

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B 25th JANUARY 2015

Sunday Masses	4.30pm Vigil, 9.30am and 11.30am.
Services this week	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 10am.
Morning Prayer (vol 1, wk 3)	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.

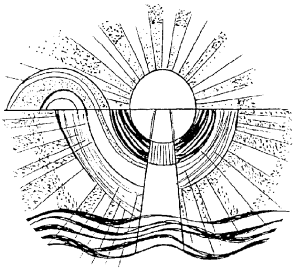
Neighbouring parishes: Canon Martin Poland, St John's, Stevenston (01294) 463225 and Canon Matt McManus, St Peter's, Ardrossan (01294) 464063.

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.



WEEKLY COLLECTION. £1,147.39. Thank you all for your continued support

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL. Fr Brandon s.m.a. will be visiting our parish next weekend. A special collection will take place at all masses.

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.

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 tonight (Sunday) at 7pm in the church.

P.P.C. The next meeting will take place tonight (Sunday) at 7.30pm in the parish house.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

THANK YOU. Betty Valencia would like to thank all parishioners for their kind donations in helping her sell her raffle tickets a couple of weeks ago, it was a great success and she raised £220.

RAINBOWS. Re-started on Monday 19th. There are places available for girls aged 5 and 6. Please contact Elaine Cairns on 462023 or come along to the hall at 6.30pm.

STELLA MARES YOUTH GROUPS. Both junior and senior groups are back in business as a new committee was elected. They are looking for help at both groups. Still spaces available at the senior group (1st-3rd years). Newcomers most welcome.

ST PETER'S CHILDREN CENTRE NURSERY REGISTRATION. Registration for children born between 1st March 2011 and 28th February 2013 will take place from tomorrow (Monday) till Friday 30th from 9.30am to 11.30am and 1.30pm to 3pm. Birth certificates should be produced at registration for funding purposes. All children 3 and above are funded through the local authority. If you cannot visit the nursery or the above times don't suit, please phone Josephine or Lynda on 473030. The purpose built nursery is located at St Peter's Parish Centre, Ardrossan.

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

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 (23rd April to 2nd 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.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS - MISSION STATEMENT. The Catholic Church in Scotland is concerned with the lives, safety, wholeness and well-being of each individual person within God's purpose for everyone. It seeks to safeguard the welfare of people of all ages who are involved in whatever capacity with the Church and its organisations. As a Church community, we accept that it is the responsibility of all of us, ordained, professed, paid and voluntary members, to work together to prevent the physical, sexual, emotional abuse or neglect of children, young people and vulnerable adults. Concerns may be raised with any of the parish care co-ordinators: Mrs Angela Dunbar (461473) and Mr Brian Burns (463717) or the National Office in Glasgow (0141 353 1177) or of course Fr Bell.

DAY AND TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
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)
MONDAY 10am	Ellen Trewin (RecDec) Maria Walker (Sp Int)
TUESDAY 10am	John Clarke (RecDec) Sr Margaret of Jesus (70 yrs in Carmelite Convent)
WEDNESDAY 10am	Jim Vernon (RecDec) Mabel Kean (Ann)
THURSDAY 10am	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
FRIDAY 10am	Tony Fraser (RecDec) Marion Callaghan (RecDec)
SATURDAY 4.30pm 31st January	Maida Murphy (RecDec)
SUNDAY 9.30am 1st February	William & Grace Lundie (Wedding Ann)
SUNDAY 11.30am	For the Parish

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Special Intentions: Sr Margaret of Jesus (70 yrs in Carmelite Convent), Maria Walker, 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, 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: Mabel Kean, David McGowan, Jack Price, Nessie Culley, John Pentleton, John Kearney, Martha & Charles Farrell, Charlie Farell, Joe Farrell, Gretta Taylor, Evelyn Clugston, Michael McKernon, Molly McCafferty (1st Ann).

Those who have died recently: Jennifer Ford, 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 Book of Jonah (3:1-5. 10)

4.30pm Vigil and 11.30am Masses Response:

Lord, make me know your ways.

9.30am Mass Response:

To you, O Lord, I lift my voice.

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (7:29-31)

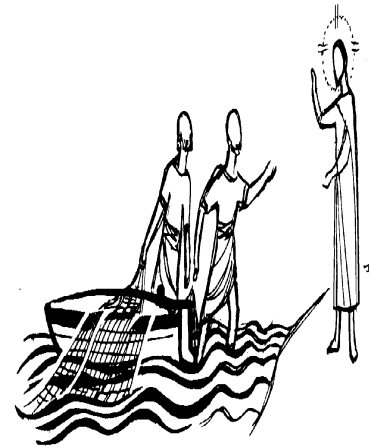
**Alleluia, alleluia!
The kingdom of God is close at hand;
believe the Good News.
Alleluia.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

(1:14-20)

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Next Week: 1st February 2015 —Fourth Sunday of the Year (B)
Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 94; 1Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28



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
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	
31st January At 4.30pm	Team 2	Susan Clarke Alex Tulloch Josh Watson	Anne Marie	Team 2	Eileen Henderson	
1st February At 9.30am	Team 7	Barbara Griffen Sam Taylor Paul Cowan	Yolanda	Team 2	Pat McMenamin	Eileen Coppolla
At 11.30am	Team 11	Betty Doherty Maureen Moffat Louise White	Teresa	Team 2	Alan Burns	Eileen Coppolla