SSVP** donations amounted to £167.78. 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, tins.

***Rest in Peace***

We pray for the repose of the souls of **May Murphy** and of **Jim Milligan** who have died. We pray for their families and friends at this time.

***The Pope's prayer intention for October:***

**For collaboration between different religious traditions**

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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**12th October, 2025**

**28th Sunday of the Year (Year C)**

2 Kings 5: 14-17

2 Timothy 2: 8-13

Luke 17: 11-19

***Psalm Response***

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

**Today's Liturgy:** Eucharistic Prayer II

***Next Sunday :***

29th Sunday of the year (Year C)

***28th Sunday of the Year (Year C)***

Today we hear stories of healing and how some of those who were healed responded with thanksgiving and faith.

***Fr Gerald's Mass Intentions for this week:***

Tuesday:

Wednesday: Dennis Maher

Thursday: Ben Woods intention

Friday: Vivien Tremble anniversary

Saturday: Jim Milligan

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

Anne Murdy

All others who are ill

Ted & Jean Machin

Catherine O'Neill

Eric Sherman

Catherine Smith

Norah Scott

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/hollyyearsScotland2025> and visit [www.iubilaum2025.va](http://www.iubilaum2025.va) for more details about

this special year with the theme of Pilgrims of Hope. Join in when you can!

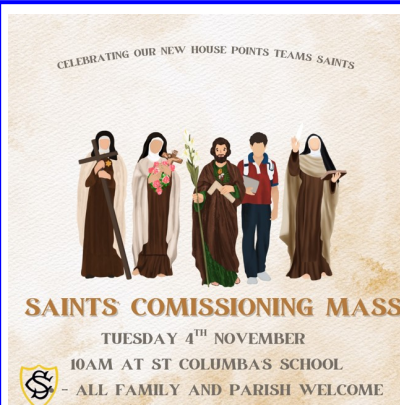
For the Holy Year, St Andrew's Church will be open from morning Exposition until the Vigil Mass on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.



### Sacramental Preparation

The current age for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion is children in P4. If your child is not at a Catholic school and you wish them to receive the Sacraments please let Fr Donnelly know as soon as possible.

For St Columba's Annan, Mrs Pat McElhone has taken the Sacramental preparation for many years and has done a fantastic job, but sadly has had to give this up. If you would like to take this over, or a few would like to help, please let Fr Donnelly know.



### All Welcome

All are welcome as St Columba's school hosts Mass at 10am on Tuesday, 4th November to celebrate their new house point teams being named after Saints. NB There is no Mass in the Church on this day.

**"The Depot"** :Our friends at "The Depot" welcome any donations of men's clothes 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!

### YOUTH (P6-S4) EVENINGS

Join young people from across the cluster for their next monthly Youth Evening in St Teresa's, Dumfries on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October**. Open to all young people in P6-S4, and led by their S3 Junior Leaders, the evenings offer young people an opportunity to come together and to grow in friendship and faith through Mass, games, activities, pizza, and a talk. The theme this month is "Mary". The evening begins with Mass at 5.00 pm, following which they'll continue in the Hall, finishing at 7.00 pm. **Interested?** Save time on the night and complete a parental consent form on their website: [youth.rcdg.org.uk](http://youth.rcdg.org.uk). Travelling to the evening or want to stay to see what's happening? There's an area set aside for parents with tea, coffee, and biscuits provided. See you there!

### 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."

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



### Prayers for Peace

A time for prayers and lighting candles for peace in our world. Open to all at St John's, Newall Terrace, **every Friday at 12 noon** until further notice, 30 minutes of prayer and candle lighting followed by tea and coffee.



### Mission Month

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday when we are called by Pope Leo to be "Missionaries of Hope". We can do this by being part of the Church's missionary efforts, supporting missionary priests, religious sisters and brothers, and lay catechists who provide hope to those most in need. Let us pray for the Church's missionary work and offer our financial support through Missio Scotland for our Catholic brothers and sisters in mission countries.

You can donate to "Missio Scotland" directly using the slips and envelopes beside the magazines or via the second collection in Church next weekend.

### St Andrew's Fundraising

Sincere apologies for the delay to the Race Night. It turns out that licences are not easily transferable, so a new date had to be found.

The Race Night will now be on **Friday 7th November at 7pm**. All horse owners and sponsors remain valid and any tickets purchased remain valid. If the change of dates means that you can now come along, then please do so!

The moving of the Race Night means that November is a busy fundraising month with Girvan Folk Night also pencilled in for **Friday 21st November** and the annual Christmas Fayre after Mass on **Sunday 30th November**.

Please support all of the events as best you can since all proceeds are for the parish.



### Thank you from St Andrew's Primary School

"We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the members of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society at St Andrew's RC parish for their recent, generous donation.

The continued support of our parish community makes a significant difference, helping us to remove poverty-related barriers discreetly so that every child can thrive. Thank you for your ongoing support."

### IS GOD CALLING YOU TO PRIESTHOOD?

If you sense a vocation to be a Priest and would like support to discern this call, please contact Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Stephen McGrattan, at [vocations@rcdg.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdg.org.uk) or 01563 521832. 0



### 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.

