

# ST. PETER IN CHAINS • ARDROSSAN

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# ST. BRIDE'S • WEST KILBRIDE

Meeting people where they are... leading them where God calls them to be!



18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year [B]

1<sup>st</sup> August 2021

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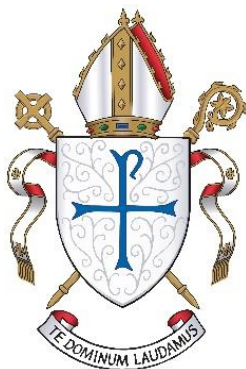
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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**St. Peter in Chains:** Saturday  
between 4.45pm-5.15pm.

**St. Bride's:** Friday  
between 11am-12noon  
And by request.

**St. Peter in Chains,  
and St. Bride's,  
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## Mustard Seeds

### ✚ Checking In

A priest passing through the church in the middle of the day  
Decided to pause by the altar and see who had come to pray.  
Just then the back door opened, a man came down the aisle,  
The priest frowned as he saw the man hadn't shaved in a while.  
His shirt was shabby, old, and his coat was worn and frayed.  
The man knelt, he bowed his head then rose and walked away.  
In the days that followed, each noon time came this chap.  
Each time he knelt just for a moment, a lunch box in his lap.  
Well, the priest's suspicions grew, with robbery a main fear.

He decided to stop the man and ask him,  
"What are you doing here?"

The old man said he worked down the road. lunch was half an hour.  
Lunchtime was his prayer time for finding strength and power.

"I stay only moments, see, because the factory is so far away.

As I kneel here talking to the Lord, this is what I say:

I JUST CAME AGAIN TO TELL YOU, LORD, HOW HAPPY I'VE BEEN  
SINCE WE FOUND EACH OTHER'S FRIENDSHIP,

AND YOU TOOK AWAY MY SIN.

I DON'T KNOW MUCH OF HOW TO PRAY,  
BUT I THINK ABOUT YOU EVERY-DAY.

SO, JESUS, THIS IS JIM, CHECKING IN TODAY."

The priest, feeling foolish, told Jim, that was fine.

He told the man he was welcome to come and pray just anytime.

Time to go, Jim smiled, and said "Thanks." He sped to the door.

Past noon one day, the priest noticed that old Jim hadn't come.

As more days passed without Jim, he began to worry some.

At the factory, he asked about him, learning he was ill.

The hospital staff were worried, but he'd given them a thrill.

The week that Jim was with them, brought changes in the ward.

His smiles, a joy contagious. Changed people, were his reward.

The head nurse couldn't understand why Jim was so glad

When no flowers, calls or cards came, not a visitor he had.

The priest stayed by his bed he voiced the nurse's concern:

No friends came to show they cared. He had nowhere to turn.

Looking surprised, old Jim spoke up and with a winsome smile;

"The nurse is wrong, she couldn't know, that in here all the while.

Everyday at noon, He's here, a dear friend of mine, you see,

He sits right down, takes my hand, leans over and says to me:

'I JUST CAME AGAIN TO TELL YOU, JIM,  
HOW HAPPY I HAVE BEEN,  
SINCE WE FOUND THIS FRIENDSHIP,  
AND I TOOK AWAY YOUR SIN.  
I ALWAYS LOVE TO HEAR YOU PRAY,  
AND I THINK ABOUT YOU EVERY DAY,  
SO JIM, THIS IS JESUS, CHECKING IN TODAY.'



Year of  
**ST. JOSEPH**



# Eighteenth Sunday of the Year [B] 2021

<b>August 2021</b>	<b>St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan</b> <a href="http://www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk">www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk</a> <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i>	<i>Fr. Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Fr. Gerry Hamill (Retired)</i>	<i>Canon Martin Poland</i> <i>assisted by Fr. Benjamin Mkeri</i> <i>and Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i>	
		<b>St Bride's</b>	<b>St. John's</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b> Vigil Mass at 5.30pm (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for all children preparing for First Eucharist and Confirmation, John Kean (RD)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
<b>Sunday</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> August	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b> Mass at 10.30am (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for our parishes</i>	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30 (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for Duncan McVicar Snr. (BR), Kitty Woods (A), Noleen McFadyen (A),</i>			
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	<b>Requiem Mass for Catherine McIntosh</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed)	Mass at 10am		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Memorial of St. John Mary Vianney</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for Jean McLellan (RD), Joann McLaughlin (SI)</i>		Mass at 10am (L)	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year</b> Mass at 10am (Live Streamed) <i>Offered for John Boyle (RD), Mary Carrick (RD)</i>			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for James Mullen (RD)</i>	Mass at 12 noon	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>19<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b> Vigil Mass at 5.30pm (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for Sarah Kelly Murdoch (RD), Lawrence Family (SI)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

### Feed Your Soul –

#### Renewing our Parish Communities

From the very first centuries, the example of the Virgin Mary and the lives of the saints and martyrs have been an integral and effective part of catechesis. The Church sees the martyrs as illustrious teachers of the faith. This twentieth century, which has been called the century of martyrdom, showed itself to be especially rich in witnesses who were willing to live the Gospel to the point of the supreme trial of love.

