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Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) [A]

16th April 2023

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Mustard Seeds

✠ They Won't Let Me in Either

It was a beautiful Sunday morning. People were filling the church to its full capacity! As they entered, each were given a bulletin filled with announcements, topic of today's sermon, what songs they would sing and who to pray for. At the end of the line stood an older man. His clothes were filthy and you could tell that he had not bathed in days. His face was covered with whiskers, for he had not shaved for a very long time. When he reached the usher, he removed his tattered old brown hat in respect. His hair was long, dirty, and a tangled mess. He had no shoes on his feet, and wore only soiled black socks to cover the sores upon his feet. The usher looked at him turning up his nose at the old man and said, "Uh, I'm sorry sir, but I'm afraid we can't let you in. You will distract the congregation and we don't allow anyone to disrupt our Mass. I'm afraid you'll have to leave." The old man looked down at himself and with a puzzled look on his face, he placed his old brown hat back upon his head and turned to leave. He was sad as he loved to hear the choir sing praises to the Lord. He loved to watch the little children get up in front of the church to sing their little songs. He carried in his pocket a small worn out prayer book and loved to see if the priest preached a passage from the Bible that he enjoyed. But he was respectful, and didn't want to cause any commotion, so he hung down his head and walked back down the steps of the big brick church. He sat down on the brick wall near the edge of the church yard and strained to listen through closed doors and windows to the singing going on in the church. Oh how he wished he could be inside with all the others. A few minutes had passed by when all of a sudden a younger man came up behind him and sat down near him. He asked the old man what he was doing? He answered, "I was going to go to church today, but they thought I was too filthy, my clothes too old and worn, and they were afraid I would disrupt their Mass. Sorry, I didn't introduce myself. My name is George." The two men shook hands, and George couldn't help but notice that this man had long hair like his. He wore a piece of cloth draped over his body tied with a royal purple sash. He had



sandals on his feet, now covered with dust and dirt. The stranger touched George's shoulder, and said: "George, don't feel bad because they won't let you in. My name is Jesus, and I've been trying to get into this same church for years -- they won't let me in either."

2nd Week in Eastertide 2023 [A]

St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula</i> <i>& Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i> Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed Masses may be subject to change.		<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>& Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i>	
		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 15 th April	Second Sunday of Easter (A) Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Frank MacDuff (A), Louise MacDuff (A), Annie & Andrew Murphy (A)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
Sunday 16 th April	Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) Mass at 10.30am <i>Offered for our Parishes</i>	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 17 th April	2nd Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Anne Middleton (SI), Emilia Sallie (A), Charlie Macgregor (RD)</i>			
Tuesday 18 th April	2nd Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Fr. Duncan McVicar (B), Eddie Body (B)</i>	Mass at 10am		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 19 th April	2nd Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Cathie McHugh (RD), Alex McPherson (A), Margaret Collins (SI)</i>		Eucharistic Service at 10am	Easter Mass in St Anthony's PS at 9.30am
Thursday 20 th April	2nd Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Patrick Roe (MM), Rhona Moffat (RD), George Neumayr (RD)</i>			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 21 st April	2nd Week in Eastertide Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am, Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Duncan Lyon (A), Veronica McTeer (B), Phyllis Poole (A)</i> Exposition and Benediction 10.30am	Mass at 10am	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 22 nd April	Third Sunday of Easter (A) Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for John Maher (A), David Kelly (RD), Philomena & Patrick Doherty (A)</i>			First Eucharist 10am & 12 Noon Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
 I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
 born of the Father before all ages.
 God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
 begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
 through him all things were made.
 For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
 (all bow)
 and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
 and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
 he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day
 in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
 and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
 I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
 and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Harry Sammons, Peter Ross, Edna McKinnon,
 Rose Bowers, Roseann Bannan, Craig Laughlan.*

✚ Those who have died recently:

*James McLaughlan, Rhona Moffat, George Neumayr,
 Charlie MacGregor, Cathie McHugh (Glasgow).*

✚ Those who died at this time of Year:

*Cliff Atkey 2000, Arthur Jenkins 2015,
 Robert Tracy 2004, Francis McEvoy junior,
 Jean Robertson 2009, James Welsh 1997,
 Mary Ann Walsh 1955, John O'Rourke 1993,
 Francis Coulter 1976, Marie McCarroll 1982,
 Rosina McPeake, William McPeake,
 Annie Paton 2009, William Main 2007,
 Charles Spencer 1969, Richard Hunter 2010,
 Marie Louise McCarroll 1982, Iris Gribben 2019,
 James McCool 2009, Margaret Lesley Cahill 2018,
 Jane Tumilty 1983, Margaret Kelly 2011,
 Agnes McCann 1970, Wendy McGowan 2019,
 Mary McKay 1980, Rosina Millar 1999,
 Noelle Collins 2007, Bridget McLellan 1995,
 Francis Docherty 2015, Philomena Doherty 2001,
 Duncan Lyon 2013, Ida Narducci 2008,
 Ellen Smith 2009, Charles John McMillan 2015,
 Adam Whiston 1968, Father Peter Dolan 2013,
 Margaret Grear 1994.*

