Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Mr Paddy Jones Mrs Margaret Budyn Mr Bill McLaughlin

Who have sadly passed away recently. We send our condolences to their families and friends at this sad time.

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Paddy's funeral service is at 12 noon on Monday 12th December at Roucan Loch Crematorium.

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Margaret's Requiem Mass is here at St Teresa's on Tuesday (13th) at 10am. She will be received at the beginning of the service. She will be laid to rest in St Andrew's Cemetery, Calside.

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Bill will be brought to Church on Tuesday evening (13th) at 8.30pm. His Requiem Mass will take place at 10am on Wednesday 14th December followed by burial in St Michael's Cemetery, Craigs Road.

May they rest in peace.

THE ADVENT WREATH. Today the children present the third Advent candle to us on what we also call "Gaudete Sunday". They are busy during Advent preparing the Christmas story and we hope it is all going well. We look forward to their presentation at 11.30am Mass next Sunday (18th). They will hold a rehearsal after mass today

SPECIAL COLLECTION. Next Sunday (18) is the annual special collection for the Christmas charities: Pro-Life; Justice & Peace and St Margaret's Family Centre.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE. Our parish service celebrating God's mercy takes place here in the Church tomorrow (Monday 12th December) at 7pm. Fr Donnelly and Fr Mancini will join us for the occasion.

THE SATURDAY CLUB. The children preparing for the Sacraments have been preparing for the Sacrament of Confession and will join us all tomorrow evening (Monday) here in the Church at 7pm.

THE ABABA PROJECT. Thank you for last week's contribution to our mission fund which raised £339.75. Real gifts for Christmas vouchers are now available for those who might wish to donate to the Ababa Project instead of buying the usual type of gift from a store as a Christmas present.

YOUTH FOR LOURDES. The young people invite you to buy tickets for their marvellous Christmas Hamper. Tickets on sale today. Only £1 a strip to be drawn on 18th December.

YOUTH ACTIVITY. Rehearsals for our next youth led mass next Sunday (18th) takes place in the Church on Monday evening (12th) from 5pm till 6pm (please note the change of date and time here). All our young people are welcome.

PARISH CHOIR. Rehearsals continue this coming Wednesday in the Church from 7pm till 8pm. All welcome-new and old!

CHRISTMAS CARDS/CALENDARS. The church shop has a lovely selection of religious cards, calendars, diaries, candles for Christmas-all at reasonable prices -pop in and have a wee look.

200 CLUB. The Christmas draw winners are: Joe MacLeod (087), Rena Tait (041), Jim Kearney (069) and John Lowrie (062). New members are always welcome. It is only £1 per month. Have a chat with Teresa in the Shop.

GIFTS FOR HMP DUMFRIES. Thank you for the very generous response to this appeal which ends today. As you can see so much has been handed in from ourselves here at St Teresa's bit also from Holy Trinity, Lockerbie and St Luke's, Moffat.

MASS TEXT

Sunday Cycle A :: Weekday Cycle I Divine Office Vol. 1 Wk 3 of season

CALL TO SILENCE:

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

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 35: 1-6. 10

PSALM 145

Come, Lord, and save us; Come, Lord, and save us.

SECOND READING:

James 5: 7-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!
The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 11: 2-11

PREFACE OF ADVENT II EUCHARISTIC PRAYER: II

Sunday 18th December is the Fourth Sunday of Advent (A)

OT Reading: Isaiah 7: 10-14

Psalm: 23: 1-6

NT Reading: Romans 1:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 1: 18-24

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2016

MONDAY 12th DECEMBER

7pm Reconciliation Service in St Teresa's

ADVENT QUIET TIME BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

With opportunity for Confession

Thursday 22nd December in St Teresa's from 7pm till 9pm.

Night Prayer at 7pm, 8pm and 8.50pm.

Please pop in for 5 or 10 minutes or longer if you can-you will be very welcome.

Fr Jim will be available for Confession from 7pm till 8.30pm.

CHRISTMAS EVE-Saturday 24th December

5.30pm Carols followed by 6pm Vigil

Mass in St Andrew's, Dumfries

5.30pm Carols followed by 6pm Vigil

Mass in St Luke's, Moffat

8.30pm Carols followed by 9pm Vigil Mass in St Teresa's

CHRISTMAS DAY-Sunday 25th December

9.30am Mass in Holy Trinity, Lockerbie10am Mass in St Andrew's, Dumfries

11.30am Mass in St Teresa's

NEW YEAR'S DAY- Sunday 1st January 2017

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9.30am Mass in Holy Trinity, Lockerbie 10am Mass in St Andrew's, Dumfries

11.30am Mass in St Teresa's

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A) 11th December 2016

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 bulletinif 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. Wednesday and Friday 10am in St Andrew's
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:	Following 10am service on Saturday till 10.55am
Sacrament of Reconciliation:	Following 10am service on Saturday till 11am
The Rosary:	9.45am 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: £969.53 Thank you for your weekly support.

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, 11.30am: Francis Ryan RIP (Birthday Remembrance); Tuesday: Requiem for Mrs Margaret Budyn RIP;

Wednesday: Requiem for Mr Bill McLaughlin RIP; Sat: Bill McLaughlin (RecDec).

For the gift of Advent preparation, For all those who are sick at home, in hospital or in care.