

# Welcome to St Mary's



The Church will be closed daily after Mass

**Our Parish Priest is: Fr Graeme Bell, The Parish House, 10 Ardrossan Road, SALTCOATS. KA21 5BW**

The Parish Office is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9.30am -2.30pm for all routine enquiries.

The parish secretary, Mrs Lorna Hand, will be happy to help with Mass intentions, certificates, information, general enquiries etc.

Telephone: (01294) 463461. Email: mail@rcsaltcoats.com Parish website: www.rcsaltcoats.com.

The latest news can be found on our webpage, including death notices and other information

## FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD YEAR B 11th JANUARY 2015

Sunday Masses	4.30pm Vigil, 9.30am and 11.30am.
Services this week	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 10am.
Morning Prayer (vol 1, wk 1)	Monday at 9.45am.
Confessions each week	Saturdays at 3.45pm till 4.15pm. (Please understand that these scheduled arrangements may need to be altered without notice)
Baptisms	By appointment-Booking Forms available in the Church Porch/Parish Office.
Marriages	At least six months notice is required. Please contact the Parish Priest.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Monday until 11.30am and Friday until 11am.
Devotions	First Saturday Fatima Devotions.
Holy Rosary	Before daily Mass, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and First Saturday.

### PARISH GROUPS

Parish Hall Bookings	Please call Trina on 467468 (during reasonable hours please). Please note booking form has to be completed to confirm your booking
Children's Liturgy (during school time)	11.30am Sunday Mass-volunteers needed to assist (not lead!).
Sunday Teas	After 9.30am and 11.30am Masses on Sundays: Volunteers needed for teas after 9.30am and 11.30am Masses.
Tuesday Lunch Club (TLC)	Every Tuesday from 10.30am till 2pm in the Parish Hall. (Food served until 12.30pm)
SVDP	Meets every Tuesday in the Parish Hall from 7pm. Call 07796237890 and leave details to arrange an appointment or a visit.
Church Cleaning Team	Thursdays after 10am Mass in the Church-help always welcome.
Poetry Group	Meets every last Thursday of the month in the Parish House at 7.15pm.

Scottish Charity Number: RC Diocese of Galloway SC 010576.

Neighbouring parishes: Canon Martin Poland, St John's, Stevenston (01294) 463225 and Canon Matt McManus, St Peter's, Ardrossan (01294) 464063.

The RC Chaplain at Crosshouse Hospital is Deacon Bill Corbett

Going into Hospital? Ask Father Bell for the Anointing of the Sick before you are admitted.

Ask the ward Sister to let Deacon Corbett know you are admitted and would appreciate a routine visit.

In an emergency situation ask the nurse on duty for the priest-on-call to be bleeped.

Our sincere condolences and prayers are sent to the families and friends of

**Jean Finn RIP**

**David Paterson RIP**

Jean's funeral took place on Thursday.

David's Funeral will take place on Thursday (15th) at 10am.

+May they rest in peace+

**WEEKLY COLLECTION.** £1,197.46. Thank you all for your continued support

**JUSTICE & PEACE SPECIAL COLLECTON.** £817.38. Thank you all once again for your generosity.

**CHOIR FOR BISHOP-ELECT NOLAN'S ORDINATION.** Singers are invited to join the diocesan choir for the Bishop-Elect's ordination. Rehearsals Wednesday and some Sunday evenings in the Cathedral. Contact David Robinson on 07714 340854.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18TH-25TH JANUARY.** Begins on Sunday 18th January with a service at South Beach Baptist Church at 3pm then local churches will mark this week in the Christian calendar by welcoming each other to their churches with short services during the week at the following places of worship: Monday 19th—Salvation Army; Tuesday 20th—St Cuthbert's; Wednesday 21st—here in St Mary's; Thursday 22nd—Kirkgate and Friday 23rd — St Andrew's. All services will take place at Midday. Just like last year this is a spiritual input from different ministers from different churches. You will be most welcome.

**EXPOSITION.** Will take place on Sunday 25th January at 7pm in the church.

**P.P.C.** The next meeting will take place on Sunday 25th January at 7.30pm in the parish house.

**P.F.C.** Will meet again on Monday 9th February at 7.30pm in the parish house.

**ANNUAL CRIB APPEAL.** You can now start handing in your small boxes either into the Sacristy or the parish office.

**TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB.** Will be open again this coming Tuesday.

**YOUTH CLUB AGM.** There will be a meeting on Friday 16th January at 7pm in the hall for committee members, all helpers and parents of all children who attend both Friday and Sunday night youth clubs. Members of the general public also welcome. Due to the AGM being held there will be no youth club on that night. Fun resumes on Friday 23rd.

