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# Thirteenth Sunday of the Year [C]

26<sup>th</sup> June 2022

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### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

St. Bride's: By request.

St. Peter in Chains, and St. Bride's, are Parishes in the RC Diocese of Galloway. Scottish Charity Registration Number: SC 010576



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# **Mustard Seeds**

### The Gift of the Eucharist - "This, this could be Jesus"

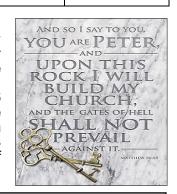
Things were getting really difficult here at home, and I was feeling very much alone. My husband had a typical Parkinson's disease. It was progressing very fast and I was having difficulty knowing what to do to take care of him. It was becoming overwhelming. One day I couldn't get him to sit down on the shower chair. He just froze and it was a dangerous situation. I lost my temper with him because I was so frustrated. That made me very much afraid. It upset me because it wasn't his fault. I remembered there was a holy hour at my Parish Church. I started to go and that's when I prayed, 'What can I do? How can I be a better caretaker? I'm not sure I can do this.' And then this idea popped into my head: 'If I just treat him as if he were Jesus, I shouldn't have a problem.' So any time it was difficult, I would just say to myself, 'This, this could be Jesus.' So I don't know why, but that in prayer, in holy hour, that just came to me. And so I decided that that's what I was going to do. I had a friend come visit me one time, and afterwards, she said, 'I don't know how you do this. I could never do it.' I go, 'Oh, yeah, you could.' I said, 'You know what I do? I just think of him as Jesus.' I guess what I'm saying is there is no way I could have done any of this without prayer and without receiving the Eucharist. I just found comfort in going to Mass and receiving communion. And the more I did it, it seemed like the more the more I wanted to do it. It's just like what Christ says, 'I am the vine. You are the branches.' We depend on him.



Thirteenth Week of the Year [C] 2022				
St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan  www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk  www.stbrideschurch.co.uk  Father Duncan McVicar  assisted by Canon Matt McManus (Retired)		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 and Canon Matt McManus (Retired)	
Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed  Masses may be subject to change		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Thirteenth Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Michael Fitzpatrick (A), Karen Fitzpatrick (A), Tommy Stewart (RD)			Vigil Mass (L) at 4.30pm
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Thirteenth 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 27 <sup>th</sup> June	13 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am Offered for Hutson & Burns Family (A), Francis Balmer (RD)			
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Memorial of St. Irenaeus Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am Offered for Robert Smallridge (MM), Agnes Jones (RD), Betty Craig (SI)	Adoration 9.30am Mass 10am	Mass at 7pm (L)	Mass at 9am (L)
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am and 7pm Offered for Theresa McGarvey (A), John Norman (RD)	Mass at 10am	Mass at 11am (L)	Mass at 9.30am Mass at 7pm (L)
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	First Martyrs of the Roman Church Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am Offered for Gertrude Cunningham (A) Peace in Russia & Ukraine			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	13 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am Offered for Nancy (S), Michael Taylor (RD) Exposition and Benediction 10.30am	Adoration 9.30am Mass 10am	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Fourteenth Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Marie Clare (S), Pauline McMillan (SI)			Vigil Mass (L) at 4.30pm

# You are Peter...

Veneration of the two great Apostles, Peter and Paul, has its roots in the very foundations of the Church. They are the solid rock on which the Church is built. They are at the origin of her faith and will forever remain her protectors and her guides. To them Rome owes her true greatness, for it was under God's providential guidance that they were led to make the capital of the Empire, sanctified by their martyrdom, the centre of the Christian world whence should radiate the preaching of the Gospel. St. Peter suffered martyrdom under Nero, in A.D. 66 or 67. He was buried on the hill of the Vatican where recent excavations have revealed his tomb on the very site of the basilica of St. Peter's. St. Paul was beheaded in the via Ostia on the spot where now stands the basilica bearing his name. Down the centuries Christian people in their thousands have gone on pilgrimage to the tombs of these Apostles. In the second and third centuries the Roman Church already stood pre-eminent by reason of her apostolicity, the infallible truth of her teaching and her two great figures, Ss. Peter and Paul.



#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Jim Boyle, Harry Sammons, Morag Munroe.

#### **+** Those who have died recently:

Elizabeth Higgins, Marie Burns, Tommy Stewart, Francis Balmer, Agnes Jones (Australia), John Norman.

