

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time B, 2024 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles Fr Roddy McAuley, Parish Priest Our Lady and St. Mun's, Dunoon. Tel: 01369 702125. Email: <u>dunoon@rcdai.org.uk</u> Website: stmunsdunoon.org Charity registration number - SC002876

## Masses during the Week

10am St. Monica. Mass in St. Mun's Primary school. All welcome.
10am St. Augustine
10am The Passion of St. John the Baptist.
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9am and 11am

**Confessions**: Saturday at 5.30pm **Eucharistic Adoration**: Wednesday after morning Mass. **Rosary**: After Mass on Thursday morning.

## Introduction to the Scripture Readings:

*Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18* — Given a choice by Joshua, the people of Israel decide to serve the Lord, thus renewing the covenant.

*Ephesians 5:25-32* St Paul uses images from the husband-wife relationship, as it was viewed in his time, to represent Christ's love for the Church.

*John 6:60-69* — After hearing Jesus describe himself as the bread of life, some of the disciples stopped following him, but Peter spoke for the loyalty of those who remained.

The **Care of Creation Office** of the Bishops' Conference has organised a National Conference for this year's Season of Creation which runs from  $1^{st}$  September  $-4^{th}$  October 2024. The Conference will take place on Saturday  $7^{th}$  September 2024, from 10am - 3pm in St. Margaret's Parish Hall, Raploch, Stirling.

**Fr. Philip** has invited parishioners to join the Lochgilphead and Taynuilt parishioners for a Mass followed by blessing of a Grotto and Stations of the Cross in the grounds of St. Margaret's Church, Lochgilphead on Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> August at 10am. There will be a BBQ and refreshments afterwards. This will be an ideal opportunity to support Fr. Philip and show our appreciation for his ministry within our Diocese.

There will be a Special Collection this weekend for the **Sick and Retired Priests** of the Diocese. "Presently the Diocese helps support six priests who ministered both in parishes throughout our Diocese as well as serving the Church in national and world-wide roles. The budget for this year is  $\pm 106,014$  and we are grateful for last year's Collection which raised  $\pm 9,420.27$ . We thank you for any donation you can give this year". Bishop Brian

**Wiktoria Dulska**, one of our servers, enjoyed a visit to Tanzania recently, along with some fellow pupils from Dunoon Grammar school. She will give a talk and slide presentation on Tanzania in the parish hall on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm. Please come along and support Wiktoria if you can.

## LOOKING FOR A LATE CATHOLIC GAP YEAR?

Do you know anybody who is Catholic, aged around 18 to 22 and still not got anything lined up for the year ahead? Castlerigg Manor (the Diocese of Lancaster retreat centre, located in the Lake District) are still looking for young people to join their youth ministry in internship scheme. The scheme provides comprehensive training and experience as well as accommodation and food for the year, and a stipend each week. Anyone who is interested can check out castleriggmanor.com >> join the team, or Email Jack Regan – director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

**Carfin Lourdes Grotto**: National Pilgrimage on Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 3pm and National Pilgrimage to Whithorn on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> August. More details on the posters on the church notice board.

**Second Hand September comes to Dunoon**: Oxfam & partners are looking for ten teams to take part in a makeover fashion challenge culminating at a fashion show at the Queen's Hall on 25th September. Could there be a St. Mun's team? Details are to be found on the Dunoon Community Development Trust website. Go to "Second Hand September £20 fashion challenge" to register interest by 2nd September.

**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/Coffees: Available in the Church Hall after 11am Mass on Sunday. All welcome.

**Pause for thought**: Let us always remember that in human affairs there is no possibility of success without continual development, and that not to walk is to fall. (Frederic Ozanam).