

# 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!



22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year [B]

29<sup>th</sup> August 2021

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

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

### ✠ The Storm

Years ago, I was enthralled as I listened to a priest who for several years had faithfully served the church as a Retreat Speaker. His responsibilities had taken him all over this country. As he concluded his message, he told of one of the most frightening yet thought-provoking experiences of his life. He had been on a long flight from one place to another. The first warning of the approaching problems came when the sign on the airplane flashed on: Fasten your seat belts. Then, after a while, a calm voice said, "We shall not be serving the beverages at this time as we are expecting turbulence. Please be sure your seat belt is fastened." As he looked around the aircraft, it became obvious that many of the passengers were becoming apprehensive. Later, the voice of the announcer said, "We are so sorry that we are unable to serve the meal at this time. The turbulence is still ahead of us." And then the storm broke. The ominous cracks of thunder could be heard even above the roar of the engines. Lightening lit up the darkening skies, and within moments that great plane was like a cork tossed around on a celestial ocean. One moment the airplane was lifted on terrific currents of air; the next, it dropped as if it were about to crash. The priest confessed that he shared the discomfort and fear of those around him. He said, "As I looked around the plane, I could see that nearly all the passengers were upset and alarmed. Some were praying. The future seemed ominous, and many were wondering if they would make it through the storm. Then, I suddenly saw a little girl. Apparently the storm meant nothing to her. She had tucked her feet beneath her as she sat on her seat; she was reading a book and everything within her small world was calm and orderly. Sometimes she closed her eyes, then she would read again; then she would straighten her legs, but worry and fear were not in her world. When the plane was being buffeted by the terrible storm, when it lurched this way and that, as it rose and fell with frightening severity, when all the adults were scared half to death, that marvelous child was completely composed and unafraid." The priest could hardly believe his eyes. It was not surprising therefore, that when the plane finally reached its destination and all the passengers were hurrying to disembark, our priest lingered to speak to the girl whom he had watched for such a long time. Having commented about the storm and behaviour of the plane, he asked why she had not been afraid. The child replied, "Father, my Dad is the pilot, and he is taking me home." There are many kinds of "storms" that buffet us. Physical, mental, financial, domestic, and many other storms can easily and quickly darken our skies and throw our "plane" into apparently uncontrollable movement. We have all known such times, and let us be honest and confess, it is much easier to be at rest when our feet are on the ground than when we are being tossed about a darkened sky. Let us remember: Our Eternal Father is the Pilot. He is in control and He is taking us home...

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BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU OR PASS  
IT ON TO SOMEONE ELSE. THANKS!

Year of  
**ST. JOSEPH**



# Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year [B] 2021

August/ September 2021	<b>St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan</b> <a href="http://www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk">www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.stbrideschurch.co.uk">www.stbrideschurch.co.uk</a> <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i>	<i>Fr. Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Fr. Gerry Hamill</i> <i>(Retired)</i>	<a href="http://www.stevenstonstjohns.com">www.stevenstonstjohns.com</a> <a href="http://www.rcsaltcoats.com">www.rcsaltcoats.com</a> <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 28 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year</b> Vigil Mass at 5.30pm (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for Anna Wanna Rungruangkanokkul (RD)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
<b>Sunday</b> 29 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>22<sup>nd</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 30 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Week of the Year</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for Jean Fenn (A), Jim Boyle (A), James McGrattan (A)</i>			
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> August	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Week of the Year</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for David Coia (RD), Mary Carrick (RD)</i>	Mass at 10am		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	<b>World Day of Prayer for Creation</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for Anna Wanna Rungruangkanokkul (RD), Robert Kelly (A)</i>		Mass at 10am (L)	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	<b>Requiem Mass for Valerie Bickers</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed)		Funeral Service (L) at 10am for <b>Michael Howie</b>	Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	<b>Memorial of St. Gregory the Great</b> Mass at 10am (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for Enis Delahunt (A), James Mullen (RD)</i> <b>Wedding Ceremony at 1 pm for Stephanie Boyle &amp; Robert Morrison</b>	Mass at 12 noon	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year</b> Vigil Mass at 5.30pm (Public & Live Streamed) <i>Offered for Phyllis Doherty (A), John Boyle (RD)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

## Thought for the Week

"You came to me discouraged and began telling me about the problems in the world. Then, in the midst of our conversation you asked me, "Do you think the world will ever change?" I replied, "The world will certainly change. The question is, will it change for the better or for the worse? The world will change if you and I keep changing. While you and I keep changing for the worse, the world will change for the worse. But, when you and I start changing for the better, the world will change for the better."