**FOOD BANK.** In the last three weeks St Mary's has donated over 150kg of food. We have also been given £10, which will be spent on baby food. Thanks again for the consistently high level of support. The Food Bank at Salvation Army Hall is staffed by volunteers, mainly from three local churches, including St Mary's. This part of the North Ayrshire Food Bank is now becoming busy after a lull before Christmas.

**ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL.** Primary 1 enrolment will take place on the following dates: Monday 12th January at 11am-12 Noon and 1.15pm-2.15pm; Wednesday 14th January at 11am-12 Noon and Friday 16th January at 9am-10.30am. Please remember to bring your child's Birth Certificate with you.

**R.C.I.A.** Will start up again tomorrow (Monday) at 7pm in the parish house.

**SVDP.** Are currently looking for a sofa and a kitchen table. If you can help with any of these items please contact them on 07796237890.

**BURNS SUPPER AND CEILIDH.** St Matthew's Academy are hosting a Burns Supper to raise funds for HCPT on Friday 23rd January at 6.45pm—11pm. Our aim is to send 4 6<sup>th</sup> year pupils and 2 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year pupils to Lourdes at Easter with the charity. Please come along and join us for an evening packed full of entertainment! Tickets are priced at £10 per adult, £7.50 concession and £5 for children and can be obtained from the School Office on 606680.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION.** From now on families seeking baptisms for their children are asked to attend a class to prepare for the Sacraments. The next class will take place on Thursday 5th February 2015 at 6.30pm.

**STANDING ORDER FORMS.** Would you consider paying your weekly donation by direct debit? Forms are available in the sacristy or contact the parish office.

**THE GOOD SAMARITAN...** Didn't cross to the other side, so **PLEASE** be a Good Samaritan. It's about our minibus, yes ST MARY'S minibus, the wee blue bus that lets some of our more mature, less able bodied, or simply parishioners with transport difficulties, attend church. Please help to maintain this valuable **SERVICE**. We urgently need experienced **Drivers** (aged 25 and over with a clean driving licence) and even more urgently **Helpers** (aged 16 and over) for 11.30am Mass. If you are willing to help, then please phone Alex on 463687. There are also a few seats available on the bus for 9.30am Mass. If you or anyone you know, would like to use the bus, please phone the above number. Volunteers for 4.30pm and 9.30am Masses would also be most welcome.

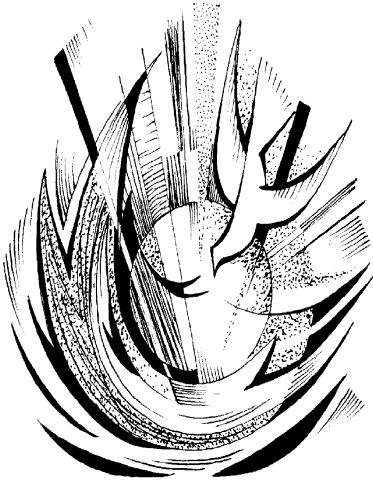
**PARISH DIARIES.** 2015 diaries are on sale at the stall for only £1 each. All proceeds will go to Fr Keith's mission in Guyana.

**JUMBULANCE TO LOURDES EASTER 2015.** Our local Across Group are looking for sick/limited mobility pilgrims and any helpers who wish to travel to Lourdes next year (23<sup>rd</sup> April to 2<sup>nd</sup> May) by the specially adapted coach with fully medical support & staffing. Please contact the group leader Alison Neil on 07749 555955 or amd.neil@outlook.com for more details or to book a place.

**BESURE TRAVEL INSURANCE.** BeSure Travel Insurance is designed to provide cover for people of all ages with medical conditions and their travelling companions, even if you have a medical condition you can travel with security and peace of mind. Every policy purchased generates a donation to our church fund. Use Promo Code: STM when purchasing your policy.

**MASS REQUESTS.** To avoid disappointment when a date may already have been allocated, this is a friendly reminder to hand in your requests for Anniversaries and Special Intentions at least 3 months in advance of the occasion if possible. I know you will understand that Funerals take priority over all other requests.

