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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord [C]

10th April 2022

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Peter in Chains: Saturday
between 4.45pm-5.15pm.

St. Bride's: Friday
between 11am-12noon
And by request.

**St. Peter in Chains,
and St. Bride's,
are Parishes
in the RC Diocese
of Galloway.
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PLEASE TAKE YOUR COPY OF THE
BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU OR PASS
IT ON TO SOMEONE ELSE. *THANKS!*

Mustard Seeds

✠ Resumes of Apostles

To: Jesus, Son of Joseph
Woodcrafter's Carpenter Shop
Nazareth 25922
From: Jordan Management Consultants

Dear Sir:

Thank you for submitting the resumes of the twelve men you have picked for managerial positions in your new organization. All of them have now taken our battery of tests; and we have not only run the results through our computer, but also arranged personal interviews for each of them with our psychologist and vocational aptitude consultant. The profiles of all tests are included, and you will want to study each of them carefully. As part of our service, we make some general comments for your guidance, much as an auditor will include some general statements. This is given as a result of staff consultation, and comes without any additional fee. It is the staff opinion that most of your nominees are lacking in background, education and vocational aptitude for the type of enterprise you are undertaking. They do not have the team concept. We would recommend that you continue your search for persons of experience in managerial ability and proven capability.

Simon Peter is emotionally unstable and given to fits of temper. Andrew has absolutely no qualities of leadership. The two brothers, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, place personal interest above company loyalty. Thomas demonstrates a questioning attitude that would tend to undermine morale. We feel that it is our duty to tell you that Matthew had been blacklisted by the Greater Jerusalem Better Business Bureau; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus definitely have radical leanings, and they both registered a high score on the manic-depressive scale.

One of the candidates, however, shows great potential. He is a man of ability and resourcefulness, meets people well, has a keen business mind, and has contacts in high places. He is highly motivated, ambitious, and responsible. We recommend Judas Iscariot as your controller and right-hand man. All of the other profiles are self-explanatory.

We wish you every success in your new venture.

Sincerely,
Jordan Management Consultants

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Holy Week [C] 2022

| St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i> | | <i>Fr. Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Fr. Gerry Hamill (Retired)</i> | www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com <i>Canon Martin Poland</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula</i> <i>and Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i> | |
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| Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed Masses may be subject to change | | St Bride's | St. John's | St. Mary's |
| Saturday 9 th April | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Emilia Sallie (A), Anne McLaren (RD)</i> | | | Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L) |
| Sunday 10 th April | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Mass at 10.30am <i>Offered for our parishes</i> | Mass at 12.15pm | Mass at 11.30am (L) | Mass at 10am (L) |
| Holy Monday 11 th April | Weekday in Holy Week Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Mary Lane (RD), Mary Fraser (A), Martha Farrell (A)</i> | Holy Week Prayer Service At 7pm | | |
| Holy Tuesday 12 th April | Weekday in Holy Week Stations of the Cross 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Phyllis Poole (A), Anne & Andrew Murphy (A)</i> | Adoration 9.30am Mass at 10am | | Funeral Mass at 10am (L) Theresa McCann |
| Spy Wednesday 13 th April | Weekday in Holy Week Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Debbie Roy (RD), McDermott & McCarroll Families (A)</i> Prayer Service (Ardrossan Churches) at 7pm | | Mass at 10am | |
| Holy Thursday 14 th April | Mass of the Lord's Supper Mass at 7pm (Washing of Feet) | Mass at 7pm | | Mass at 7pm (L) |
| Good Friday 15 th April | The Lord's Passion Good Friday Liturgy at 3pm (Veneration of the Cross) (Day of Fasting and Abstinence) | Service at 3pm | Service at 3pm | |
| Holy Saturday 16 th April | Easter Solemn Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord Mass at 8.30pm (Liturgy of Light) | Easter Vigil Mass at 7pm | Morning Prayer at 10am Easter Vigil Mass at 8.30pm | NO 4.30pm VIGIL MASS |

The Holy Week of Tension

If we were real-time followers of Jesus and getting ready to go up with him to Jerusalem, we would soon be in for the shock of our lives. First, however, there would be the triumphant entry into the holy city and the joyous shouts of welcome from the crowds. That might lull us into thinking that Our Lord was about to establish an earthly kingdom and send the Romans packing. But the winds would change quickly. Shouts of "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord" would within days give way to shouts of "Crucify him! Crucify him!" The abrupt shift was devastating to his disciples. But not to Our Lord, who knew well the fickleness of human beings. "Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well" (John 2:24-25). One lesson of Holy Week is not to put our trust in the praise of the world. The second, and more uplifting lesson, is that God's love and mercy endures despite the hardness of so many hearts. Good Friday would not have the last word in the Gospel. The drama of Holy Week is a microcosm of the tension in our own lives. We teeter between praising Our Lord with our prayers and sacrifices and turning on him with our sinfulness. To live the coming Holy Week well, it will help to focus on Our Lord's sufferings and to recall that he went through all of this for each of us. May we never forget that beyond the Cross will be an empty tomb.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Janet Brown, Jim Boyle, Harry Sammons.

✚ Those who have died recently:

Debbie Roy, Mary Lane, Anne McLaren.

