



**Fourth Sunday of Easter B, 2024**

**21st April, 2024**

RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles

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### **Masses during the Week**

Tuesday: 10.00am. Communion Service.

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Thursday: 10.00a.m. St. Mark.

Friday: 11.00a.m. Requiem Mass for Millie Gallacher.

Saturday 6.00p.m. Vigil.

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

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

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wednesday after morning Mass.

**Rosary:** After Mass on Thursday morning.

### **Introduction to the Scripture Readings:**

*Acts 2:14, 36-41* Just like last week, St Peter's words are found in the first two readings. The first contains another part of his speech on Pentecost day, and the second is again part of one of his letters.

*1 Peter 2:20-25* Here Peter calls Christ the shepherd and guardian of our souls.

*John 10:1-10* Jesus describes himself as the gate of the sheepfold, who comes that we might have life to the full.

Jesus, the Good Shepherd knows his sheep. Jesus is close enough to die for them, both those already within his fold, plus those who will ultimately form one flock with them. In another way, Peter "the rock" proclaims Jesus as the overarching keystone. Love binds all together in safety.

For the parishioners who have signed up for the **Parish Retreat** in the Schoenstatt Centre, a meeting will be held in the church hall at 7.00p.m. on Wednesday, 8th May to discuss arrangements.

Please pray for the young people from our parish who will be **Confirmed** by Bishop Brian during the 6.00p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> May. May it be a time of blessing for them, their parents and the whole parish family. There will be a meeting and rehearsal for the candidates and their parents in the church on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May at 6.30p.m.

Our **church organ** was recently serviced and the main and sub power supply was replaced. To help with the cost of this, a special collection was held last weekend and £455 was raised. Thank you.

Our **Parish Quiz Night** held on Friday was a great success and was well supported by parishioners and friends. Thank you to the organisers and to those who came along. The Quiz Night was the first parish fundraising event organised by the new fundraising committee. The newly formed fundraising committee has plans to host a series of fundraising events and we give them all the support and encouragement that we can. Every person in the parish has his/her role to play and every person can offer his/her gifts and talents in service.

There will be a pop-up **Songs of Praise** at Glendaruel Village Hall on Saturday 18th May, 2pm - 4pm, with refreshments. All welcome.

**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.

There will be a **Car Boot Sale** on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> April in St. Mun's Church Carpark between 11am and 1pm organised by the Craft Group and the Chest, Heart and Stroke Club volunteers. More details on the poster at the back of the church and on the hall noticeboard. Money raised will be shared equally between both groups.

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

Reflection:

“Mrs. Jones hurried to the pharmacy to pick up her medication. When she got back to her car, she found her keys locked inside. Mrs. Jones found an old coat hanger on the ground. She looked at it and said, “I don't know how to use this”. She bowed her head and asked God to send her some help. Within five minutes a bearded man on an old motorcycle pulled up. He got off his cycle and asked if he could help. She said, “My husband is sick. I've locked my keys in my car. I must get home. Please, can you use this hanger to unlock my car?” He said, “Sure”, and he walked over to the car, and in less than a minute the car was open. She hugged the man (Pre-Covid!) and through her tears she said, “Thank you God, for sending me such a very nice man”. The man heard her little prayer and replied, “Madam, I am not a very good man. I just got out of prison yesterday. I was in prison for car theft”. Mrs. Jones hugged the man again, sobbing and said, “Thank you God.....You even sent me a professional!!!” (The title of this story is, “When God sends help, don't ask questions”.)

**Draft Itinerary for Proposed Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May – Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2025. Dunoon, Skye and Dornie parishes.**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

- Make own travel arrangements to Edinburgh airport
- Depart Edinburgh 0720h Arrive Bordeaux 1035h
- Coach transfer from Bordeaux Airport to our hotel in Lourdes (Approx. 3 hours, 30 minutes journey time)

**Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

- Coach transfer from Lourdes to Bordeaux hotel

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

- Coach transfer from Bordeaux hotel to Bordeaux airport
- Depart Bordeaux 0545h Arrive Edinburgh 0655h
- Make own travel arrangements from Edinburgh airport

**\*Luggage Allowance** - Small hand luggage which must fit under the seat in front and 20kg hold luggage.

**Accommodation**

- 6 nights FULL BOARD accommodation at 4\* hotel in Lourdes which comprises of dinner, lunch, bed and breakfast.
- 1 night HALF BOARD in Hotel near Bordeaux airport on return journey. (Final night in Bordeaux due to next day early flight departure.)

**\*Flight prices not yet known but total cost of pilgrimage likely to be in region of £1200.00 - £1300.00. To book a place or for further information, please sign your name on the sheet in the church porch.**