



**Twenty Fifth Sunday of the Year A**  
**20<sup>th</sup> September, 2026**

RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles

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**Masses during the Week**

Tuesday: 10am

Wednesday: 10am Mass in Primary school. All welcome.

Thursday: 10am

Friday: 10am

Saturday: 6pm Vigil

Sunday: 10am

**Confessions:** Saturday at 5.30pm

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

**Eucharistic Adoration:** After Mass on Wednesday morning.

**Scripture Readings:**

*Isaiah 55:6-9* — Both the first reading and Gospel remind us that God's generosity exceeds our expectations. As high as the heavens are above the earth are God's ways different from ours, proclaims Isaiah.

*Philippians 1:20-24, 27* — Paul tells us that Christ means everything to him.

*Matthew 20:1-16* — Jesus uses a story to show that God makes individual arrangements with each of his servants.

**The famous parable** about the vineyard of the Lord, tells of people engaged to work in the vineyard at different times of the day. The agreed wage: one denarius – the minimum wage of the time. Those who worked longer expected more, but the denarius is a symbol of what sustains life: God's gift, not something earned. What kind of owner would pay less than enough to live on? God gives life itself as gift, not as wage.

During October and November Bishop Brian will host a series of nine weekly Zoom meetings with all the priests and two parishioners from each parish to discern various areas of mission where we can find the path that the Holy Spirit wants for us as a Diocese. Fr Roddy has asked Iain Templeton and Robert Stewart to represent our parish along with himself.

Last weekend the special collection for the **retired priests** of our Diocese raised £710. Thanks to parishioners. We give thanks for the many years of service our retired priests they have given to the church in all parts of the diocese.

A warm welcome into the church to **Ikembe Nedunwaike**, son of Chinedu and Chioma, who was baptised last Sunday during Mass. May the Lord continue to bless him in his journey of faith.

**The Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF)** is launching **Young Caritas Scotland** which is a new movement for young adults who want to put their faith into action, meet likeminded people from the global church, and help build a better world. See the poster on the bulletin board at the back of the church.

The **Craft Group** are hosting a MacMillan Coffee morning this Tuesday 22nd of September from 10-12 in the parish hall. Please come along and support this very worthwhile event. They will also be holding their fifth annual Auction on Saturday, 10 th October with all money raised once again going to Mary's Meals - the past four auctions have raised a round £5000 in total - we would welcome any items for consideration as 'lots'.

The **Dunoon Chest, Heart and Stroke** club celebrates its twenty-fifth year affiliation with Chest, Heart and Stroke Scotland this year. New members, volunteers and bakers are always welcome . For further information please contact Karen (07745 287683) or Jennifer (07502 297643)

The show, “Across the Universe”, which is a celebration of “**The Beatles**” is coming to the Queen’s Hall on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 7.30pm until 10.00pm. It has been suggested that some parishioners might like to go as a group and meet up before the show. Tickets are likely to sell quickly. If you are interested in going along, tickets can be organised. Please sign your name on the sheet at the back of the church to show your interest.

The Season of Creation runs from 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 October (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year.

This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer.

We give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth our common home.

**Teas/Coffees:** Available in the Church Hall after Mass on Sunday. All welcome.