



**PARISH SVDP CONFERENCE.** The work of our SVDP group is always ongoing and much of it unseen. Every week the Conference members are reaching out to those in need in our area. Thanks to your weekly support they are able to do this. Today we have a special word of con-

gratulations to Mr Bill McLaughlin who after 52 years of service in the SVDP, many of them here in St Teresa's, retires as the Parish President. We have a presentation to make to him to thank him and honour this tremendous achievement and example to us all.

We congratulate Mr Joe Smith too, as he takes over the reigns from Bill as the new President of the Conference and also Deacon Willie who has become Spiritual Director to the Conference, we wish them and all the members every blessing in the year that lies ahead.



**SPECIAL COLLECTION.** The annual special collection for our Christmas Charities takes place at our Masses this week-end.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION.** Fr Willie McFadden invites you to join him in St Quivox Church Hall, Prestwick from 11.30am till 3pm on Saturday 18th February for the next session of this regular meeting around the parishes of the diocese. The theme is, "The Sacraments in the Catechism" and will be presented by Fr Mark Kelly. For more information call Fr Willie on 01556 330687 or email: rcchurchkb@btinternet.com

**THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC).** Our next meeting will take place in the Parish Hall on Thursday 19th January from 7-9pm. All welcome.

**THE GALLOWAY NEWSLETTER.** The Christmastide edition of this diocesan publication is available in the Church porch today (it's free!).



**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY.** Project 2012 invites you to their Race Night in the Parish Hall on Saturday 11th February. Put the date in your diary now-more details soon.

**ETHIOPIAN COLLECTION.** The collection last week raised £175.06. Thank you once again for your great support.

**ST TERESA'S PRIMARY NURSERY ENROLMENT.** Children can be enrolled in our parish school nursery during school hours this coming Tuesday or Wednesday (10th and 11th January). Please contact Miss

Blount at the school (255732) should you have any questions-she will be delighted to assist you. Once again may I add my encouragement to our parents who live in the town area of the parish to consider St Teresa's Nursery before any other.



**THE LADIES GUILD.** The ladies begin their regular meetings again this Tuesday in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm. New members are always welcome.

**200 CLUB.** Please see Theresa in the piety stall if you would like to join the parish 200 Club. New members are always welcome. Membership is only £1 per month.

**FAITH IN FOCUS.** Why not come along to our next evening of reflection, prayer and discussion on our faith on Thursday 12th January from 7.30pm till 9pm in the Church Baptistry. Those in RCIA are invited to arrive for 7pm for a short meeting before the Faith sharing. All welcome.



Friends, may I just take a moment to express a sincere and heartfelt thank you to the many people who have worked so hard to help us celebrate Advent and Christmas so well. I'm grateful to all those who have erected the Nativity Scenes (indoors and outdoors), to those who prepared our beautiful flowers and sanctuary, to our unseen team of church cleaners, to the Sacristans and Altar Servers and to all those who exercised their liturgical ministry. The organists, cantors and choir members put in a great deal of time and effort to lead us in our services throughout Advent and Christmas and we are so grateful for that. We also thank those who have offered us hospitality over the season-it was very welcome. The amount of extra time and effort made by you all has been very much appreciated by the rest of us as we have thoroughly enjoyed the beautiful and joyful celebrations. Thank you one and all for a tremendous effort. May I end with a personal thank you for the many cards and gifts that I received from you. I am very touched by your warmth and kindness. I wish you and yours every blessing for the year ahead.



Fr Jim

# MASS TEXT

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

## FIRST READING:

Isaiah 60: 1-6

PSALM 71:

All nations shall fall prostrate  
before you, O Lord.

## SECOND READING:

Ephesians 3: 2-3a. 5-6

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
We saw his star as it rose and have  
come to do the Lord homage.  
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 2: 1-12

**Sunday 15th January**  
**Second Sunday of the Year**

**OT Reading:**  
II Samuel 3: 3-10. 19.

**Psalms:** Ps. 39

**NT Reading:**  
I Corinthians 6: 13-15. 17-20

**Gospel:**  
John 1: 35-42



## CHRISTMAS CHARITIES GIFTS

Thank you for your very generous contributions to our Christmas Season collections. These will be sent to our Christmas Charities with your very best wishes: St Margaret's Children & Family Society; Pro-Life; Justice & Peace and Project 2012.

## ORDINARY TIME

The Epiphany closes Christmastide and from Tuesday we begin the First Week of Ordinary Time, tomorrow (Monday) being the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Green is the colour of the season. We will celebrate Ordinary Time for seven weeks then we will enter the season of Lent-Ash Wednesday being on 22nd February. During this time the church invites us to reflect on the unfolding mystery of Christ in our lives.

# THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY (B)

## 8th January 2012

## 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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*Our Parish Deacon is: Rev. Mr. Willie Hiddleston*

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:

**10.30am and 6pm**

In St Conal's, Kirkconnel (served from St Teresa's) there is a Vigil Mass at 2pm.

## SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Monday to Saturday at 10am.  
**Except Thursday at 9am.**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fri. and Sat. after 10am service till 11am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Fri. and Sat. after 10am service till 11am.

The Rosary: Wednesdays following the 10am service

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

**The Ladies Guild:** Meets again in the Hall at 7.30pm on 10/01/2012. All welcome

**WEEKLY COLLECTION.** £565.26 Thank you for your weekly support.

Baptisms can be booked by contacting Fr Jim directly

Weddings require at least six months notice-please contact Fr Jim directly.

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS COMING WEEK:

Sat 2pm: Josie Mackay (RecDec); Sunday 10.30am: Rosa Gallie (RecDec);  
Sunday 6pm: Kerry Meier (RecDec); Monday: Bill & Sheena Gallie (Sp.Ints-Christmas Mass);  
Tuesday: Andrew Campbell (1st Ann); Wednesday: John Lilly RIP (Christmas Remembrance);  
Thursday 9am: Fr Frank Hickman OFM (RecDec);  
Friday: John & Annie Lilly RIP (Christmas Remembrance);  
Saturday: Maureen Henderson (Sp Ints-good health).