

## Fifth Sunday of Easter, C. 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2025

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## Masses during the Week

Tuesday: 10.00am Wednesday: 10.00am Thursday: 10.00am Friday: 10.00am

Saturday: 6.00pm Sunday: 10.00am

**Confessions**: Saturday at 5.30pm

Rosary: After Mass on Thursday morning.

Eucharistic Adoration: After Mass on Wednesday morning.

## **Scripture Readings:**

Acts 14:21-27 Paul and Barnabas complete their missionary journey, encouraging their new converts to persevere.

Apocalypse 21: 1-5 In the new Jerusalem awaiting believers, there will be no more mourning or sadness. John 13: 31-35 Jesus instructs his followers to love one another.

Congratulations to **Andrew Lochrie and Lauren Davie** who were married in the Church today (Saturday) May God bless them in a long and happy marriage together.

**Children's Liturgy**: Thank you to those who came along to the recent meeting to help with the organisation of the Children's Liturgy in the Parish. Barbara Liddell, our parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator was at the meeting and she will apply for PVG (protecting vulnerable group) certificates for the volunteers. Children's Liturgy will only be successful with willing volunteers.....and children. Children's Liturgy will start in the parish on **Sunday**, 7<sup>th</sup> **September**.

**First Holy Communions:** Five children from our parish prepare to make their First Holy Communion on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June during the 10.00am Mass. Please pray for the children who will take this important step in their journey of faith.

There will be a **Parish Council** meeting in the parish hall on Wednesday of this week (21<sup>st</sup>) at 7.00pm.

A warm welcome to **Fr David Connor** who will cover in the parish next weekend while Fr Roddy celebrates the marriage of a friend in Paisley.

**Parish Beetle Drive**: Come along and enjoy a fund raising parish beetle drive on Friday **30th of May, 7 for 7.30pm**. BYOB, snacks and a light supper included in the ticket price of £5. Prize for overall winner and for the best decorated beetle. Raffle prizes will be gratefully received. Tickets on sale at the door and from the back of the church from 10th of May.

**Dunoon and Rural Art Workshop** hold an Art Exhibition in our church hall on Sunday between 2pm and 4pm and tomorrow Monday between 10am and 4pm.

**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.

The **Liturgy Works** weekends will resume again on 19<sup>th</sup> until 21<sup>st</sup> September in the Conforti Institute, Coatbridge. This is a weekend of liturgy-themed workshops, spiritual talks, liturgical singing, prayer and get together with people from around the parishes of Argyll and the Isles. Please see the poster on the church notice board. More details from 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/Coffees**: Available in the Church Hall after 10am Mass on Sunday. All welcome.

The Holy Candle Board: A new board has been placed at the back of the church called, 'The Holiday Candle Board'. The idea behind the board is that when a parishioner goes on holiday, the parishioner goes into a church. lights a candle and prays for all the parishioners in our Parish, especially those who are sick, housebound or undergoing any kind of trial. The parishioner then sends a postcard to the Parish from their holiday place saying that they have lit a candle and said a prayer for parishioners. The postcard will then be pinned on the board.

It's a simple gesture but a kind one.

Someone has been in touch offering two good quality/hardly used **bunk beds** free to anyone who could use them. Please see Fr Roddy if you and interested.

**Pause for Thought**: If you enter the world knowing you are loved and you leave it knowing the same, everything in between can be dealt with.