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32nd Sunday of the Year [B]

7th November 2021

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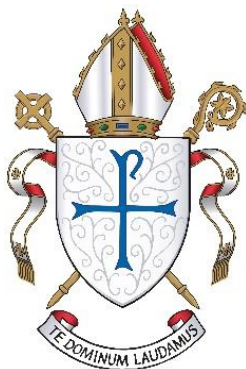
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St. Peter in Chains: Saturday
between 4.45pm-5.15pm.

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

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and St. Bride's,
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Mustard Seeds

✚ God's Embroidery

When I was a little boy, my mother used to embroider a great deal. I would sit at her knee and look up from the floor and ask what she was doing. She informed me that she was embroidering. I told her that it looked like a mess from where I was. As from the underside I watched her work within the boundaries of the little round hoop that she held in her hand, I complained to her that it sure looked messy from where I sat. She would smile at me, look down and gently say, "My son, you go about your playing for a while, and when I am finished with my embroidering, I will put you on my knee and let you see it from my side." I would wonder why she was using some dark threads along with the bright ones and why they seemed so jumbled from my view. A few minutes would pass and then I would hear Mother's voice say, "Son, come and sit on my knee." This I did only to be surprised and thrilled to see a beautiful flower or a sunset. I could not believe it, because from underneath it looked so messy. Then Mother would say to me, "My son, from underneath it did look messy and jumbled, but you did not realise that there was a pre-drawn plan on the top. It was a design. I was only following it. Now look at it from my side and you will see what I was doing." Many times through the years I have looked up to my Heavenly Father and said, "Father, what are You doing?" He has answered, "I am embroidering your life." I say, "But it looks like a mess to me. It seems so jumbled. The threads seem so dark. Why can't they all be bright?" The Father seems to tell me, "My child, you go about your business of doing My business, and one day I will bring you to Heaven and put you on My knee and you will see the plan from My side."



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.



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IT ON TO SOMEONE ELSE. *THANKS!*

Year of
ST. JOSEPH



Thirty-Second Sunday of the Year [B] 2021

November 2021	St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i>	<i>Fr. Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Fr. Gerry Hamill</i> <i>(Retired)</i>	www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com <i>Canon Martin Poland</i> <i>assisted by Fr. Benjamin Mkeri</i> <i>and Canon Matt McMamus (Retired)</i>	
	Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed	St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 6 th November	32nd Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Rosemary Duncan (RD)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
Sunday 7 th November	32nd Sunday of the Year Mass at 10.30am <i>Offered for our parishes</i>	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30 (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 8 th November	Memorial of Blessed John Duns Scotus Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Francis Clarke (A), Kathleen Fraser (A)</i>			Funeral Mass (L) at 10am for Danny Brown
Tuesday 9 th November	Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Patsy Hyslop (RD)</i>	Adoration 9.30 Mass at 10am <i>Offered for a Special Intention</i>		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 10 th November	Memorial of St. Leo the Great, Pope Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Anne Ward (A), John & Mary Jane Hutson (A)</i>		Mass at 10am (L)	
Thursday 11 th November	Memorial of St. Martin of Tours Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Catherine Sweeney (A), Roddy Monan (A)</i>			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 12 th November	Memorial of St. Josaphat Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Brian Monaghan (RD), Margaret Giblin (RD)</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 10.30 – 11am	Adoration 11.30 Mass at 12 noon	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 13 th November	33rd Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Hugh Brawley (A)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

Pope Francis delivers "Thought for the Day" on Radio 4

Here is an excerpt: "Climate change and the Covid-19 pandemic have exposed our deep vulnerability and raised numerous doubts and concerns about our economic systems and the way we organise our societies. We have lost our sense of security, and are experiencing a sense of powerlessness and loss of control over our lives. We find ourselves increasingly frail and even fearful, caught up in a succession of "crises" in the areas of health care, the environment, food supplies and the economy, to say nothing of social, humanitarian and ethical crises. All these crises are profoundly interconnected... very crisis calls for vision, the ability to formulate plans and put them rapidly into action, to rethink the future of the world, our common home, and to reassess our common purpose. These crises present us with the need to take decisions, radical decisions that are not always easy. At the same time, moments of difficulty like these also present opportunities, opportunities that we must not waste... All this represents an immense cultural challenge. It means giving priority to the common good, and it calls for a change in perspective, a new outlook, in which the dignity of every human being, now and in the future, will guide our ways of thinking and acting... The political decision makers who will meet at COP26 in Glasgow are urgently summoned to provide effective responses to the present ecological crisis and in this way to offer concrete hope to future generations. And it is worth repeating that each of us – whoever and wherever we may be – can play our own part in changing our collective response to the unprecedented threat of climate change and the degradation of our common home."

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Jim Boyle, Bill Holden, Pat Breen, Harry Sammons, Anne Marie Whannel.

✚ Those who have died recently:

Rosemary Duncan, Patsy Hyslop, Brian Monaghan, Margaret Giblin, Margo O'Hanlon, William Boyd, Alistair Dick, John Kernahan (Perth).

