



**14<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter, A.**

RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles

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Masses during the Week

Tuesday: 10.00am. Communion Service.

Wednesday: 10.00a.m. Requiem Mass for William Davie.

Thursday: 10.00a.m. in St. Mun's primary school and 7.00p.m. Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Holyday of Obligation.

Friday: 10.00a.m.

Saturday 6.00p.m. Vigil Mass.

Sunday: 9.00a.m. and 11.00a.m.

**Confessions:** Saturday at 5.30p.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wednesday after Mass.

**Rosary:** After Thursday morning Mass in our Lady's chapel.

**Fr. Philip** takes up his new appointment this weekend as Parish priest in service to the parishes of Lochgilphead/Inveraray and Taynuilt/Dalmally. We thank God for Fr. Philip's ministry among us in Our Lady and St. Mun's and we pray that God will continue to bless him in his ministry. A date will be arranged for Fr. Philip to return to the parish for a presentation.

Please pray for Ava and Emma who will make their **First Holy Communion** today, Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> May during the 11.00a.m. Mass in our parish. We pray that God may continue to bless them on their journey of faith.

**The Pastoral Council** will resume again with a meeting in the parish hall on Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> May at 7.00p.m. The present members of the Parish Council are: Margaret Reilly Wood, Ruth McManus, Isabel Goodfellow, Jim Maclean, Helen Carty, Phil Breslin. The primary purpose and responsibility of the Council is to guide and determine the direction of the parish by providing leadership, leading pastoral planning, initiating and directing policies which flow out of the parish's mission. Council members care about parish life in other communities of the Diocese, share in the concerns of the Church universal, and strive to bring the Gospel message to all people and places within the parish. Furthermore, to work co-operatively with the Parish Priest and parishioners in all areas of parish life to assist the entire parish community to achieve the mission of the Church in the local community. The Council is accountable to the parish community for its work and will give high priority to ensuring regular communication with the parish via the parish bulletin.

Next Sunday is **World Communications Day**. A special collection will be taken up for the apostolate of communications.

As part of **St. Mun's Primary School** Laudato Si programme, the children are going to make a mural of caring for our planet. They will use recycled bottle tops to make the mural. Please hand in any bottle tops to the collection point in the school reception.

**Journeying with Mary – Prayer Service in Preparation for the Synod:** Carfin Grotto - Feast of the Visitation Wednesday 31st May 2023 7pm. At the invitation of Pope Francis the Bishops' Conference of Scotland is hosting an hour of prayer at the National Marian Shrine, Carfin, for the success of the Synod. All are most welcome. Personal reflections will be shared on four aspects of Mary's life interspersed with silence, hymns and the Rosary while pilgrims journey between various Marian stations. Tea etc will be available at 8pm. The Prayer Service will be livestreamed on [beingCatholic.com](http://beingCatholic.com)

There will be a **singing practice** in the church hall on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00p.m. All welcome.

A request has come in for assistance with **baby clothes and a cot**. If any parishioner is able to help in this regard, please contact Fr. Roddy.

**The Craft and Chest, Heart, Stroke groups** are hosting a Car Boot Sale in our car park on Saturday, 27th May , from 10-12 noon . A good opportunity for a profitable spring clean ..... or a chance to find a few treasures!

**Rev. David Railton**, Rector of Holy Trinity Church, has organised a prayer walk and he has extends an invitation to all parishioners. The walk will start outside the Grammar school on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 10.30am and end up at the Boat house. Please see the posters on the church noticeboard for more details.

**Parish walking Group:** Saturday morning at 11.00a.m. meeting in the church car-park. All welcome to come along and meet fellow parishioners and have tea/coffee/cake after the walk.

There will be **Tea/Coffee** in the Church hall after 11a.m. Mass on Sunday. All welcome.

#### A Reflection:

“It’s a chilly day by the seaside, far too windy for my comfort. But the gulls don’t seem to mind the wind. In fact, they seem to enjoy it. I watch them flying about: they go with it, they go against it, they soar into the sky, they plunge back to earth. All the time they are using the wind, they are availing of its power. And I reflect on how we, the disciples of Jesus, are so easily blown off course by the winds of adversity. Lord, send us the Holy Spirit who will enable us to turn the hard and easy to our advantage, so that everything that happens to us may bear us along the road to your kingdom”. (Fr. Flor McCarthy, SDB).