

SPECIAL COLLECTION. The annual special collection for the Christmas charities: Pro-Life; Justice & Peace and St Margaret's Family Centre raised £281.66. Thank you.

'TIS THE SEASON. Used stamps are collected by the parish to recycle and raise funds for mission projects. Please collect your used stamps and leave them in the box in the church porch. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS. On Wednesday (28th) baby Gazi Waldemar Elbir will be welcomed into the family of God through the holy sacrament of Baptism here in St Teresa's at 12 noon. We send our best wishes to his parents Gazi and Edyta and all their family in this happy occasion.

CONGRATULATIONS. This Hogmanay (Saturday 31st) Mark Anderson and Carrie Foley will marry one another at a 2.30pm ceremony here in St Teresa's. We wish them every happiness as they begin their married life together.

ST TERESA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT. Children who reach the age of 5 years by 28th February 2018 can enrol their children for primary 1 in August this year (2017) on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th January at the school office. Please remember to take the child's birth certificate with you and proof of address. Please contact Miss Blount at the school (255732) should you have any questions or would like further information.

THANK YOU. At a recent party to celebrate the 80th birthday of Mrs Peggy Marshall guests made donations in lieu of gifts raising £444.00 which Peggy has very kindly donated to the parish. Peggy would like to thank all her friends for the lovely party, gifts, cards and good wishes she received on the occasion of her and the Holy Father's birthday! She is uncharacteristically dumbfounded by your kindnesses. Thank you Peggy and many happy returns once again from us all and congratulations on receiving your Papal Blessing from Pope Francis too!

LOURDES 2017. The Diocese is now promoting its' 2017 pilgrimage to Lourdes. It takes place from 03-10 July led by Bishop Nolan. The cost of £769.00 includes our flight from Glasgow Prestwick and stay in the fully inclusive 4 star Hotel Chapelle et Parc close by the Domain and Grotto area. For further information pick-up a flyer and application form from the back of church.

THE WEDNESDAY CLUB. This group for all seniors will next meet in the parish hall on Wednesday 4th January. Doors open at 12.30 with a complimentary lunch served at 1pm followed by activities till 3pm.

200 CLUB. New members are always welcome. Chat with Teresa in the Piety Shop for details.

ABABA PROJECT NEWS. The team thank you for your donations during Advent of the Christmas vouchers. Just a wee reminder too that they are running the Charity Shop week commencing 13th March so if you plan a new year clear-out please keep any unwanted items for then. Finally please keep Friday 10th February clear to enjoy the family quiz night in the parish hall.

MASS AND CHRISTMAS LUNCH FOR YOUNG PEOPLE. All young people aged from secondary school age upwards are invited by diocesan youth officer-Fr Stephen McGrattan-to St Joseph's, Kilmarnock on Tuesday, 3rd January for Mass at 12.30 pm followed by a Christmas lunch in the hall. If you'd like to go Fr Jim is running the minibus-to book a seat drop Fr Jim an email. There is no charge for this event. The minibus will leave from the church at 10.30am and return for approximately 5pm.

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

See you all next year!

MASS TEXT

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

9.00pm VIGIL MASS

OT Reading:

Isaiah 9:1-7

Psalm: 95

NT Reading: Titus 2:11-14

Gospel:

Luke 2:1-14

11.30am MORNING MASS

OT Reading:

Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalm: 97: 1-6

NT Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6

Gospel:

John 1:1-18

**PREFACE I OF THE NATIVITY
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER: II**

**Sunday 1st January is the
Solemnity of Mary,
the Holy Mother of God (A)**

OT Reading:

Numbers 6:22-27

Psalm: 66: 2-3, 5, 6, 8.

NT Reading:

Galatians 4:4-7.

Gospel: Luke 2: 16-21

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2016

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, Lockerbie

10am Mass in St Andrew's, Dumfries

11.30am Mass in St Teresa's

ST STEPHEN'S DAY

Monday 26th December

10am Mass in St Teresa's

ST JOHN'S DAY

Tuesday 27th December

10am Mass in St Teresa's

CHRISTMAS OCTAVE

Thursday 29th December

10am Mass in St Teresa's

CHRISTMAS OCTAVE

Saturday 31st December

10am Mass in St Teresa's

6.00pm Vigil Mass in St Luke's, Moffat

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

SOLEMNITY of CHRISTMAS (A)

25th December 2016

St Teresa's Parish Community

Our Parish Priest is: Fr Jim Hayes

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Dumfries. DG2 9DE. Tel: (01387) 252603.

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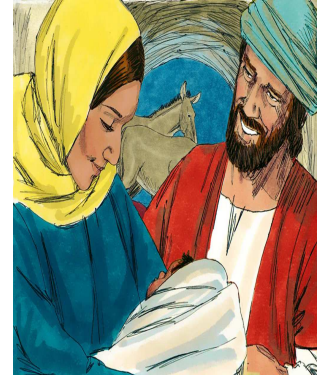
Website: www.stteresaschurch.com

Our Parish Deacon is: Rev. Mr. William Hiddleston

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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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

The Rosary:

Please
Refer
to
schedule
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The Ladies Guild: Next meet on Tuesday 10th January at 7.30pm in the Hall.

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION: £719.30 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: For the Parish; Monday: Peggy Marshall's intentions (80th Birthday Mass);

Tuesday: Deceased members of the Bradley family (Christmas remembrance);

Thursday: Paul Joseph Brown RIP (Christmas Remembrance); Saturday: Deceased
members of the McGeechan family (Christmas Remembrance).

For the gift of Christmas peace,

For those who have died this past year and for their grieving families and friends,
for all those who are sick at home, in hospital or in care.