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Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Year $\overline{[C]}$

16th October 2022

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Mustard Seeds

♣ St Patrick's Breastplate

Also known as the "Lorica of St. Patrick" and sometimes "The Deer Cry." It is attributed to St. Patrick and tradition has it that reciting this prayer protected him when he ventured to visit the Pagan King of Ireland. Assassins were ready for an ambush, but as Patrick said the prayer it seemed to the enemies that a herd of deer were going by. Recite this prayer in the morning and you are ready to face the world.

I arise today through the power of God:
God's might to comfort me, God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me, God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me, God's hand to lead me,
God's way to lie before me, God's shield to protect me,
God's Heavenly Host to save me from the snares of the devil,
from temptations to sin, from all who wish me ill,
from near and afar, alone and with others.



May Christ shield me today against poison and fire, against drowning and wounding, so that I may fulfill my mission and bear fruit in abundance. Christ behind and before me, Christ behind and above me, Christ with me and in me, Christ around and about me, Christ on my right and on my left,

Christ when I lie down at night,
Christ when I rise in the morning,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone that speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me. Amen.

"I asked Jesus,

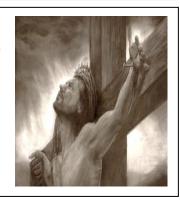
'How much do you love me?'

And Jesus said,

'This much.'

Then He stretched

out His arms and died."



Twenty-Ninth Week of the Year [C] 2022				
St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk Father Duncan McVicar assisted by Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula & Canon Matt McManus (Retired) Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed		Fr. Duncan McVicar assisted by Fr. Gerry Hamill (Retired)	www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com Canon Martin Poland assisted by Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula & Canon Matt McManus (Retired)	
Masses may be subject to change		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 15 th October	29 th Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for John and Josie McPherson (SI)			Vigil Mass (L) at 4.30pm
Sunday 16 th October	29th Sunday of the Year Mass at 10.30am Offered for our Parishes	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 17 th October	Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am Offered for Hamish Fraser (A), Mary McAtee (A)			
Tuesday 18 th October	Requiem Mass for Isabella Milligan Mass at 10am	Adoration 9.30 Mass 10am		Eucharistic Service at 10am
Wednesday 19 th October	29 th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am Offered for Angela and Eddie Body (SI)		Eucharistic Service at 10am	
Thursday 20 th October	29 th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am Offered for John Wilson (RD), Eleanor Coughlan (RD)			Eucharistic Service at 10am
Friday 21 st October	29 th Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am Offered for Kathleen Cairns (A), John Scott (RD) Exposition and Benediction 10.30am	Adoration 9.30 Mass 10am	Eucharistic Service at 10am	
Saturday 22 nd October	30 th Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Adeline Hughes (RD), Peace in Russia and Ukraine			Vigil Mass (L) at 4.30pm

Pope prays for Unity of the Church

Pope Francis celebrated Mass Oct. 11, 2022, in St. Peter's Basilica to mark the 60th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. The Second Vatican Council was the universal Catholic Church's response to God's love and to Jesus' command to feed his sheep. The council reminded the church of what is "essential," the pope said: "a church madly in love with its Lord and with all the men and women whom he loves," one that "is rich in Jesus and poor in assets," a church that "is free and freeing." The debates that followed the council and continue today are a distraction from the church's mission, Pope Francis said. "We are always tempted to start from ourselves rather than from God, to put our own agendas before the Gospel, to let ourselves be caught up in the winds of worldliness in order to chase after the fashions of the moment or to turn our back the time that providence has granted us," he said. "A church in love with Jesus has no time for quarrels, gossip and disputes," the pope said. "May God free us from being critical and intolerant, harsh and angry. This is not a matter of style but of love." "How often, in the wake of the council, did Christians prefer to choose sides in the church, not realizing that they were breaking their mother's heart," the heart of their mother, the church, Pope Francis said.

October is the Month of the Rosary

Please take time to pray the Rosary daily in your personal intentions during the month of October.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Harry Sammons, Hugh Conway, Beryl Meechan, Ennis McHugh, Tom McGreevy, Peter Richards, Patricia Carson.

+ Those who have died recently:

Isabella Milligan, Francis Kilpatrick, John Wilson, Adeline Hughes (McCann), Eleanor Coughlan, John Scott.

