



Easter Sunday, C.

20th April, 2025

RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles

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Masses during the Week

Tuesday: 10am

Wednesday: 10am

Thursday: 10am

Friday: 10am

Saturday: 6.00pm

Easter Sunday: 9am and 11am

Confessions: Saturday at 5.30pm

Rosary: After Mass on Thursday morning.

Eucharistic Adoration: After Mass on Wednesday morning.

Scripture Readings:

Acts 10:34, 37-43 — Peter sums up the whole Paschal Mystery – the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Colossians 3:1-4 — We too can share the glory of Christ.

Gospel: John 20:1-9 — In John's description of the resurrection, Mary Magdalene is the first to witness the empty tomb.

A **Happy and Holy Easter** to all parishioners, visitors and friends! Today we celebrate the very heart of the Christian faith, the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thank you to all those who worked hard in preparing the church for Easter and to all who took an active part in the Holy Week liturgies: musicians, readers, servers, passkeepers, flower arrangers, church cleaners, and all who contribute in any way to the life of the Parish throughout the year. Your support is much appreciated.

Lourdes Pilgrimage: Joint Dunoon and Portree Parishes – Holy Year Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Thursday 8th May – Thursday 15th May. There will be a meeting in the Parish House on Tuesday, 29th April at 6.00pm to go over arrangements.

Please pray for **Abigail Ledsom** and **Liam Cruickshank** who will be Confirmed and receive their First Holy Communion during the Vigil Mass (Abigail) and 9.00am Mass (Liam) next weekend. May God continue to bless them both in their journey of faith and may we encourage them and show them example.

Children's Liturgy: At a parish meeting held in January to discuss youth participation, re-starting Children's Liturgy was agreed upon and a number of people at the meeting expressed their willingness to help with the organisation of this. There will be a meeting for those who are keen to help, on Wednesday, 30th April at 7pm in the church hall. Barbara Liddell, our parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator will be at the meeting to apply for PVG (protecting vulnerable group) certificates for the volunteers. Children's Liturgy will only be successful if we have willing volunteers.....and children. Please help if you can.

Starting on **Sunday, 4th May**, there will be two weekend Masses in the parish instead of three. There will be a Saturday Vigil Mass at 6.00pm and a Sunday Mass at 10.00am. Not only will this bring us in line with all the parishes in the Diocese, but it will also bring more people together under one roof. New rotas for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers will be made up.

Combined Sunday Masses – 4th May 2025 (10am): Volunteers are required to become part of a rota system for both the **Offertory Procession** and also, separately, for the **Offertory Collections** (monies) during the forthcoming 10am Mass, which begins as from Sunday, 4th May, 2025.

If any parishioner wishes to volunteer for either of these Rotas, can they please print their name and contact telephone details on the appropriate sheet, situated in the Church Porch over the coming four weeks. If enough parishioners come forward, a rota will be produced and handed out to those kindly volunteering. Readers and Eucharistic ministers will be contacted too before a new will be produced. If anyone has any questions, please either contact Fr. Roddy or Jim MacLean (07932 490260).

First Holy Communions: Five children from our parish have begun preparations to make their First Holy Communion on Sunday, 22nd June during the 10am Mass. Please pray for the children who will take this important step in their journey of faith.

Parishioners and visitors sometimes ask for the Bank details of the parish so that they can set up a Standing Order. Your generosity to our Parish and the charities which we support are much appreciated. Bank details of the parish. Account Name: RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles – Dunoon Mission. Sort Code: 83-91-25
Account Number: 65627554.

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.

A Little Thought

As we go through life, we all experience little deaths. We get a foretaste of death when we live in bitterness, loneliness, sadness and despair. In times like these the world closes in on us, and we seem to have one foot in the grave. But we also experience little resurrections, when we know love, acceptance and forgiveness; when we open our hearts to others and to life and the world opens up and we emerge from the tomb. Lord, may the splendour of your resurrection scatter the shadows of death, and enable us to walk in radiant hope towards the kingdom where there are no more shattered hopes or broken dreams. (Fr. Flor McCarthy, SDB).

‘Success is getting what you want, happiness is liking what you get’. (Anon).