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

Harry Boyle 2006, Fredrick Davis 2015, Michael Fitzpatrick 2006, Elizabeth Paterson, Joseph Sammons 1954,
Margaret Burns 2006, Katherine Fish 2002, James Little 1979, Joseph McCormick 1977, Tony Ross 2008, John Byers 1991,
Anne Convery 1997, Daniel Harrigan 2012, Frank Lowey 2018, Annie McCabe 2002, Margaret McCann 2000,
Sadie Morgan 2012, Mary Nolan O'Hare 1995, John, Peter, Francis Jim and Paul Breslin, James Conaghan 1999,
Margaret Donnelly 1953, Angela Holloway née Friel 2012, William Magee 1997, Peter McEvoy 1967, Rose McKenzie 1998,
Freddie McMillan 2018, Helen Taylor 1998, Ellen Wardrope 2018, Hugh Brodie 1964, Patrick Burns 2000,
Antonio Da Prato 1984, Rose Doyle 2008, John McFarlane 1956, Betty Sloan 2007, Oliviero Agostini 1940,
James Brennan 1963, Father Michael Lynch 2004, Stuart McDonald 2006, Giocondo Michelini 1960, Peter Reilly 2018,
Kathleen Robertson 2005, Josephine Slaven 2008, Mary Tonner 1936.

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

- ► FIRST COMMUNION AT ST BRIDE'S Congratulations and many blessings to Manus Gallanagh who will receive his First Holy Communion this Sunday St Bride's. We wish Manus and all his family a day of grace and joy and blessing.
- ▶ PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AT ST BRIDE'S On Tuesday 28 June at 7 pm there will be an Open Parish Pastoral Council meeting in St Brides to discuss future events and parish matters. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend. If you have any issue or suggestion that you would like raised during the meeting please contact Phyllis to include in the agenda. Howiephyllis@yahoo.co.uk
- ► ANNUAL PARISH COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE This weekend, the 25th and 26th June we will take up the annual collection for Peter's Pence, Collection in favour of the Holy Father's apostolic and charitable ministry. Thank you once again for your continuous generosity.
- NOVENA OF PRAYER FOR OUR DEACON KEVIN Deacon Kevin Rennie is being ordained a priest for Galloway Diocese on 1st July in St. Teresa's Church, Dumfries. A Novena of Prayer has been organised by the people and priests of our Diocese. It will run from 23rd June until 1st July itself and will be published on the 'Galloway Diocese' Facebook page. We wish Kevin a special day of many graces and the joy of ordination.
- ▶ IN AND AROUND ST PETER'S CHURCH You will have noticed all the beautiful new plants and the colours around the Church grounds in the last few weeks. Big thank you to all those who have contributed in so many different ways to keep the Church grounds looking so well. New spotlights have been fitted at Our Lady's Mosaic and the statue of St Margaret of Scotland. Thank you to all our helpers and workers.
- ▶ 50/50 CLUB I would like to thank the members of the 50/50 club for their kind and continuous generosity. The income generated from the 50/50 club to the Parish is very much appreciated. The cheque for £2,000 was most welcome.
- ► GALLOWAY NEWS The summer edition of the Galloway News is now available. Please take a copy home with you.

#### **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

We celebrate St Peter's Parish Feast Day on 29<sup>th</sup> June, the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul. As this is a holiday of obligation we will have Mass at 10am and 7pm.

#### With Gratitude

I have a special friend A friend you are indeed Who leads me to the Lord With just a planted seed.

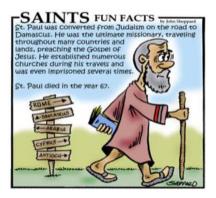
It comes in darkest winter When iciness abounds Planted in my heart For God to stir around.

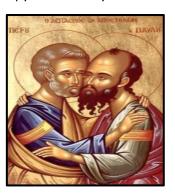
He mixes it with love And covers it with grace To help me rise another day To see my Saviour's face.

The spring it comes first gently And then it picks up speed To show me that my Saviour lives And of my greatest need.

Now let me love another With that sweet gentle care As Jesus speaks His strongest then While we are unaware.







#### ST. PETER'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Cash Collection 19<sup>th</sup> June 2022: £552.04 Second Collection (Building Fund): £210.32

ST. BRIDE'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Cash Collection 19th June 2022: £59.20

### STANDING ORDERS - PLEASE THINK ABOUT IT

Please consider taking out a Standing Order?
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Many Thanks for your support and generosity!

#### Just for a Laugh...

- → Lost on a rainy Friday night, a priest stumbles into a monastery and requests shelter there. Fortunately, he's just in time for dinner and was treated to the best fish and chips he's ever had. After dinner, he goes into the kitchen to thank the chefs. He is met by two brothers, "Hello, I'm Brother Michael, and this is Brother Francis." "I'm very pleased to meet you. I just wanted to thank you for a wonderful dinner. The fish and chips were the best I've ever tasted. Out of curiosity, who cooked what?" Brother Michael replied, "Well, I'm the fish friar." Father turns to the other brother and says, "Then you must be...." "Yes, I'm afraid I'm the chip monk..."
- → The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic Primary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching." Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples.

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