✚ Those who died at this time of Year:

Mary McDonald 2004, Lena McGhee 2000, John McGinness 2014, Liam Newall 2004, Sandra White 2010, Anne Ward 2018, Helene Adams 2016, Monica Fagan 1986, Jim McLaren 2005, John Craig 2012, Michael Dougan 2016, Joseph McAuliffe 2001, Jean McGowan 2010, Annie McNamara, Jane McNeil 2020, Alice McWhinnie 2009, Elizabeth Mary Moultrie 2000, Lyndsey Thomas née McLardy 2014, Father Cornelius Burke 1972, James Cummings 2005, Father Paul Felix 2016, Theresa Loudon 2020, Vivien Goldie 1998, Helen Gurney 2004, David Kelley, Henry Mons McIlroy 1966, Alec Murphy 1998, Catherine Sweeney, Annie Tracey 2000, Thomas Walsh 2002, James Cox, Canon John Donnelly 2003, James Dorrian 1977, Mary McCabe 1998, Peter McCourt 2009, James McGrath 2010, Daniel Murray 2006, Moira Shaw 1995, Bartholomew (Barney) Coby 2012, Mary Dalziel 2006, Helen Mallon 1987, Daniel McDougall 1944, Margaret McIntee 2017, Alex Miller 1979, James Smith 1999.

St. Bride's & Peter's Notices

► **CHANA - DONATIONS OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS** we are teaming up with the charity Night before Christmas (NB4CC) to provide those who are homeless and being supported by North Ayrshire Council a Christmas present. Last year we donated £790, not counting the direct donations. We would be delighted if people would contribute to this charity. This can be done by visiting NB4CC's "Justgiving" page <https://www.justgiving.com/nb4cc> or putting your donation in an envelope marked "NB4CC" in the church collection".

► **SYCAMORE MEETINGS IN OUR PARISHES** The next meeting will be on Monday, 8th November at 7.30pm at **St Bride's** and **St Peter's** will host its next meeting on Thursday, 11th November at 7pm at St Peter's Centre. Please come along and build up our Parish Communities with your support and presence.

► **ST PETER'S CHOIR** St Peter's choir music group meet on a Tuesday at 7pm in the church. We are looking for singers and musicians to join us. Everyone is welcome.

► **ST. PETER'S CHURCH PIETY STALL** If you should require purchasing anything i.e., Christmas Cards, Mass Cards, Religious Items etc. It is important that a face covering must be worn. *Thank you.*

► **ST PETER'S CAFE ON FRIDAYS** The Friday Cafe team invite you to join them in the snug cafe for refreshments after the Benediction on Fridays. Please come along if you can.

Next Sunday - Remembrance Sunday

There will be an ecumenical Service at the EU Church, Glasgow Street, at 1pm next Sunday, 14th November, afterwards we will meet at the Remembrance Garden. "They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we shall remember them."

Month of the Holy Souls

St. Paul of the Cross said, "If, during life, we have been kind to the suffering souls in Purgatory, God will see that help be not denied us after death." The entire month of November is dedicated in a special way to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. During this time, the faithful are encouraged to pray for them even more. We can have Masses said for the Holy Souls, visit cemeteries, and pray novenas. This is also a good time to think of our own soul and mortality, especially in regard to making a good Confession. No matter our sins, God can always change us from sinners to saints. As St. John Vianney said, "The saints did not all begin well, but they ended well."

For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission

This is the theme of the synod. The three dimensions of the theme—Communion, Participation and Mission—exist like 'pillars' for a synodal church. It helps to think of them like the legs of a three-legged stool—if one is in any way defective, the whole stool is not properly supported and cannot bear the weight it was built for. Communion refers to how we live and worship together as the People of God. Participation refers to how we serve one another using our natural and supernatural gifts and talents. Mission refers to our living witness as People of God. So during this synod on synodality, we will journey together through a series of encounters to explore how we are currently journeying together in Communion, Participation and Mission; and how the Holy Spirit might be inviting us to grow together in these areas. Next week: Companions on the Journey. **Our parish representatives for St. Peter's are Andrena Hughes and Catherine Anne Grant; St. Bride's, Phyllis Howie.**

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Prayer for the Month of November

God our Father, Your power brings us to birth,

Your providence guides our lives,

and by Your command we return to dust.

Lord, those who die still live in Your presence,

their lives change but do not end.

I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends,

and for all the dead known to You alone.

In company with Christ, Who died and now lives,

may they rejoice in Your kingdom,

where all our tears are wiped away.

Unite us together again in one family,

to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

Just for a Laugh... An 85 year old couple, having been married almost 60 years, had died in a car crash. They had been in good health the last ten years mainly due to her interest in health food, and exercise. When they reached the pearly gates, St. Peter took them to their mansion, which was decked out with a beautiful kitchen and master bath suite and Jacuzzi. As they "oohed and aahed" the old man asked Peter how much all this was going to cost. "It's free," St Peter replied, "this is Heaven." Next they went out back to survey the championship golf course that the home backed up to. They would have golfing privileges everyday and each week the course changed to a new one representing the great golf courses on earth. The old man asked, "what are the green fees?" Peter's reply, "This is heaven, you play for free." "Next they went to the club house and saw the lavish buffet lunch with the cuisines of the world laid out. "How much to eat?" asked the old man. "Don't you understand yet? This is heaven, it is free!" Peter replied with some exasperation. "Well, where are the low fat and low cholesterol tables?" the old man asked timidly. Peter lectured, "That's the best part...you can eat as much as you like of whatever you like and you never get fat and you never get sick. This is Heaven." With that the old man went into a fit of anger, throwing down his hat and stomping on it, and shrieking wildly. Peter and the wife both tried to calm him down, asking him what was wrong. The old man looked at his wife and said, "This is all your fault. If it weren't for your blasted all-bran muffins, health foods and low fat diets, we could have been here ten years ago!"

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