+ Those who died at this time of Year:

Bernard Aspinwall 2013, John McGowan 2002,
John McPolin 1944, Hannah Burns 2002, Dan Donnelly 1941,
Andrew Howieson, Jim Sullivan 2005, Alistair Aitken 1995,
Agnes Anderson 2001, Mary McAtee 2006, John Dorian 2009,
Margaret McHugh 2002, Margaret Monaghan 1969,
Michael McManus 1961, Michael Monaghan 1936,
Cameron McCallum 2010, Mary Jane McKay 1952,
David McHugh 1967, Patrick McQuade 1998,
Stephen Patrick Austin 2017, Lawrence Brennan 1981,
Andrew Conaghan 2002, Michael Doherty 2005,
Hugh O'Boyle 2000, John Higgins 2001, Hugh McGoogan 2009,
Patrick McNamee 1918, Patrick O'Hare 2001

St. Bride's & St. Peter's Notices

- ► SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM We welcome to the Family of the Church Leon Stephen McArthur, who will be baptised this Saturday. Congratulations to his parents and Godparents.
- ▶ REQUIEM MASS FOR ISABELLA MILLIGAN Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Isabella Milligan who died on 2nd October 2022, aged 95 years. Her Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday, 18th October at 10am, followed by interment at Ardrossan Cemetery. Her Month's Mind Mass will be on Thursday, 3rd November at 10am. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.
- ► FUNERAL SERVICE FOR FRANK KILPATRICK Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Frank Kilpatrick, West Kilbride who died on 10th October 2022, aged 85 years. His Funeral Service will be on Tuesday, 18th October at 3pm, at Clyde Coast Crematorium, Largs. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.
- ▶ST BRIDE'S MONTHLY DRAW October Winner of St Brides Monthly Draw is Number 33, Peter Ross. For anyone still wishing to join, it will be £10 for the remainder of the year. Pop your name and address into an envelope and put Kate Kelley on the outside, and hand it to Kate Kelley (or pass keepers) at the back of the Church after mass.
- ▶ BREAKFAST FOR OUR PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN In the months of October and November we will be doing a support collection for our primary school children so that they can all have a proper breakfast when they arrive at school. We will be collecting only cereals and cereal bars. When you go shopping please buy an extra pack of cereal and bring it to Church. There will be a large basket at the back of the Church, and we will bring this down at the Offertory. Please be as generous as you can for our children.

Legalisation of assisted suicide at the Scottish Parliament

What is assisted suicide? Assisted suicide refers to a doctor helping a patient to kill themselves by providing the patient with a lethal cocktail of drugs. Decisions relating to stopping medical treatments or increasing pain relief that may accelerate someone's death are not the same thing as assisted suicide. Why is assisted suicide wrong? Assisted suicide is gravely contrary to the dignity of the human person. Assisted suicide undermines efforts to tackle suicide and sends a message to society that suicide is an appropriate response to physical or mental suffering. Assisted suicide sends a clear message to frail, elderly and disabled patients about the value that society places on them and undermines efforts to improve palliative care. Assisted suicide puts pressure on people to end their lives for fear of being a financial, emotional or care burden on others. Assisted suicide undermines public trust in doctors, damaging the doctor patient relationship. What can we do?

- ✓ Sign up at Care Not Killing Scotland and support the campaign to resist assisted suicide and to call for proper funding of palliative care.
- ✓ Email your eight MSPs (you have one constituency MSP and seven regional MSPs) and ask them to vote against the Assisted Suicide Bill when it is presented to the Parliament. You can obtain contact details via this Scottish Parliament webpage (enter your postcode in the 'Find MSPs by postcode' function). It would be helpful when you write to your MSPs if you could outline some of your own concerns about legalising assisted suicide, which may include some of the concerns we have outlined in this briefing. Please use your own words as far as possible. And don't forget to include your name and postal address as MSPs can only answer concerns raised by constituents.
- ✓ Please pray that attempts to legalise assisted suicide, with all of its associated dangers, will be resisted and that society, respectful of the dignity of life, will commit to improving care for those who find themselves facing death; to care for them, not to kill them. "The judgement that an illness is incurable cannot mean that care has come at an end." Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith

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Offertory Cash Collection 9th October 2022: £469.04 Second Collection (Building Fund): £234.42

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Offertory Cash Collection 9th October 2022: £100.00

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Safeguarding Statement 2022

Please make sure you get your copy of the safeguarding statement which is available now. Available in the bulletin or from the Parishes Office. Thank you to our Safeguarding Co-ordinators Myriame Sammons and George Poole.

Missio Scotland Appeal

Mission Sunday 23 October 2022. Supporting our brothers and sisters in Ethiopia. The annual special collection for Missio Scotland will be taken up next weekend (22nd/23rd October 2022.)

The Synod in Galloway - Quotes from our Report

In terms of the actual celebration of the Mass, experiences and opinions varied enormously. A small number of parishes consistently reported that Mass was felt to be an obligation rather than a celebration, with limited participation and a lack of "freshness". Some felt the Eucharist is weaponised against "sinners", which was considered to be deeply inappropriate (c.f. Mark 2:17 "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.") Many people reported they do not understand restrictions on receiving the Eucharist, whether for Catholics in certain circumstances, or for people of other denominations. A desire for formation to understand the Mass and the Eucharist better, and to increase appreciation of both, was expressed repeatedly.

Just for a laugh...

Children in Church - have a read of this...

One particular four-year-old prayed, 'And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets.'

A Primary School teacher asked her children as they were on the way to Mass in Church: 'And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?' One bright little girl replied, 'Because people are sleeping.'

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin 5, and Ryan 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson.. 'If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.' Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, 'Ryan, you be Jesus!'

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