

MASS TEXT

Sunday Cycle B :: Weekday Cycle 2
Divine Office: Vol. 1 Week 1

In Advent the Church prepares to celebrate the Nativity, when we recall Christ's first coming. As we remember so also we look forward in faith to his Second Coming at the end of time. It is a period of JOYFUL hope. Purple is the liturgical colour, the Gloria is omitted from the Liturgy and greenery replaces flowers for decoration.

CALL TO SILENCE:

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

OT READING:

Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1. 3-8.

Psalm 79:

God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

NT READING: I Corinthians 1:3-9.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark 13: 33-37

PREFACE: *Advent I*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER: //

**Sunday 10th December is the
Second Sunday of Advent (B)**

OT Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5; 9-11.

Psalm: 84

NT Reading: II Peter 3:8-14

Gospel: Mark 1: 1-8



GIFTS APPEAL

Thank you for keeping those who are imprisoned, those who work in prison's and the families of those incarcerated in your prayers these past few weeks.

Once again you are invited to provide a gift for a child whose dad is in prison. Fr Jim would appreciate a donation of any non-perishable gift you could give for the dad's in our local prison to give to their children this Christmas time.

Gifts are needed for boys & girls (aged 0-16) and can be handed in (unwrapped please) to the Sacristy any-time. (please do not provide toy weapons or phones of any kind) Many thanks to the great response already.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)

3rd December 2017

St Teresa's Parish Community

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(Please only call Deacon Willie Mon-Frid office hours unless an emergency)
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

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

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Usually Saturdays 10.30am-11am

The Rosary: Recited on Tuesdays before the 10am service

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

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION: £831.59. Thank you for your weekly support.
The SVDP thank you for the £200 collected during November.

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: Margaret Budyn (Ann);

Monday: Bill McLaughlin (1st Ann); Tuesday: Deanna Cunningham (RecDec);
Thursday: Dermot McCulloch (RecDec); Saturday: Dermot McCulloch (RecDec).

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

Please pray for the soul of

Marc James Smith

who has sadly passed away.

We send our sincere condolences and prayers to his family and friends at this difficult time for them all. Marc's funeral service will take place at Roucan Loch Crematorium on Wednesday (6th December) at 12noon.

May he rest in peace.

THE SATURDAY CLUB. The Rite of Presentation takes place at the 11.30am Mass today. The children seek your prayers as they mark this occasion as part of their ongoing preparation for the Sacraments. They next meet in the Baptistry Room here in the Church on Saturday 9th December from 11.15am till 1.15pm. This regular club is for all the children of the parish in p.3 and p.4 (whichever school they attend) preparing to receive the Sacraments this coming year.

SENIORS CHRISTMAS DINNER. This annual event will take place in the Parish Hall on Friday 8th December 6pm for a 6.30pm start finishing at 9.30pm. To assist the organisers with numbers etc, today is the final opportunity to sign-up at the back of church. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TRIP. A trip to Gretna Gateway and Houghton Hall Garden Centre, Carlisle takes place this coming Wednesday (6th). It will leave the Church at 11am and return not later than 5pm (passengers will agree a return time). Sign-up at the back of Church today-even if you went along last week you're still welcome to go along again. The trip is free on a first come basis. Our thanks to Des for organising this trip.

EARLY MORNING SUNDAY MASS. If anyone would like to avail themselves of the earlier mass at 9.30am in Holy Trinity, Lockerbie please feel free to catch a lift with the free parish minibus. It departs from St Teresa's Church Carpark at 8.50am and will travel via Torthorwald (9am) and Lochmaben High Street (9.10am) on the way to Lockerbie and leaving Lockerbie at 10.40am via Lochmaben (10.50am), Dalton/Hetland Hall (11am), Torthorwald (11.15am) on the return journey (all times are approximate). Please let us know to expect you by emailing or leaving a message on the answering machine.

USED STAMPS WELCOME. Used stamps are collected by the parish to raise funds for mission projects. Please leave them in the box in the porch.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT. Please support St Teresa's Primary School on Wednesday the 13th December at 7pm for its' annual Christmas Concert when the children celebrate in drama and song the Christmas story. It is always a super evening. Tickets on sale at the school office or at the door on the night or from the Piety Stall here in the Church.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE. Our service takes place here in the Church at 7pm on Monday 11th December.

200 CLUB. New members are always welcome. Chat with Teresa in the Piety Shop for details on how to join. It's only £1 per month.

SCIAF (CARITAS SCOTLAND). An update from our national aid agency has arrived and can be found in the church porch.

PRO-LIFE/JUSTICE&PEACE/ST MARGARET'S FAMILY CENTRE. The annual special collection for these worthy causes takes place on Sunday 17th December.

GROW IN FAITH/RCIA. The next evening for all those interested in discussing and growing in their knowledge of the faith and for those adults joining RCIA will take place in St Teresa's Church Hall on Thursday 7th December from 7pm till 8.30pm. All are welcome, we look forward to seeing you.

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

CALLING OUR POLISH COMMUNITY. The priests of our area have invited Fr Rafal Sobieszuk from St Bride's, East Kilbride to offer pastoral support to the Polish families of our parishes. Fr Rafal will be coming to St Teresa's Church, Dumfries on Sunday 17th December from 2.30pm till 4pm to first of all meet members of the Polish community and secondly offer them the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession. He looks forward to meeting and chatting with you to see what else can be offered to assist you all-please come along and meet him. All welcome. Zaproszenie dla polskiej spolecznosci. Ksieza z naszej okolicy poprosili ksiedza Rafala Sobieszuka z parafii swietej Brygidy w East Kilbride, by on udziлил pastoralnej pomocy polskim rodzinom z naszych parafii. Ksiadz Rafal przyjedzie na spotkanie do kościoła swietej Teresy w Dumfries w niedziele 17-ego grudnia w godzinach 14.30 do 16.00, zeby przede wszystkim spotkac sie z polska spolecznoscia, a nastepnie zaoferowac jej mozliwosc przyjecia sakramentu spowiedzi swietej. Ksiadz Rafal oczekuje na spotkanie i rozmowy z polska spolecznoscia, by dowiedziec sie, co jeszcze mozna zrobic dla polskiej spolecznosci. Zapraszamy na spotkanie! Wszyscy mile widziani!

THE ADVENT WREATH. The never fading and never ending love and mercy of God is symbolised in the greenery and circle of the Advent wreath and the increasing light each week brings us closer to the birth of Christ the Light of the World. We dedicate this first candle to the families of our parish, especially those who are struggling to make ends meet.

