

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

### SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B

#### **18th JANUARY 2015**

Sunday Masses	4.30pm Vigil, 9.30am and 11.30am.			
Services this week	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday at 10am. Friday at 11am			
Morning Prayer (vol 1, wk 2)	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 C	harity Number: RC Diocese of Galloway SC 010576.			
Neighbouring parishes: Canon Martin Poland, S	t 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 <u>before</u> you are admitted.

Ask the ward Sister to let Deacon Corbett know you are admitted and would appreciate a <u>routine</u> 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

#### Colette McInnes RIP Mary Ottaway RIP

Colette's Body Reception will take place on Thursday at 5.30pm. Her Funeral Mass will take place on Friday at 11am. Mary's Funeral Mass will take place next Monday (26th). +May they rest in peace+

WEEKLY COLLECTION. £1,033.89. Thank you all for your continued support

**HOLY HOUR.** Will take place on Sunday 8th February at 3pm in St John's, Stevenston for the intention of praying for the ministry of Bishop Elect Nolan.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18TH-25TH JANUARY. Begins today 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.

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.

**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.

**300 CLUB.** November winners were: £100–J. Cassidy (183); £50–F. Breen (74); £10–M. McCreath (176); E. Lynch (2); L. White (24); J. Monan (127) and S. McCaig (86). December winners were: £10–E. MacLaren (158); W. Loudon (179); A. Lafferty (97); D. Callaghan (58) and K. Lennox (66). Subscriptions for January will be taken up this weekend with the draw next weekend (25th) after 9.30am Mass.

**GALLOWAY YOUTH FOR LOURDES.** A prize bingo will take place on Friday 6th February in the parish hall to raise funds for Youth for Lourdes. All donations for prizes and raffle would be greatly appreciated and can be handed into the parish office. Tickets are £2/adult and 50p/child and are available from Teresa Burns, Hannah Burns (S6 pupil at St Matthew's) or the parish office.

YOUTH CLUB. Fun resumes this coming Friday and Sunday.

R.C.I.A. Meet every Monday at 7pm in the parish house.

**SVDP.** Are currently looking for a kitchen table. If you can help with this item 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.

A little thought for those who enter this church:

- be thoughtful—be silent—be reverent

Before Mass: speak to God

During Mass: let God speak to YOU

After Mass: speak to others!

**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.

**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.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN... Didn't cross to the other side, so <u>PLEASE</u> 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 <u>SER-VICE</u>. We urgently need experienced <u>Drivers</u> (aged 25 and over with a clean driving licence) and even more urgently <u>Helpers</u> (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.

**BROWNIES.** Will be open tomorrow (Monday) as normal.

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

**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			
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			
MONDAY 10am	Bill Hazelton (RecDec) Gretta Taylor (Ann)			
TUESDAY 10am	Michael Cowan (RecDec) Anne Marie O'Brien (Ann)			
THURSDAY 10am	James Farrell (RecDec) Evelyn Clugston (Ann)			
FRIDAY 11am	Funeral Mass for Colette McInnes			
SATURDAY 4.30pm 24th January	James Whiston (Ann) Margaret Taylor (Ann)			
SUNDAY 9.30am 25th January	For the Parish			
SUNDAY 11.30am	Molly McCafferty (1st Ann) Clare Cairney (Ann)			

## YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

**Special Intentions**: Teresa Morrison (RIP Birthday wishes), Jim Wright (sick), Jimmy Farrell, All those affected by Cancer and undergoing Hospital tests and procedures.

**Those who are sick:** 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.

Those who have an anniversary: Gretta Taylor, Evelyn Clugston, Antony Loye, Michael McKernon, Molly McCafferty (1st Ann), Larry O'Keefe, Mary Whiston, Tommy Reid, Robert Hastings, Paul Millar, Claire Burke, Edward McIntyre, Pat & Jean Kelly, Margaret Smyth, James McNamara, Peter McCarroll, Clare Cairney, Anne Marie O'Brien, Margaret Taylor and James Whiston.

**Those who have died recently**: Mary Ottaway, Colette McInnes, Sarah Rhodes (Reid) (Former parishioner who died in Wickford. We keep the family in our prayers), Agnes Martin, Patrick O'Rourke, Martin McCann, Patrick McCurry, Jean Finn, David Paterson, Margaret McGinn, Maureen Mullen and David Lynn.



# The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the First Book of Samuel (3:3-10.19)

#### **Response to Psalm 39:**

All Masses: Here I am Lord! I come to do your will.

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (6:13-15. 17-20)

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John  $\stackrel{(1:35\text{-}42)}{}$ 

Next Week: 25th January 2015 — Third Sunday of the Year (B) Jonah 3:1-5. 10; Psalm 24; 1Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20



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		
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			
24th January At 4.30pm	Team 1	Ann McSkimming Michelle de Valencia Luke Gregory	Margaret	Team 8	Danny McGoogan			
25th January At 9.30am	Team 6	Franco Ambrosini George Jackson Gemma Ambrosini	Laura	Team 8	Charles Monaghan	Trina McAvoy		
At 11.30am	Team 10	John Mitchell Michael White Margaret Millar	Angela	Team 8	John Cavani			