



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

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Parish Notices

Week beginning 31st May, 2026
Mass timetable in the week ahead:

There is a normal Mass timetable in the week ahead.

Weekday Masses:

St Andrew's: Wednesday 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 Teresa's on Saturday 6th June at 10am.

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

First Saturday Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima

This will be said next Saturday, 6th June, at 5.15pm at Our Lady's altar. Our Lady asked the three children at Fatima to pray the rosary daily to bring peace in the world. All are welcome.

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.

"Discernment in the Spirit" summaries

The summaries of notes taken at the St Andrew's Discernment in the Spirit meeting on 12th May are now available for those who attended. Fr Gerald has several printed copies in the sacristy and there's the option to e-mail in to the parish office if you attended and would like a copy sent in e-mail attachment next Friday.

Galloway Lourdes Hospitality 70th Anniversary

This will be celebrated with Mass in St Winin's, Kilwinning, on **Sunday 21st June at 3.30pm**. All who have been involved with Hospitalite and pilgrimage in any way are most welcome!

Meeting Dates

St Columba's PPC– Tuesday 9th June at 10.30am in the house.

St Andrew's SSVP- Tuesday 2nd June at 4pm in the house.

St Andrew's PPC– AGM on Tuesday, 29th September.

Collections

St Andrew's collection was £801.65 with £78.20 at Sunday Coffee. **SSVP** collected £189.16. **St Columba's** collection was £297.51 with £33.54 for SCIAF. Thank you.

Hospital Visiting Policy

If a patient wishes a visit from a priest or deacon text or message the RC Chaplain on 07591 230828 or email rechaplain.hospital@yahoo.com.

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.

The Pope's prayer intention for May:

That everyone might have food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to food of good quality.

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The Most Holy Trinity (Missal p332) (A)

Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9

2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

John 3: 16-18

Psalm Response

To be praised and highly exalted for ever!

Today's Liturgy: Eucharistic Prayer II

Next Sunday : Corpus Christi (Year A)

The Most Holy Trinity

Today, Trinity Sunday, celebrates our God who always was, is and will be for ever, who calls us into a loving relationship which is beyond anything we can imagine.

Fr Gerald's Mass Intentions for this week:

Tuesday:	McElhone intention
Wednesday:	Alan Denholm
Thursday:	Fr Pat McSorley
Friday:	Alan Denholm
Saturday:	Fr Pat McSorley
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...

Flo Tobin	James Caro
Dan McCarron	Ted & Jean Machin
May Fuller	Catherine O'Neill
Anne Murdy	Eric Sherman
Thomas Gray	Catherine Smith
Anne & Peter Richardson	Anna Hart
Cathy Pittendreigh	All who are ill or in distress.

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.

St Andrew's Annual Fundraising Quiz



Father Gerald's annual parish quiz will take place in St Andrew's Church hall on **Friday 5th June at 7pm**. There will be a bar with beer, wine and soft drinks. Tickets costing £3 are now on sale! Bring friends, work colleagues and family along for what is always a fun evening! Please join in to make the 2026 quiz night a success!

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."

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Opportunities in St Andrew's

Please think seriously and speak with Fr Gerald if you can help with pass-keeping and welcoming people at the Church door. It's a great way to get to know fellow parishioners!

A great volunteer found! Many thanks indeed to Erin for offering to take over the ordering for and running of the shop. Mary will continue in an advisory role and will continue to stock the stand in the porch as well as to retain a key in case anyone requests shop items at weekday Masses. Thank you for stepping forward to keep the shop open for us all, Erin!

Society of St Vincent De Paul

Please give serious consideration to joining the SVDP conference.

Donations, either one-off or by standing order, may be made online or through your bank to St Andrew's SSVP, account number 00613268, sort code 80 11 60. Thank you.

Dumfries Adult Professionals Group

For Catholics aged 30 and above. In this group, we are planning to discuss how we are living out our Catholic faith in our day-to-day lives and in our workplace. There will be group Rosary and tea/coffee. For more details and if you are interested to join, please contact Christina Silby through message/WhatsApp on 07910 478191.

Dumfries Catholic Women's Group

Inviting all ladies in the parish to come together to share how we are living out femininity in the current vocation which God has uniquely given us. Meetings will include group Rosary, Bible/faith-based studies and sharing food. For more details, please contact Christina via message/WhatsApp on 07910 478191.

Invitation to Songs of Praise

Good Nyburris Songs of Praise – All are welcome at the Dumfries Christian Network's annual event on Sunday 14th June at 7pm in the new building at Dumfries High School. Refreshments will be served before the singing begins

DIOCESAN SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay up to date with all the latest news and events from across the Diocese and follow us: **@rcdgalloway** on Facebook, X, or Instagram, and check out the website: www.rcdg.org.uk.

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



First Holy Communion

Please pray for all of our candidates who are due to celebrate First Holy Communion next Sunday, 7th June in St Columba's and on Sunday 14th June in St Andrew's.



RC Diocese of Galloway Youth and Young Adults

Please see the noticeboard and the Diocesan social media for information about Youth and Young Adults' events in the Diocese in the course of 2026.

There are now copies of the May Galloway Youth newsletter available in both Churches.

Look out for the monthly youth evenings in St Teresa's which are open to young people in p5 and upwards until the summer.

Please contact the youth office if you can help in the kitchen or with any aspect of the youth evenings.

St. Joseph's College Presents

The Wizard of Oz

Tickets – £9 Adult/ £6 Concession

Available from www.ticketsource.co.uk / School Office

16th – 19th June 2026

By L. Frank Baum
With Music and Lyrics by Harold Arlen and E. Y. Harburg
Background Music by Herbert Stothart
Vocal Arrangements by Peter Howard
Orchestration by Larry Wilcox
Adapted by John Kane for the Royal Shakespeare Company
Based upon the Classic Motion Picture owned by Turner Entertainment Co. and distributed in all media by Warner Bros. All rights reserved. In the U.K. or U.S. it is protected by copyright with source materials in its nature of being derived in U.K.

Lourdes Hospitalite

There are raffle tickets available for the Galloway Lourdes Hospitalite on the back table. Please support if you can.



"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.

They would also welcome any donations of toilet rolls and of any toiletries for men eg shaving foam, deodorant, toothpaste.



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.



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