✚ Those who died at this time of Year:

Patricia Brady 2019, Andrew Coldwell 1994, Father John Collins 2002, Donald Cullinane 2009, Frank Kelly 1994, Michael Mulligan 1982, Billy Smith 2009, David McLaren 2006, Winnie McMillan 2021, Jim Roxburgh 2014, Father Gabriel Kigozi 2011, Helen Theresa Magee 2000, George Monaghan 2004, Phyllis Poole 2015, Father David Barr 2012, Thomas Clarke 2019, Martha Lynas 2009, Jessie Stevens 2000, David Walsh 1962, Janie Clark 2010, James McKibben 2002, Margaret Spencer 1954, Ann McEvoy 1980, John McLaughlin 2020, Kathleen O'Donnell 2011, Francis Joseph Smith 1999, Jean Taylor 2006, Cliff Atkey 2000, Arthur Jenkins 2015, Francis McEvoy junior, Jean Robertson 2009, Mary Ann Walsh 1955.

St. Bride's & St. Peter's Notices

- ▶ **HOLY WEEK MEDITATION ON HOLY WEDNESDAY** St Peter's will host a Holy Week Meditation organised by the Ardrossan Churches on Holy Wednesday, 13th April at 7pm. Please come along and support this event.
- ▶ **EASTER CELEBRATION CARDS** Please take some Easter Cards along with the details of the Holy Week and Easter Celebrations. The cards can be easily kept in purses, handbags and wallets and passed to others to invite them to join us.
- ▶ **THANK YOU** Jim McEwan wishes to thank Fr Duncan, Carly McKnight, and Alan for services on the Internment of Ann's ashes at West Kilbride Cemetery on Mon 4th April. Also Peter McCluskie and Janette Ferguson for attendance and Spiritual Comfort. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for their intentions.
- ▶ **ST PETER'S COLLECTION ENVELOPES** The new collection envelopes for 2022-2023 are now available from the stall. Many thanks for your continued support, it is much appreciated.
- ▶ **EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR UKRAINE** Please give as generously as you can to our appeal for Ukraine. There are designated collection buckets around the Church at St Peter's. Thank you for your support and generosity!
- ▶ **ST. BRIDE'S** Readers are required for Holy Week services. Please add your name to the list at the back of the church if you can help out at any point of the week.

FAMILY DAY FUN

Family Easter Day - Easter Monday, 18th April from 2-4pm - All families welcome for Easter fun, crafts and Egg Hunt! It will take place in St. Peter's Church Hall. Booking is not necessary but let us know if you're interested in attending or helping by contacting ardrossan@gallowaydiocese.org.uk.



We hope you can join us for community fun, celebrating the joy of the risen Christ!



THE CHRISM MASS

St. Mary's, Saltcoats are running a small coach to the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, 12th April. The coach will be leaving from St. Mary's at 6.30pm. To book, please phone Lorna on **Monday** morning on 01294 463461.

Preparation Packs - now available!

We now have as a Parish a Baptism Preparation Pack and a Marriage Preparation Pack on our website. It contains all the basic information needed for Baptism and Weddings. If you know of any family planning a Baptism soon or a Wedding, please refer them to the website so that they can download the relevant information.

Catholic Trivia - Did you know?

"Doles" - The origin of doles in England is connected with funerals. After a Requiem Mass a feast was shared. This was to soften grief for widows and orphans and to make food available to the needy. More often than not the deceased willed the distribution of a dole. These doles were sometimes in the form of money or clothing.

"Bowing to the Speaker" - When a member of Parliament rises to speak in the House he bows in the direction of the Speaker. This is not out of respect for that office. Parliament first met in the Chapel of St Stephen in Westminster Palace, and the practice of bowing in the direction of the altar continues to this day.

Just for a Laugh...

Marty, a little boy, was in church one Easter Sunday with his mother Doris, when he started feeling sick. 'Mummy,' he inquired, 'can we leave now?' 'No,' his mother replied, 'the service isn't over yet.' 'Well, I think I'm about to throw up.' Marty announced. 'Then go out of the front door and around to the back of the church and throw up behind a bush.' said Doris. After about sixty seconds, Marty returned to his pew, alongside his mother. 'Did you throw up?' Marty's Mum asked quietly. 'Yes,' Marty answered, embarrassed. 'How could you have gone all the way to the back of the church and returned so quickly?' Doris demanded. 'I didn't have to go out of the church, Mummy. They have a box next to the front door that says, "For the Sick".'

Life is but a Weaving

"My life is but a weaving
Between my God and me.
I cannot choose the colours
He weaveth steadily.

Of't times He weaveth sorrow;
And I in foolish pride
Forget He sees the upper
And I the underside.

Not 'til the loom is silent
And the shuttles cease to fly
Will God unroll the canvas
And reveal the reason why.

The dark threads are as needful
In the weaver's skilful hand
As the threads of gold and silver
In the pattern He has planned
He knows, He loves, He cares;
Nothing this truth can dim.
He gives the very best to those
Who leave the choice to Him."

The Magnificat Magazine available online

The digital Holy Week and April issues of Magnificat are now available, free, at the following link: www.magnificat.com/april. This gives us all the information, prayers and readings for the Holy Week and Easter.

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Standing Orders for March 2022: £3998.00

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