



Third Sunday of the Year B, 2024

RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles

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Charity registration number - SC002876

Masses during the Week:

Tuesday: 10.00am.

Wednesday: 10.00am. St. Francis de Sales

Thursday: 11.00am. Requiem Mass for Benjamin (Ben) Gallacher.

Friday: 10.00am. Communion service.

Saturday: 6pm. Vigil Mass.

Sunday: 9am. and 11am.

Confessions: Saturday at 5.30pm.

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday after Mass.

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

Introduction to the Scripture Readings:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 — Jonah's mission to the people of Nineveh is described, and their immediate response to his call to repentance.

I Corinthians 7:29-31 — Paul wrote this letter, believing that the end of the world wasn't far away. So he asked people to concentrate their whole energies on the things of the spirit.

Mark 1:14-20 — For most of this year, we will read from Mark's Gospel, the first to be written and the shortest. We begin the journey through that Gospel today, hearing Jesus' message of repentance and his calling of the first disciples.

St. Mark's account of Jesus' first day in ministry is a busy one. First, Jesus proclaims that the Kingdom of God is at hand, and declares that this is good news. Second, he calls his first disciples. The pattern for discipleship is laid down. Jesus is always on the move, and while moving, he sees those he will call, and calls them. Finally, disciples follow him, leaving aside what they are doing, making Jesus number one priority.

On the **St. Mun's Primary school noticeboard** at the back of the church, there are a list of dates showing forthcoming events. On Wednesday of this week, 24th January there will be a "Burns celebration" at 1.30pm in the school hall. Parishioners are very welcome to come along.

There will be a **meeting for parents** whose children are due to receive the Sacraments of The Eucharist (Primary 4) and Confirmation (Primary 7) this year. The meeting for Confirmations will be in the church hall on Wednesday, 21st February at 6.30pm. The meeting for First Holy Communions will be in the church hall on Wednesday, 28th February at 6.30pm.

The special collection for the work of the **Justice and Peace Commission** which was taken up last weekend raised £365. Thank you to parishioners. For more issues of social justice, and to keep up to date with current campaigns, follow Justice and Peace Scotland on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram or check out the website, www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk

A **car key** was found on the parish grounds. If you have lost a car key, or know someone who has, please get in touch with Fr. Roddy.

Parish walking Group: Saturday morning at 11am, meeting in the church car-park. All welcome to come along and meet fellow parishioners and have tea/coffee/cake after the walk.

Teas/Coffee are available in the Church hall after 11am. Mass on Sunday. All welcome.

Reflection:

“Hope is knowing that there is love. It is trust in tomorrow. It is falling asleep and waking again when the sun rises. In the midst of a gale at sea, it is to discover land. In the eyes of another, it is to see that someone understands you. As long as there is still hope there will also be prayer. And God will be holding you in his hands”.

“Be blessed in this day and always.....May the shells on the beach remind you that treasures arrive every day in the form of simple things”.

