



**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time B, 2024**

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### Masses during the Week

Tuesday: 10.00am

Wednesday: 10.00am

Thursday: 10.00am

Friday: 10.00am Solemnity of All Saints. Holy Day of Obligation. St. Mun's Primary School.  
7.00pm.

Saturday: 10.00am Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed.  
6.00pm Vigil.

Sunday: 9.00 am and 11am

**Confessions:** Saturday at 5.30pm

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

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

### Introduction to the Scripture Readings:

*Jeremiah 31:7-9* — A vision of a time when all God's people are gathered together, with everyone sharing the gift of new sight

*Hebrews 5:1-6* — Christ is our high priest, but he also knows our weakness.

*Mark 10:46-52* — The blind beggar Bartimaeus is healed by Jesus.

**November** is the month of the **Holy Souls** when we pray especially for our Faithful Departed. In praying for the dead we highlight our faith in the power of God and we hold up the life of the person who has died so as to let God take care of things. There is still a vital flow of life between them and us. Love is stronger than the grave. November lists are available from the Church for parishioners to note down the names of loved one who have died. These will be placed in the Holy Souls box on the altar and Masses during the month of November will be offered for our deceased brothers and sisters.

The **World Mission Sunday** special collection last weekend raised £625 from our parish. Your donations to Missio Scotland help to support the missionary work of the Church and is a real blessing for the missions. Please continue to pray for missionaries and for the people to whom they bring the Good News of Jesus.

Kim Leadbeater MP is introducing a bill to introduce **assisted suicide**, which will be voted on by MPs on the **29 November**. We know that assisted suicide laws in other jurisdictions have had devastating consequences for the poor, disabled and marginalised. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a huge effort to lobby MPs. Please contact your MP by visiting [www.livesworthliving.org.uk](http://www.livesworthliving.org.uk)

The **Lectionary**, the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The process began with the Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued with all the other liturgical texts. The new Lectionary will use the *English Standard Version - Catholic Edition* of the Bible and the *Abbey Psalter* and will be used from the first Sunday of Advent 2024. The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, biblical scholarship, and to provide a text for use in liturgical setting.

After long and scholarly discussions, it was last year the Bishops approved the translation of the bible to be used in Catholic Churches. For over fifty years we have been using the *Jerusalem Translation*, so what has become very familiar will sound a little different from Advent 2024.

This means we have to buy new books, £640 a set, which have to be of good quality, a high standard and

durable as they contain the Word of God and will be used everyday at Holy Mass. Thank you to a generous parishioner who has gifted money to the parish to purchase a set.

**Lourdes Pilgrimage:** Thank you to the parishioners who have signed up for the pilgrimage. Alba Tours have sent letters of Confirmation which can be picked up from Fr. Roddy in the sacristy after Mass.

There will be a **Parish social night /fundraiser** in St. Mun's Hall on Friday, 22nd November from 8pm until 11pm with **Paula MacAskill** from Fort William. Paula performed in our church hall the last two years and the evenings were a great success. Paula is an award winning singer/musician of Scottish, country and Irish songs. Tickets cost £10 and will be a BYOB with nibbles available. Prizes for the Raffle will be appreciated.

**\*\*\* Tickets for the evening will be available soon.**

The next **Parish Council** meeting will be held on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm in St. Mun's hall.

**Franciscan Missionaries of Mary:** An e-mail was received from Sr. Wiesia Kunikiewicz, a Franciscan Missionary of Mary based in Glasgow. She is gathering information about the sisters time in Dunoon for a book about the sisters work in Scotland. If parishioners could assist with this in any way, either information or photographs, this would be greatly appreciated. It was in 1969 that Canon MacLean invited the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary to start a community in Dunoon and they were here until 1982 approximately. Sr. Wiesia Kunikiewicz can be contacted at [communications@fmmuk.org](mailto:communications@fmmuk.org)

**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

A Bishop was asked to open and bless a brand new maternity ward. After a short speech, the Bishop explained that he always liked to find an appropriate Bible verse to suit the occasion. He said, "I wasn't sure what to choose this time, but then I read 1 Corinthians 15:51 and I'm sure you'll all agree that it is most appropriate: "We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed".