

MASS TEXT

Sunday Cycle A :: Weekday Cycle 1
Divine Office:
Vol. 2 Week 2 with season

FIRST READING:

Genesis 12: 1-4

PSALM 32:

May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.

SECOND READING:

II Timothy 1:8-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you O Christ,
King of eternal glory (x2)

From the bright cloud the Father's
voice was heard: 'This is my Son,
the Beloved. Listen to Him.'

Praise to you O Christ,
King of eternal glory (x2)

GOSPEL: Matthew 17: 1-9

PREFACE: *Of the Day*

EUCH. PRAYER: *Reconciliation II*

**Sunday 23rd March is the
Third Sunday of Lent (A)**

OT Reading: Exodus 17: 3-7

Psalms: Ps. 94

NT Reading:

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel:

John 4: 5-15, 19-26, 39-42



SCIAF LENTEN JOURNEY

As you know this year's SCIAF appeal is focussed on the their work in Colombia with the Emberá people. This people manage to eat once a day but through the support of SCIAF they are being helped to grow rice and bananas and dig fish ponds so that not only will they have food to eat but produce to sell in the local markets. Your support really does make a difference.

If you have not done so already pick up a Lenten Pack as you leave church today and supporting the WEE BOX BIG CHANGE campaign you will allow SCIAF to continue to change people's lives for the better.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (A) 16th March 2014

St Teresa's Parish Community

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Our parish deacon is: Deacon Willie Hiddleston

A parish of the RC Diocese of Galloway. Charity Number: SC 010576.

The sick and housebound would appreciate a copy of the bulletin - if you can please pop one through their door. Thank you.



SUNDAY MASSES:

11.30am here at St Teresa's

Sunday Mass also takes place as follows:

Saturday vigil: 6pm St Luke's, Moffat and 6pm in St Andrew's, Dumfries;
Sundays: 9.30am in Holy Trinity, Lockerbie; 10am St Andrew's, Dumfries;
12 noon St Columba's, Annan.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Mon, Tues, Thurs and Sat at 10am.
Wed at 7.30am & Frid at 10am in St Andrew's

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Saturdays 10.30am-10.55am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 10.30am-10.55am

The Rosary: After 10am service on Tuesdays

The Ladies Guild: Meet on Tuesdays at 7.30pm in the Hall.

The Parish Hall: To book the hall please contact Mrs Peggy Marshall on 261373

WEEKLY COLLECTION: £624.22 Thank you for your weekly support.
The SVDP conference thank you for February's donations: £176.00

Baptisms can be booked by contacting Fr Jim directly

Weddings normally require six months notice-please contact Fr Jim.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS COMING WEEK:

Sunday: Rina Pellegrini (RecDec);
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Thurs: Denis McConville (RecDec); Sat: Eddie Lavery RIP (B'day remembrance).

We remember all those who are sick at home, in hospital or in care.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Mr Denis Mc Conville RIP

who has sadly passed away.

We send our condolences and prayers to his family and friends at this sad time. Denis's funeral service will take place here at St Teresa's on Thursday 20th March at 12noon followed by final commendation at Roucan Loch Crematorium.

May he rest in peace.

LENT WITH POPE FRANCIS. On Friday 28th March, at 5pm Pope Francis will preside at a Lenten Reconciliation Service in St Peter's Basilica, Rome. This will then continue in the different parishes of Rome for a 24 hour period. He has invited the whole church to gather with him in their locality around the same time. Here at St Teresa's there will be Adoration in the church during which a priest will be available to hear confessions (from 5.15pm till 10.45pm). The period of prayer will begin at 5pm with evening prayer (which will be repeated on each hour ie: 6pm, 7pm [Stations of the Cross], 8pm, 9pm and 10pm) concluding at 10.50pm with Night Prayer and the blessing. The Holy father has asked us to create this space for us to celebrate the Lord's mercy and forgiveness-please take some time out of your Friday evening to join us for a time. All welcome.

AT THE END OF MASS. During Lent we are concluding Mass with the Blessing followed by a final piece of organ music rather than a hymn. Please allow Father and the servers to process normally through the church before leaving yourself. Our hope is this will create a more prayerful environment in the church after Mass for this holy season. Thank you for your co-operation.

MASS FOR THE SICK. A sincere thank you to all who supported this lovely occasion last week here in the church and hall. It was such an uplifting celebration of the Lord's healing and grace when 38 parishioners received the Sacrament of the Sick and many others the blessing of carers and all of us a share in the grace of the moment.

EASTER VIGIL. Please mark 9pm on Saturday 19th April on your calendar today so that you don't miss the great Easter Vigil. If it is a ceremony you haven't attended yet or not been to for a while-please put it back in your diary and make it a Lenten promise to attend this year. Thank you.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS. On the Fridays during Lent the Stations of the Cross will take place in the church at 7pm.

PARISH CHOIR. To prepare for Holy Week and Easter the choir will meet in the Church on Wednesday evenings during Lent from 7pm till 8.30pm. Members, old and new are very welcome.

GROW IN FAITH COURSE (RCIA). The next gathering of the adult faith development group will take place from 7.30pm till 9pm in Holy Trinity Church Hall, Lockerbie this coming Thursday (20th March). If you would like a lift there cars will leave St Teresa's church car-park at 7pm, to book a seat call Deacon Willie on 264424 or Paula (Cochrane) on 249034. Please come along any time you can and support this joint effort-all welcome.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES. Those parishioners who make use of the envelope system to make their weekly offering can pick-up their new set in the parish shop from today. Those who gift aid their offerings must use the weekly envelope or a SO. If you would like a set of envelopes but do not yet have one Theresa or Jeanette in the shop will be glad to help.

LENTEN LUNCHESES. The annual Lenten Lunches will take place in St John's Church Hall, Lovers' Walk here in the town on the Fridays of Lent to support Christian Aid, £3 for adults, £1.50 for children (for soup, roll, tea and coffee) from 12 noon till 2pm. Our own St Teresa's group hosts it on 11th April. Donations for the table top sale will be most welcome (Toiletries etc, cash donation and especially Home Baking). Call Angela on 261053 for more info or to offer help.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Reconciliation Service at 7pm on 31st March.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: The annual Chrism Mass takes place at 7.30pm on Tuesday 15th April in St Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr.

THE ABABA PROJECT. Thank you for last week's contribution to our on-going support of our Ethiopian mission. It raised £289.12.

SCRIPTURE GROUP. All are welcome to join this group in St Conal's, Kirkconnel on Wednesday evenings from 7pm till 8.30pm to reflect and pray on the Sunday scripture readings and support one another through intercessory prayer and enjoy a cuppa together. All welcome.

LENTEN PLEDGE. The Pioneer Total Abstinence Association invite you to join them in their Lenten pledge promising in honour of the Sacred Heart and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary to abstain from all intoxicating drink until Easter Sunday. A pledge certificate can be picked up in the church porch.

THE AA SUPPORT GROUP. This group meets every Friday evening in the Baptistry room in the church at 7.30pm.