DAY AND TIME	MASS INTENTIONS	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:</b></p> <p><b>Special Intentions:</b> Teresa Morrison (RIP Birthday wishes), Jim Wright (sick), Jimmy Farrell, All those affected by Cancer and undergoing Hospital tests and procedures.</p> <p><b>Those who are sick:</b> Jim Wright, Agnes Morrison, Ian Hamilton, Jimmy Farrell Snr, Leslie Meechan, Amie McCann, Anthony DaPrato, Andrew Campbell, Jennifer Tawse, Jennifer Ford, Mrs Kelly, Isabel Mullen, Susan Garland, Liam Chalmers, Marion Mullen, Matt Lynch, Irene Smith, Anne Hand, Aileen Whiston and Alex Doherty.</p> <p><b>Those who have an anniversary:</b> Larry O'Keefe, Mary Whiston, Tommy Reid, Robert Hastings, Paul Millar, Claire Burke, Edward McIntyre, Pat &amp; Jean Kelly, Margaret Smyth, James McNamara, Peter McCarroll, Clare Cairney, Anne Marie O'Brien, Margaret Taylor, James Whiston, Veronica Hendren, William Stuart, Marian Colquhoun, Joe McCormick, Peter Timmons, Jane Cairns, (Mary) Ellen Brown, Margaret Nicol, Isa McGhie, Anne Main, Robert Meechan, Patrick Hutchinson, Frances Kelly and Catherine O'Meara.</p> <p><b>Those who have died recently:</b> Patrick McCurry, Jean Finn, David Paterson, Margaret McGinn, Maureen Mullen, David Lynn, Fonce Yelverton, Sheila Douglas, Martin McCann, Betty Wilson, Pat Hughes (Irvine), William Crawford (Coatbridge), George Forbes and Christina Ferguson.</p>
SATURDAY 4.30pm 10th January	Teresa Morrison (RIP Birthday wishes) Paul Millar (Ann) Tommy Reid (Ann)	
SUNDAY 9.30am 11th January	Pat & Jean Kelly (Ann)	
SUNDAY 11.30am	Robert Hastings (Ann) Claire Burke (Ann)	
MONDAY 10am	Claire Burke (Ann) Patrick Anthony Hutchison (Ann)	
TUESDAY 10am	Jimmy Farrell (Sp Int) Jim Wright (Sick)	
THURSDAY 10am	Edward McIntyre (Ann) Charlie Farrell (RecDec)	
FRIDAY 10am	Larry O'Keefe (1st Ann) Mary Whiston (Ann)	
SATURDAY 4.30pm 17th January	May Higgins (Ann) Jane Cairns (Ann)	
SUNDAY 9.30am 18th January	Robert & Jean Wyllie (Ann)	
SUNDAY 11.30am	For the Parish	



# The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah (42:1-4, 6-7)

**Response to Psalm 28:**

**All Masses:**

*The Lord will bless his people with peace.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (10:34-38)

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded:**

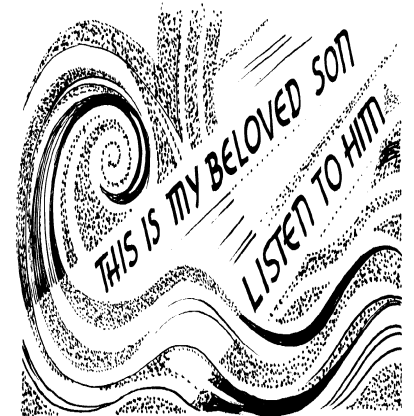
**"This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him."**

**Alleluia.**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

(1:7-11)

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**Next Week: 18th January 2015 – Second Sunday of the Year (B)**  
*1Samuel 3:3-10.19; Psalm 39; 1Corinthians 6:13-15. 17-20; John 1:35-42*

## MINISTRY ROTA

Please find a replacement if for some reason you are unable to fulfil your ministry. Thank you.

SUNDAY MASS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	READERS	SERVERS SUPERVISORS	COUNTERS	MINIBUS TEAM	SUNDAY TEAS
10th January At 4.30pm	Team 2	Christopher Simpson Betty Doherty Luke Gregory	Margaret	Team 8	Eileen Henderson	
11th January At 9.30am	Team 4	Tommy Murphy Margaret McCreath Hugh McCreath	Andrea	Team 8	Sandy McCaig	Eileen Coppolla
At 11.30am	Team 11	Margaret Millar Louise White Lewis Docherty	Elaine	Team 8	Michael Clarke	Eileen Coppolla
17th January At 4.30pm	Team 3	Alex Tulloch Beth Curran Josh Watson	Anne Marie	Team 8	Alex Doherty	
18th January At 9.30am	Team 5	Michael Murray Agnes Forbes Martin McAllister	Agnes	Team 8	Frank Turbet	Kathleen Chapman
At 11.30am	Team 9	Maureen Moffat RoseAnn Mitchell Jennifer Northcote	Isabel	Team 8	Volunteer please	