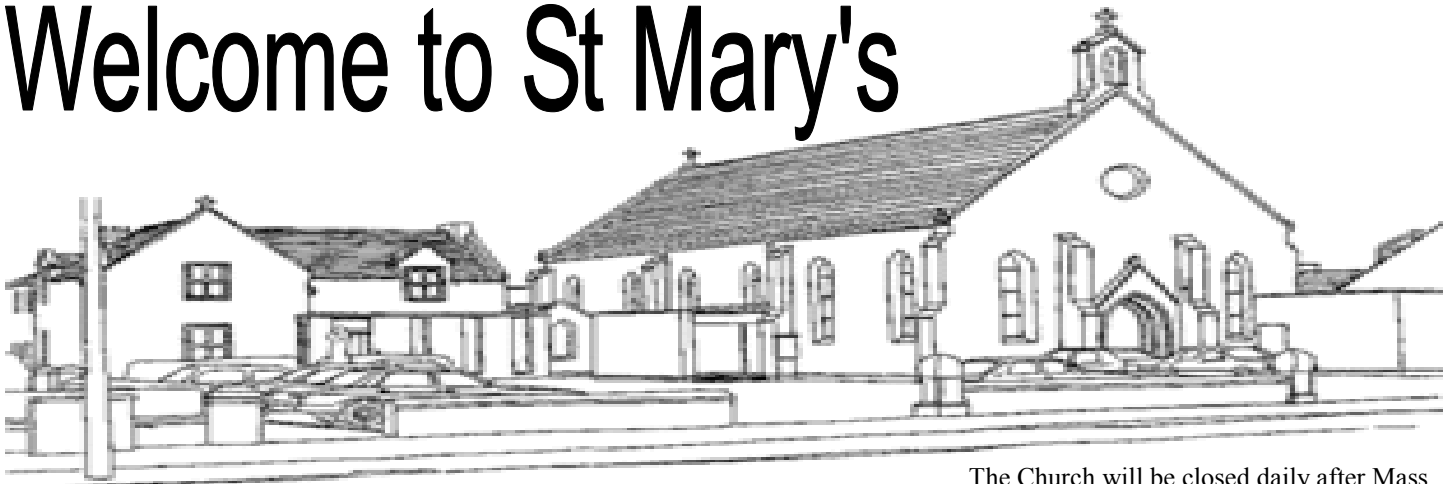


Welcome to St Mary's



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 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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

3rd MAY 2015

Sunday Masses	4.30pm Vigil, 9.30am and 11.30am.
Services this week	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 10am.
Morning Prayer (vol 2, 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 beeped.

WEEKLY COLLECTION. £1,234.65. Thank you all for your continued support. To make you aware we pay a diocesan tax of £2,124.87/month.

ASCENSION THURSDAY. Thursday 14th May is the Feast of the Ascension and is a Holy Day of Obligation for us all. Masses will be as follows : Wednesday evening Vigil at 7pm; Thursday at 9.30am in St Anthony's Primary School and 11am in St Mary's. Bishop Nolan will be Principal Celebrant both at the school and here in St Mary's at 11am. This will be the Bishop's first formal visit to our parish.

CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL STIRLING 2015. A Catholic Youth Festival for young people aged 14-25 at Stirling University from 30th July to 2nd August. Includes faith talks, prayer and worship, workshops, and social events. Cost £150 including accommodation, transport, food and much more! More information at www.gallowayyouth.org.uk and from Fr Stephen McGrattan at info@rccumnock.org.uk. Someone from the 2013 Stirling youth festival said: "I felt that Jesus and the Holy Spirit were among us. It moved some of us to tears."

BREAKFAST CLUB. The breakfast club will take place in the hall after 9.30am and 11.30am Masses today. Why not come along and enjoy a lovely roll and sausage washed down with a cuppa! A 1/3 of all proceeds will go towards Fr Keith.

SINGING THE MASS. A music workshop for parish musicians, cantors, and people who enjoy singing. The event will take place in Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Church, Girvan next Saturday (9th) from 2pm and conclude with the Vigil Mass at 7pm. During the afternoon, the group will have the opportunity to prepare, in some detail, music for the evening Mass. More information and booking forms available at www.gallowaymusic.net. The Mass of St Paul the Apostle by Christopher Walker will be taught in SATB parts and used at Mass.