## 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, Harry Sammons, Jayne Adams, Peter Brawley, William Robinson,  
Kirsty Maher.*

### ✚ Those who have died recently:

*Valerie Bickers, Vera Gray, Peter Lloyd-Holt, Mary Carrick, David Coia, James Mullen, Edward Pllu, John Boyle,  
Anna Wanna Rungruangkanokkul (Sr. Marie Monique's sister).*

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

*John Kelly 2004, Michael Pollock 2008, Canon Eugene Dowd 2012, Sister Mary Peter 1999, James McGrattan 1982,  
John Stewart, Jim Duffy 2013, Sandra Rocks 2019, James Steele 2010, Thomas Wright 2008, John Dundas 2014,  
Flight Lieutenants Rick Harrison and Pete Mosley (air crash) 1994, Bert Kelly 2017, Grant Middlemiss 2005,  
Irene Millar 2000, John Sherry 2005, Samuel Cooper 1999, Elizabeth Loudon 1982, Joe Mallon 2016,  
James McCarthy 1985, Helen Mulhearn, Michael Brown 1958, Ella Kirk 1996, Canon Myles Moriarty 1989,  
Alex Doherty 2016, Cathie Mitchell 2006, Margaret Prince 2015, David Shaw 2015.*

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

- ▶ **REQUIEM MASS FOR VALERIE BICKERS** Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Valerie Elaine Bickers, who died on 15th August 2021, aged 75 years. Her Requiem Mass will be at St Peter's on Thursday, 2nd September 2021 at 10am, followed by Interment at Ardrossan Cemetery. May she rest in peace and rise in glory!
- ▶ **WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS** We are delighted to announce the wedding of Stephanie Boyle and Robert Morrison, who will be married on Friday, 3rd September at 1pm at St Peter's. We wish them a love for a lifetime!
- ▶ **THANK YOU** Betty would like to thank Canon Matt, Father Duncan, Father Boyd, Deacon Kevin Rennie, family, friends and neighbours for Mass & sympathy cards, flowers and for the support she was given on the death of her son James and her sister Jean. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered up for all.
- ▶ **WE NOW HAVE "QR CODES" IN OUR CHURCHES** St Peter's and St Bride's have now QR Codes in the entrance porches. His helps to register your name as you come to Mass. If you have a mobile phone you just photograph the QR Code, it takes you to the app and then you register. Easy!
- ▶ **ST. BRIDE'S SUNDAY TEAS** Tea and coffee will be served after Mass on Sunday 5 September and every following Sunday.
- ▶ **PILGRIMAGE TO ST NINIAN AT WHITHORN** There will be a coach leaving for Whithorn this Sunday 29th August at 10.45am prompt from St Mary's, Saltcoats. There are seats available. Please register your name at the Parish Office.
- ▶ **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
- ▶ **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.

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service for Anne Hughes, who died on the 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021, will be held in St. Mary's Saltcoats on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September with Mass at 11am. Anyone who knew Anne is welcome to attend.

### A CALL TO MINISTRY POST LOCKDOWN

As we are returning to 'normal' we are asking you to consider if you would be kind enough to help our Parish Community by taking part in one of the many important and worthwhile ministries needed to keep our church running in a way we have become accustomed to. We are especially needing people to help with the Childrens Liturgy group. We also would like to invite you to consider if you are being called to any other ministries such as a Reader, Cantor, Musician to name just a few. Some of these ministries may require us to carry out a PVG and safeguarding training. If you are interested please speak to Father Duncan or call the Parish Office on: 01294 464063. *Thank you.*

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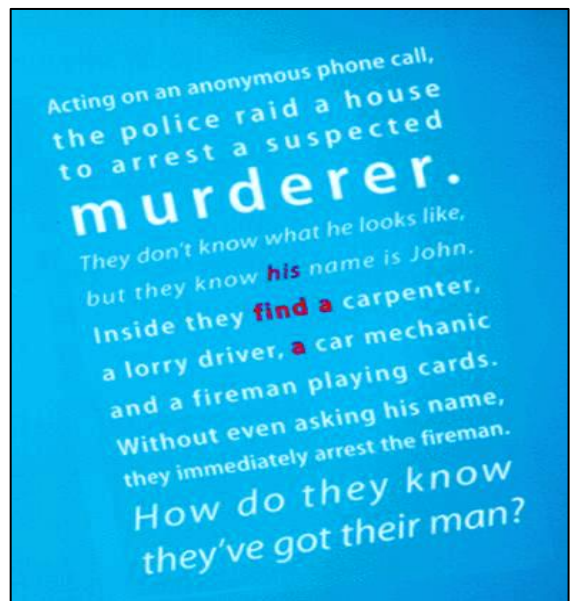
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*Many Thanks for your support and generosity!*



When I was young I was scared of the dark. Now when I see my electricity bill I am scared of the lights.



**Just for a Laugh...** A priest parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter. Then he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. Forgive us our trespasses." When he returned, he found a penalty from a traffic warden along with this note "I've walked this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket I'll lose my job. Lead us not into temptation."

Answer to Lateral Thinking:

All the other card players were women.



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