

## Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year – C 16th November, 2025

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## Masses during the Week

Tuesday: 10am Wednesday: 10am Thursday: 10am

Friday: 10am Presentation 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:**

*Malachi 3: 19-20* Those who uphold God's name need have nothing to fear when the world ends. 2 *Thessalonians 3: 7-12* A condemnation of laziness.

Luke 21: 5-19 St Luke writes about the end of the world and the second coming of Christ, with words of reassurance for disciples of the Lord.

If any parishioner would like **Mass celebrated in their home**, please see Fr. Roddy. A house Mass is an ideal setting for a small group of people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to enjoy a time of sharing afterwards. It would be up to the person hosting the Mass to invite a small number of family/relations/neighbours/friends and to have a simple tea/coffee/biscuit afterwards if they so wish.

**Bishop Brian** was due to visit the parish this weekend for his annual parish visit but he will cover for Fr James McNeil in the Cathedral in Oban as he recovers from surgery. Please pray for Fr James that he may make a full recovery.

Next Sunday we have our annual Second Collection to support the work of the Scottish Catholic Education service through the Bishops conference of Scotland. Forming our young people in the Faith is very important to us. The Scottish Catholic Education Service (SCES) is the Church's official Agency for supporting the education of our youth in Scotland. SCES directly supports our diocesan Catholic Primary Schools. We have no Catholic High Schools but SCES successfully works with Local Authorities and local communities to improve the quality of what is offered to our young people.

The Bingo evening previously cancelled due to bad weather in early October has now been re-scheduled for Friday, 5th December, 2025, 7pm for 7.30pm start in the Parish Hall. All tickets already bought for the original date are still valid for 5th December. For those that may still wish to come along and don't have a ticket, then tickets will go on sale as from Vigil Mass on 22nd November onwards (£5 each). Come along, give it a go, enjoy the evening and have a laugh! B.Y.O.B., Raffle, Nibbles and Teas/Coffees and Cake during interval.

**Cowal Pop-Up Songs of Praise:** Lochgoilhead Village Hall, PA248AQ on Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2-3pm. All welcome.

**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 Mass on Sunday. All welcome.

## Reflection:

Suicide in the Trenches; Siegfried Sassoon.

I knew a simple soldier boy Who grinned at life in empty joy, Slept soundly through the lonesome dark, And whistled early with the lark.

In winter trenches, cowed and glum, With crumps and lice and lack of rum, He put a bullet through his brain. No one spoke of him again.

You smug-faced crowds with kindling eye Who cheer when soldier lads march by, Sneak home and pray you'll never know The hell where youth and laughter go.