EXPOSITION. Will take place on Sunday 17th May at 7pm in the Church.

P.P.C. Will meet again on Sunday 17th May at 7.30pm.

S.V.D.P. Would like to thank all parishioners for their wonderful generosity in donating toiletries for the Ozanum Centre for the homeless. They are also looking for a washing machine for a family in need. If you are able to help please contact them on 07796237890.

CARFIN. St Winin's Legion of Mary are organising a bus to Carfin on Sunday 24th May. If anyone is interested please contact Gerry Quirk on 01294 556680 for more details.

STELLA MARIS YOUTH CLUBS SPRING TEA FUNDRAISER. The committee wish to say a huge thanks to all who came into the hall and/or bought raffle tickets before/after all the Masses of last weekend to support the above and helped raise the grand sum of £445.50. The day was a great success due in large to the donated home baking, raffle prizes and the sale of Siobhan Gregory's tablet, Margaret Cunningham's treacle toffee and all the hard work put in by committee members, club helpers and club members throughout the day. Apologies if we have omitted anyone. A special thank you to Maureen and Alison Moffat for supervising the drawing of the raffle tickets on Sunday after 11.30 Mass. The winning numbers are: Green-36-40/56-60/146-150/206-210/241-245/366-370/381-385/436-440/481-485/646-650 and 706-710. Yellow-11-15/131-135/236-240/301-305/366-370/386-390/411-415/451-455/626-630 and 631-635. Prizes can be collected from Lorna in the Parish office.

NORTH AYRSHIRE TATTOO. North Ayrshire Music Service presents their annual Tattoo. Featuring the Irvine & Dreg-horn, Isle of Cumbrae Pipe Bands and musicians from Caledonian Piping Club. Also performing are the North Ayrshire Schools' Pipe Band, Concert Band, traditional music group 'Conneck', a Primary Schools' Choir and the NAC Workplace Choir. Special guests Templeton Highland Dancers. A fabulous evening celebrating Scotland's Musical heritage. The concert will take place on Friday 8th May 2015 at 7pm in Dalry Primary School. Tickets are on sale at the Harbour Arts Centre priced £7/£5 concession 01294 274059.

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 this coming Thursday (7th) at 6.30pm

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

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!

CLOTHING APPEAL IN AID OF CHERNOBYL CHILDREN'S LIFELINE.

We will have another group of 10 girls coming from the Ukraine to Ayrshire in June for 4 weeks. These children have been selected because they either have parents in the military fighting in the East of Ukraine or they have been displaced due to the war, so they all need our help more than ever. We are looking to make up a bag pack for each child for when they arrive so we are looking donations of new pyjamas, underwear, socks, leggings, t-shirts, to fit girls aged 9 – 14 we also need felt pens, coloured pencils a pencil case etc or any financial help would be greatly appreciated. If you have anything to donate or would be interested in finding out more about the charity please contact Michael or Lisa Lafferty on 461234 or 07813650411.

UPCOMING PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Charlie Gorman

19th September

31st October

Night at the movies in song—Martin Alered

26th June

See Stephen Cavani for tickets

CAKES BY MARGARET MARY. One day courses will be held in St Mary's Church Hall In Saltcoats. To book go online to the Paul Bradford Sugarcraft School and select attended course press tutor, Margaret's name will come up and select which Course you want or for more information phone 07526617600 . Facebook link is Rainbow C akes by Margaret McCreath.

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.

PARISH WEBSITE. www.rcsaltcoats.com. The latest news can be found on our webpage, including funeral information and other latest news. Please think of our environment and seriously consider receiving bulletin by email. If you would like to receive the bulletin by email please send a message to the parish office at mail@rcsaltcoats.com

PARISH BAR. Please consider using our parish hall more often for any future functions, i.e. wedding or birthday party or any other event . If you would like to book the hall please contact Trina on 467468 and for any bar information please contact our bar manager Caroline McKenna on 07825553243.

