

MASS TEXT

Sunday Cycle A :: Weekday Cycle 1
Divine Office:
Vol. 2 Week 3 with season

CALL TO SILENCE:

Praise we now the Lord our God,
in silence we adore you.

FIRST READING: Exodus 17: 3-7

PSALM 94:

O that today you would listen to his
voice: "Harden not your hearts."

SECOND READING:

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

Lord, you are really the Saviour
of the world; give me the living water,
so that I may never get thirsty.

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

GOSPEL:

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

PREFACE: *Of the Day*

EUCH. PRAYER: *Reconciliation I*

**Sunday 26th March is the
Fourth Sunday of Lent (A)**

OT Reading: I Sam. 16:1,6-7,10-13.

Psalm: Ps. 23

NT Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9: 5-41

SCIAF

Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund

SCIAF SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next Sunday (26th March, the
4th Sunday in Lent) is the annual
special collection for SCIAF. Please
be assured that every penny you give
will benefit directly the poorest people
in the world through the work of
Caritas, the international Catholic
Charity that SCIAF partners.

The collection this year becomes
even more urgent considering the
terrible news from East Africa,
including Ethiopia and South Sudan.
SCIAF is already assisting but with
predictions from the United Nations
that over 20 million people face
starvation your assistance is greatly
needed-prayers and donations.

Gift Aid envelopes are available
from today for this much needed
help to SCIAF.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

19th March 2017

St Teresa's Parish Community

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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:

Vigil: 6pm in St Luke's, Moffat (DG10 9DS) also 6pm in St Andrew's, Dumfries (DG1 2JL);

Sundays: 9.30am in Holy Trinity, Lockerbie (DG11 2DA); 10am St Andrew's, Dumfries;

12 noon St Columba's, Annan (DG12 6JG)

SERVICES THIS WEEK

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Saturdays 10.30am till 10.55am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 10.30am till 11am.

The Rosary:

Recited at 9.45am on Tuesdays

Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent at 7pm.

The Ladies Guild: Meetings take place on Tuesdays in the Hall at 7.30pm.

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION: £826.30 Thank you.

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: Eddy Lavery (17th Ann);

Monday: No service today; Tuesday: Anne & John Bradley (RecDec);

Thursday: Sp.Int; Saturday: Sp.Int.

For the sick, at home, in hospital or in care and for all the Holy Souls.

ST PATRICK'S CELEBRATIONS. Our day-trip in honour of St Patrick takes place tomorrow (20th) walking in the footsteps of St Patrick with a visit to Downpatrick to visit the grave of the Saint and see his first Church in Ireland. Depart 8.30am and return 11.30pm (approximately). The cost for the coach and ferry travel and entrance to St Patrick's Centre is £35 per adult and £25 for a child under 16 years of age. Please pay Deacon Willie for the trip today -cash or cheque. (Cheques should be made payable to "St Teresa's"). He'll be in the Baptistry after Mass. A flyer with the days' itinerary is now available. Please note that because of this trip there are no services in St Teresa's in the morning or evening but there is a 10am Mass at St Andrew's instead.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL. Our next meeting takes place on Thursday 30th March (please note this change of date) in the Parish Hall from 7pm till 8.30pm. All parishioners are more than welcome. An agenda is available to day as are the past minutes.

NEW WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES. Your new set of envelopes are available to pick-up from today in the Shop. At the same time all tax-payers will be asked to sign a new Gift Aid form. If you do not yet have a set of envelopes please speak with Teresa in the Shop and she will happily give you a set. Thank you.

THE ABABA PROJECT. The Charity Shop week has gone so well and we can't thank you all enough for the marvellous help and support you all gave to this venture. Beatrice the co-ordinator of this great initiative is full of praise for the great effort, time and energy given by so many of you during the course of the week. The grand total will be announced next week.

LOGS FOR A GOOD HOME. Our neighbours to the rear conducted some tree surgery this past week and have kindly offered all the logs you can see in the rear carpark (and over the wall) free to a good home. So if you burn logs at home feel free to help yourself today or come back later/another day when the car park is quieter and load up then. Please note you help yourself at your own risk.

YOUTH-LED MASS. The young people of the parish will next lead us in our mass on 23rd April. They will meet after 11.30am Mass next Sunday (26th) for half-an-hour to discuss ideas.

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

THE SATURDAY CLUB. The children next gather this coming Saturday (25th March) in the Baptistry from 11.15am till 1.15pm to continue their Sacramental preparation for their first holy communion day on Sunday 18th June here in St Teresa's.

BINGO NIGHT. The social committee of our parish primary school, St Teresa's, invite you to this fun night to raise funds for the school in the school hall this coming Thursday (23rd) from 7pm. All welcome-just buy your tickets at the door.

COFFEE MORNING. The primary school are also holding a coffee morning in the school on Wednesday 29th March in aid of their TEACH child whom they sponsor in Ethiopia as part of the parish Ababa Project. It takes place from 9am till 11.30am. Donations of homebaking/raffle prizes will be most welcome. For more info call the school office on 01387 255732.

YOUTH FOR LOURDES. Our group of young people preparing for the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes in July this year continue their fund raising activities by inviting you to sponsor them in climbing the 570 metre high Criffel. It will take place on Saturday 1st April. If you wish to join them for the climb you will be most welcome. They gather in Ardwell Carpark on the far side of New Abbey at 9.45am heading off at 10am. The walk is about 3½ miles and will take approximately 3 hours to complete.

LENTEN LUNCHESES. The Lenten Lunches continue to take place in St John's Church Hall, Lovers' Walk on the Fridays of Lent to support Christian Aid, £3.50 for adults, £2 for children (for soup, roll, tea and coffee) from 12 noon till 1.30pm. Call Carole on 01387 267623 for more info or to offer help.

JUMBLE SALE. The next sale run by the Ladies Guild is in the parish hall on Saturday 25th March from 2pm.

MARIST 200 BICENTENARY CELEBRATIONS. St Joseph's College will be celebrating Mass in the College Chapel on Sunday 28th May to mark this Bicentenary (time tbc). The mass will be followed by lunch in the Easterbrook Hall with a display of memorabilia of the life and times of the College community. The College are hoping you will loan to them your pictures and other items to use in this display. Pick-up a flyer from the church porch to see how to participate or contact the school office on 01387 252893.

AA SUPPORT GROUP. A welcome always awaits you on Friday evenings from 7.30pm in the Baptistry Room in the Church. Just pop-in, the kettle is always on.