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

► **ST BRIDE'S DONATIONS** Thank you very much for £285 collected as part of our Lenten Alms giving. It has been suggested that we give it to the children of the Lockhart Campus, Auchenhavie who have additional support needs. If anyone still has a donation, please bring it to Mass on Sunday. St Bride's have also received a kind donation of £100, *Thank you!*

► **WEST KILBRIDE WELLBEING EVENT** The clinical team at Ayrshire Medical Group, would like to invite you to join us on Thursday 27th April at West Kilbride Village Hall 12-2pm for a Practice Wellbeing Day. This will be an opportunity for you to come along and meet us, the new members of our team, as well as some familiar faces, over a cup of tea. We also hope to take this time to focus on wellbeing. We will have visitors from our local community offering information and support regarding their services, as well as representatives from the practice, who will have information about general wellbeing. Over the coming months we hope to meet many more of you, from the community. Good quality patient care is at the forefront of what we hope to achieve at West Kilbride, and we would like to hear from you all as to how best we can offer this to you. We hope to continue to offer continuity of care to all our patients, guiding you to the right care in the right place, every time.

► **KNIT AND KNATTER** Meetings will start again on Wednesday the 19th of April.

Vocations Sunday Coming Soon.

Sunday, 30th April is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfil the Lord's instruction to, "Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2).

Feature Film "love and Mercy: Faustina" available NOW

We have a few copies of the incredible true story of St Faustina and the message of Divine Mercy in DVD Format. The film is a docudrama on the Divine Mercy and the mission of Saint Faustina. It presents unknown facts and recently disclosed documents with scientific analyses showing all the truth about the topic in a new light. The film shows how this amazing painting was painted and how God's mercy was spread around the world. A must see in the second week of Easter. For sale in the Parish Shop for only £6.50.

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Second Collection (Building Fund): £551.23

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ST. BRIDE'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Cash Collection 9th April 2023: £240.00

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Many Thanks for your support and generosity!

Just for a laugh...



Pope Francis' Easter 'Urbi et Orbi' Address to the City and the World

"On this day we proclaim that he, the Lord of our life, is "the resurrection and the life" of the world (cf. Jn 11:25). Today is Easter, the Pasch, a word that means "passage," for in Jesus the decisive passage of humanity has been made: the passage from death to life, from sin to grace, from fear to confidence, from desolation to communion in him. In him, the Lord of time and history, I would like to say to everyone, with heartfelt joy, happy Easter to all! May this Easter be for each of you, dear brothers and sisters, and in particular for the sick and the poor, the elderly and those experiencing moments of trial and weariness, a passage from affliction to consolation. We are not alone: Jesus, the Living One, is with us, forever. Let the Church and the world rejoice, for today our hopes no longer come up against the wall of death, for the Lord has built us a bridge to life. Yes, brothers and sisters, at Easter the destiny of the world was changed, and on this day, which also coincides with the most probable date of Christ's resurrection, we can rejoice to celebrate, by pure grace, the most important and beautiful day of history... The Gospels speak of the haste with which, on the morning of Easter, the women "ran to tell the disciples" (Mt 28:8). Mary Magdalene then "ran and went to Simon Peter" (Jn 20:2), while John and Peter himself then "ran together" (cf. v. 4) to the place where Jesus had been buried. Later, on the evening of Easter, after meeting the risen Lord on the road to Emmaus, two disciples "set out without delay" (cf. Lk 24:33) and travelled several miles, uphill and in the dark, spurred on by the irrepressible joy of Easter that burned in their hearts (cf. v. 32). The same joy that led Peter, on the shore of the Lake of Galilee, after catching sight of the risen Jesus, to leave the boat with the others, to throw himself immediately into the water and to swim quickly towards him (cf. Jn 21:7). At Easter, then, the journey quickens and becomes a race, since humanity now sees the goal of its journey, sees the meaning of its destiny, Jesus Christ, and is called to make haste to meet him, who is the hope of the world... Brothers, sisters, may we rediscover the enjoyment of the journey, quicken the heartbeat of hope and experience a foretaste of the beauty of heaven! Today, let us summon the energy to advance in goodness towards Goodness itself, which never disappoints. If, as one of the ancient Fathers once wrote, "the greatest sin is not to believe in the power of the resurrection" (SAINT ISAAC OF NINEVEH, Sermones Ascetici, I, 5), today let us believe and profess: "Christ is truly risen from the dead!" (Sequence). We believe in you, Lord Jesus. We believe that, with you, hope is reborn and the journey continues. May you, the Lord of life, encourage us on our journey and repeat to us, as you did to the disciples on the evening of Easter: "Peace be with you! Peace be with you! Peace be with you!" (Jn 19:21).

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