LOST/FOUND. Just another reminder that a purse and gold ring have been found in the church and handed into the parish office. Also, a single house key has been found and handed into the office. If you think any of these items belong to you please contact the parish office.

DAY AND TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
SATURDAY 2nd May 4.30pm	Dec members of Burns & Fitzpatrick Families (Ann)
SUNDAY 3rd May 9.30am	Teresa McEvoy (RIP Birthday)
SUNDAY 11.30am	For the Parish
MONDAY 10am	Bernard Devine (RecDec) Muriel Condren (RecDec) Sam Taylor (Sp Int)
TUESDAY 10am	Ann Monaghan (RecDec) Bill Hazelton (RecDec) Meg & Charlie Kelly (Ann)
THURSDAY 10am	Rose Hand (RecDec) Ann Monaghan (RecDec) Joseph O'Hanlon (RecDec)
FRIDAY 10am	Jim Vernon (RecDec) Jeannie Wylie (Ann) Cathie McConnell (Ann)
SATURDAY 9th May 4.30pm	Gerald Black (Ann) Joe Black (Ann)
SUNDAY 10th May 9.30am	James & Mary McEvoy (Ann)
SUNDAY 11.30am	For the Parish

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED. Can you spare an hour a week/month? Our church cleaners would love some extra help in keeping our church clean and tidy. If you would like to volunteer please just turn up after 10am mass on a Thursday, you will be made most welcome.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Special Intentions: Sam Taylor. All those affected by Cancer and undergoing Hospital tests and procedures.

Those who are sick: Mary McKenzie, Theresa Kean, Madeleine Thekés-Franssens, Fr Eddie McGhee, Ian Hamilton, Leslie Meechan, Amie McCann, Anthony DaPrato, Andrew Campbell, Jennifer Tawse, Mrs Kelly, Susan Garland, Liam Chalmers, Marion Mullen, Matt Lynch, Irene Smith, Anne Hand and Alex Doherty.

Those who have an anniversary: Meg & Charlie Kelly, James & Mary McEvoy, Gerald Black, Joe Black, Jean Monan, Fergie Dorrian, Hugh Donald and Mary McLaughlin (1st Ann).

Those who have died recently: Cathy & Harry Quinn, Peter Lynn (Cork), Frank McAtee, Iain Wilson (Uddingston), Ina Robertson, Catherine Anne Reid, Catherine Telford, Irene Clayton (Bearsden), Pat Houston, Ellen Keane, Mary Abram, Frances MacKinnon (Troon), Sheena Gilmour, Moira (McGuire) Downes (America), Peter Chambers, David Kean(Stevenston), Billy Barbour, Ian Hamilton, Annie Currie, Catherine Quinn, Esther Nolan, Mary Gribben (Cumbernauld) and Kathleen Hanson.



The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (9:26-31)

All Masses Response to Psalm 21:
You, Lord are my praise in the great assembly.

A reading from the First Letter of St John (3:18-24)

Alleluia, alleluia!
Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.
Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.
Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
 (15:1-8)



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Next Week: 10th May 2015 : Sixth Sunday of Easter Year (B)
Acts 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48; Psalm 97; 1John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

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
2nd May At 4.30pm	Team 3	Betty Doherty Clare McIlhatton Luke Gregory	Anne Marie	Team 7	Danny McGoogan	
3rd May At 9.30am	Team 5	Agnes Forbes George Jackson Michael Murray	Yolanda	Team 7	Charles Monaghan	Eileen Coppolla
At 11.30am	Team 12	Maureen Moffat Lewis Docherty Margaret Millar	Angela	Team 7	Stephen McLaughlin	
9th May At 4.30pm	Team 1	Michelle de Valencia Alex Tulloch Luke Gregory	Margaret	Team 7	Eileen Henderson	
10th May At 9.30am	Team 6	Tommy Murphy Martin McAllister Sam Taylor	Andrea	Team 7	Pat McMenamin	Kathleen Chapman
At 11.30am	Team 10	RoseAnn Mitchell Jennifer Northcote Betty Doherty	Muriel	Team 7	Martin Cosgrove	