



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 19th October, 2025

Mass timetable in the week ahead:

NB In addition to the normal Mass timetable, there is also Mass on Thursday morning, 23rd October, which is the Requiem Mass for Jim Milligan.

Weekday Masses:

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

St Columba's: Tuesday at 10am; 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 Andrew's on Saturday, 25th 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

World Mission Sunday is this weekend. We pray for those who work in the missions. There will be a second collection.

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for next week's parish bulletin notices will be 9am on Thursday, 23rd October. Thanks.

Meeting Dates

St Andrew's SSVP- Tuesday 21st October at 4pm in the house.

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 £685.10 with £63.30 raised at Sunday Coffee. **SSVP** donations amounted to £156. **St Columba's** collection over 2 weeks was £429.90 with £60.11 for SCIAF and £10 for SSVP. Coffee and Cake raised a wonderful £155. Many thanks.

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**. 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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19th October, 2025

29th Sunday of the Year (Year C)

Exodus 17: 8-13

2 Timothy 3: 14 –4:2

Luke 18: 1-8

Psalm Response

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

Today's Liturgy: Eucharistic Prayer III

Next Sunday :

30th Sunday of the year (Year C)

29th Sunday of the Year (Year C)

As we gather here today, we are reminded to be present to this moment, to be awake to God's word, and to persevere in faith. As we celebrate World Mission Day, we commit our hearts to sharing the joy of the Gospel, both through the way we live and through our words of hope.

Fr Gerald's Mass Intentions for this week:

Tuesday:	Norrie Galbraith anniversary
Wednesday:	Ben Woods
Thursday:	Jim Milligan
Friday:	Stanley Cummings anniversary
Saturday:	Ben Woods
Sunday:	For the Parish

Please remember in your prayers

those who are sick; those who are housebound; those who are named on the family prayer ministry requests and all of those whose needs are not known to us.

Please pray at this time for...

Dan and Willa McCarron	Ted & Jean Machin
May Fuller	Catherine O'Neill
Anne Murdy	Eric Sherman
Thomas Gray	Catherine Smith
Norah Scott	All others who are ill

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/hollyyearscoltland2025> and visit www.iubilaeum2025.va for more details about

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

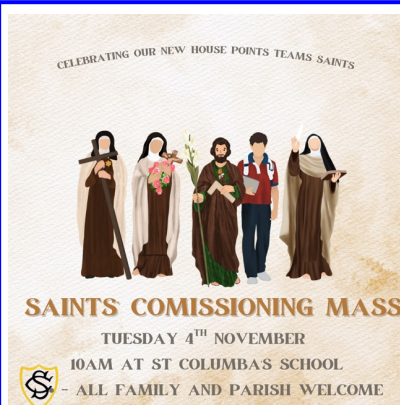
For the Holy Year, St Andrew's Church will be open from morning Exposition until the Vigil Mass on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

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.

Novena to St Michael

A Novena to St Michael with a Statue of the Saint will be prayed on every one of the 9 days at St Teresa's Church at 6.30pm starting on the evening of **Monday 20th October**. All are welcome.



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 26th 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. 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.



The Feast of All Saints

This has been transferred to Sunday 2nd November, therefore there is no Holyday timetable. The Vigil Mass on Saturday 1st November will be that of All Saints.

Mission Month

Today, with every Catholic in every parish in the world, we celebrate World Mission Sunday. The theme our Late Holy Father, Pope Francis, chose is "Missionaries of Hope to all Peoples". In this Jubilee Year of Hope, let us show our solidarity of faith with our Catholic brothers and sisters in those parts of the Church where it is small, young and poor, such as the Church in Bolivia. Our prayers and generous financial support given through Mission Scotland, will enable them to be a source of God's love for the communities of which they are part. Your prayers and financial assistance will support missionary priests, religious sisters and brothers and lay catechists.

You can donate to "Missio Scotland" directly using the slips and envelopes beside the magazines or via the second collection in Church this weekend. You are welcome to complete a Giftaid form (available at the back of the Church) for the latter and to put this in with the Church collection.

St Andrew's Fundraising

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.

Diocese of Galloway Young Adults' Pilgrimage

Please remember in your prayers the Diocesan group of young adults who departed earlier in the week on their 112km Holy Year pilgrimage on the Camino de Santiago. The 11 young adults and 3 leaders are carrying their own intentions as well as the intentions of the Diocesan community which are represented by two pebbles from Whithorn. We thank them for representing us and wish them a safe and fulfilling passage.



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.

