

**WELCOME.** We celebrate the Baptism of baby Avigyl Elizabeth Rawlins of Kelloholm today at 11.30am Mass. We send our best wishes to her family and friends on this happy occasion. Congratulations!



**ST TERESA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT.** Children who reach the age of 4 years by 28th February this year can enrol their children for school start in August this year on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th January between 2pm and 3.30pm at the school office. Please remember to take the child's birth certificate with you. Fr Jim writes: May I encourage parents and grandparents of the parish who live in the this side of the river (Dumfries

North West) with children of this age to make our parish primary school your first choice when registering your child for the August intake. This educational link between home, school and church has been hard won as a gift for present and future generations. I encourage you to support our parish primary school as much as you possibly can. Please contact Miss Blount at the school (255732) or myself should you have any questions-we will be delighted to assist you in coming to a decision.

**THE SATURDAY CLUB.** The first session of 2014 for the children preparing for the Sacraments this year takes place in the Baptistry Room here in the church on Saturday (18th January) from 11.15am till 1pm. We wish the children and catechists well as they continue their preparation together.



**FAMILY SCOTTISH NIGHT.** A Scottish family night has been planned for Friday 24th January in the Parish Hall in honour of Rabbe Burns. It begins with a sit down meal at 7pm and goes on until 11pm. The meal can be booked on a first come first served basis on the list at the back of church today. (we are limited to 80 places so be quick). There will be a cash bar and raffle but the meal is complimentary (as will the juice for the children be). If any one would like to share a Scottish poem, joke or song/tune they will be very welcome to do so too. A fun night for all the family.



**THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC).** Our next meeting takes place in the Parish Hall on Thursday 6th February from 7-9pm. Please come along and share any ideas you may have on areas of pastoral concern we should be directing our energies to. Your thoughts and offers to be involved will be welcome.

**FILIPINO COMMUNITY SUPPORT.** Non-perishable foodstuffs but more importantly bedding, clothes, footwear, toiletries are still being collected. Please hand them into the church, house or hall anytime.

**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 on Thursday 16th January 2014. 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 do come along any time you can and support this joint effort-all welcome.



**THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION GROUP.** An invitation to attend the theological reflection meetings here in Dumfries & Galloway is extended to all. It takes place in St Peter's, Dalbeattie on Tuesday 11th February from 12.30 till 2pm. The speaker is our dean, Fr William McFadden, and is entitled, "The 10th Assembly of the World Council of Churches: God of Life, Lead us to Justice and Peace." In this talk Father will share the insights he gained when he attended this meeting in Busan, South Korea in November 2013. Tea and Coffee will be provided, bring a packed lunch. There is no charge for the day.

**THE LADIES GUILD.** As the new session begins you are invited to join the ladies on Tuesday evenings in the Hall at 7.30pm. The ladies will hold their first fund raiser of the new year on Saturday 1st February-a jumble sale in the hall from 2pm till 4pm. Donations gratefully received. All welcome.



**PARISH ETHIOPIAN PROJECT.** The monthly collection last week raised £441.44. A great start to a new year of supporting the FMOL Sisters and their projects. Thank you once again for your generous support.

**200 CLUB WINNERS.** The first winners of 2014 are: Kathleen McMillan (033) and Gail Robertson (054). Congratulations!

**THE AA SUPPORT GROUP.** This confidential group meets every Friday evening in the Baptistry room in the church at 7.30pm. Please pop-in any time for support. All welcome.

# MASS TEXT

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

## FIRST READING:

Isaiah 42: 1-4. 6-7.

## PSALM 28:

The Lord will bless his people  
with peace.

## SECOND READING:

Acts 10: 34-38

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The heavens opened and the  
Father's voice resounded: "This is my  
Son, the Beloved. Listen to him."  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL: Matthew 3: 13-17

## Sunday 19th January is the Second Sunday OT (A)

### OT Reading:

Isaiah 49: 3. 5-6

### Psalms: Ps. 39

### NT Reading:

I Corinthians 1:1-3

### Gospel:

John 1: 29-34

# ORDINARY TIME

Tomorrow we begin the first week in Ordinary Time, year A in the Sunday cycle and year 2 in the Week-day cycle. Green returns as the liturgical colour of the season and this part of the liturgical year leads us to the Lenten season some seven weeks away (Ash Wednesday is on the 5th March).

The Sundays are identified as first, second, third etc ie: ordinal numbers are used to title these Sundays hence they are called Ordinary Sundays, meaning how they are ordered rather than that they are simply commonplace.

Ordinary Time sees the mystery of Christ developed beyond the Incarnation. We experience the Word made Flesh as he grows and develops into the adult Christ. We see him call his first disciples and set down a way of life that challenges our old ideas and habits. Christ guarantees that His way will bring us the happiness we all seek in life and in the life to come.

As we end the Christmas season may I thank on your behalf all who prepared our beautiful liturgies and our church (inside and out), offered hospitality and generally made sure everything was celebrated so well. It was much appreciated by us all.

On a personal note a sincere thank you for the many cards and gifts received from you all. You are very kind and your thoughtfulness was appreciated. God Bless.

Fr Jim

# FEAST of the BAPTISM of the LORD (A) 12th January 2014

## 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.



<b>SUNDAY MASSES:</b>	<b>11.30am here at St Teresa's</b>
<i>Sunday Mass also takes place as follows:</i> 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.	
<b>SERVICES THIS WEEK</b>	Mon, Tues, Thurs and Sat at 10am <i>Wed and Frid at 10am in St Andrew's</i>
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
<b>The Ladies Guild:</b> Meet on Tuesdays at 7.30pm in the Hall.	
<b>The Parish Hall:</b> To book the hall please contact Mrs Peggy Marshall on 261373	
<b>WEEKLY COLLECTION: £689.94</b> 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.	
<b>MASS INTENTIONS THIS COMING WEEK:</b>	
Sunday 12th: Elizabeth McCardle RIP and her twin sister Margaret Branney RIP (Birthday remembrance); Mon: For Vera McGeehan's Intentions;	
Tues: In thanksgiving for and for the intentions of Fionn and Sveta Toolis on the birth of their baby daughter Anna Eileen;	
Thurs: Barbara Wilkinson (RecDec); Sat: Barbara Wilkinson (RecDec).	