

## Sixth Sunday of Easter, C. 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2025

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## Masses during the Week

10.00am Tuesday: Wednesday: 10.00am

Thursday: 10.00am and 7.00pm Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Holyday of Obligation.

Friday: 10.00am

10.00am Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Saturday:

6.00pm Vigil

Sunday: 10.00am

**Confessions**: Saturday at 5.30pm

Rosary: After Mass on Thursday morning.

Eucharistic Adoration: After Mass on Wednesday morning.

## **Scripture Readings:**

Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29 An early controversy in the Church concerned whether Jewish observances should bind those who were not Jewish by birth: today's reading describes how this dispute was settled.

Apocalypse 21: 10-14, 22-23 In John's vision, the light of God's presence in heaven is so bright that every other light seems pale in comparison.

John 14: 23-29 The Lord speaks of the gifts available to believers – the gift of peace, the gift of the Spirit.

**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.

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

Next Sunday is World Communications Day. A collection will be taken up for the apostolate of communications.

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.

**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.

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**: We always seem to be praying for peace: peace in our homes, our community, and especially in areas of conflict around the world. It is a good thing to do. But true peace is not just an absence of war or a stalemate. True peace is the presence of God in a situation. Jesus offers us his peace, which is peace of a superior quality because he knows we need it as we face the world and all its troubles.