## HOLY HOTLINES

WORRY HOTLINE..... 1 PETER 5:7

FEAR HOTLINE..... ISAIAH 41:10

TEMPTATION HOTLINE..... 1 CORINTHIANS 10:13

DOUBT HOTLINE..... ROMANS 10:17

SICKNESS HOTLINE..... ISAIAH 53:5

DEPRESSION HOTLINE..... PSALM 34:18

LONELINESS HOTLINE..... DEUTERONOMY 31:8

LINES ARE OPEN 24/7

### Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present  
in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things  
and I passionately desire  
to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot now  
receive you sacramentally,  
come spiritually into my soul  
so that I may unite myself

wholly to you  
now and forever.

Amen.



### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Jim Boyle, Bill Holden, Pat Breen.*

#### ✦ Those who have died recently:

*John Boyle, Mary Carrick, Jean McLellan, John Kean, Catherine McIntosh, American Bob (Saltcoats),  
Dean Barton (Glasgow), Isa Kennedy, Eugene McMahan, Sarah Kelly Murdoch (France).*

#### ✦ Those who died at this time of Year:

*Annie Cavani 2012, Joseph Giblin 2016, George Pettigrew 1988, Maureen McCubbin 2008, George Tonner 1931,  
Phyllis Doherty 2017, Geraldine Leadbeater 2016, Noleen McFadyen née Delahunt 2012, Cathie McLaren 2007,  
Leslie Aitken 2010, Joseph Barry 2013, Mary Harper 2012, Isabelle Rennie 2004, Robert Tumilty 1981, Mara Cheshire 2007,  
Brian Collins, Joe Dougherty 1977, Breda Doyle 2020, Agnes Gorman 2016, Laurence Hamilton 1998, Ann Kennedy 2010,  
Margaret McGuinness 2004, William Tumilty 1980, Isabella Welsh (Brownlie) 2008, Helen Clarke 2016, Lawrence Tumilty 1993,  
Sean Paul Marshall 2013, Patricia Barry 2015, Cathie Carroll 2020, Sadie Hamilton 2007, Father Jack Kerr 2001, Ellen Lafferty 2019,  
Desmond McGarvey 1996, Giovanni Michelini 2015, Patrick Joseph O'Boyle 2009, Lauretta Salotti 1981, Alison Cook 1999,  
Frances Flynn 1990, James Gorman 1997, William McGillvary 2001,  
Margaret Pacewicz 2006, Henrietta Smith 2009, Kitty Woods 2013.*

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

- **REQUIEM MASS FOR CATHERINE MCINTOSH** Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Catherine McIntosh who died on 19th July 2021, aged 73 years. Her Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday, 3rd August at 10am, followed by Interment at Ardrossan Cemetery. May she rest in peace and rise in glory!
- **HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCIES** Due to family commitments Deacon Bill Corbett has stepped down as hospital chaplain. He is to be thanked for his many years of compassionate service to the sick in hospital. As of 1<sup>st</sup> August, Father Stephen McGrattan is appointed hospital chaplain for Crosshouse Hospital, assisted by the IHM Sisters; in Kilmarnock. Deacon Robert Mackie is appointed chaplain for Ayr hospital.
- **PILGRIMAGE TO ST NINIAN, WHITHORN** The pilgrimage to Whithorn will take place this year on Sunday 29th August. However, while Mass will be celebrated on the shore, there will be no Mass in the church in Whithorn. So that we can estimate if we should hire a coach for the Parish, please let me know if anyone would like to go.
- **PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** Canon Matt has signed up to go on a five-day pilgrimage to Lourdes for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8th). Flight from Edinburgh – travel restrictions permitting. Full details available from Northern Star Travel Ltd: [www.northernstartravel.com](http://www.northernstartravel.com) or 0161 773 2115
- **ST. PETER'S 50/50 CLUB** We gave our Annual Cheque to the Parish for £2000, many thanks for your continued support through a difficult time during Covid. We are still waiting for a few membership renewals of £15 so please bring it up to date for 2021, since the next Bonus Draw for £100 plus 4 at £25 is now due to go in the post to our Winners - you do not want to miss it, if you are not in it. New members are welcome at any time - please contact the Promoter: Myriame Sammons or the Parish Office. Good Luck to our members in the August Draw.
- **USED POSTAGE STAMPS** We have been asked to donate our used postage stamps to fund Medical Science. Please hand your used stamps in to the Parish Office or give them to Alfie Agostini.
- **ST. BRIDE'S 100 CLUB** The New season started on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The subscription for the new year is still only £12 pp and is due now. We are so grateful to those members who have supported the club over the years. We would be delighted to welcome new members to help boost the numbers and funds. Half of the money goes to our church funds and half go to our members by monthly draws. Thank you.

### Prayer for the Week

Loving Father,

I invite you into my life today  
and make myself available to you.

Help me to become  
the best version of myself,  
by seeking your will  
and by being a living example  
of your love in the world.

Open my heart to the areas of my life that need to change,  
so I can carry out the mission you have imagined for my life  
and experience the joy you desire for me.

Inspire me to live the Catholic faith in ways  
that are dynamic and engaging.

Show me how to best get involved in the life of my parish.

Give our community  
a hunger for best practices  
and continuous learning.

Give me courage when I am afraid,  
hope when I am discouraged,  
and clarity in times of decision.  
Lead your Church to become  
all you imagined it would be  
for the people of our times.

Amen.

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*Many Thanks for your support and generosity!*

### Just for a Laugh...

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter. 'What are you doing?' She asked. 'Hunting flies', he responded. 'Oh. Killing any?' she asked. 'Yep, three males, two females,' he replied. Intrigued, she asked. 'How can you tell them apart?' He responded, 'Three were on a beer can, two were on the phone.'



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