

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, 16th MAY 2021

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Holy Mass (regular timetable)

Largs: Saturday Vigil, 6pm; Sunday, 10am; Mon-Fri, 10am. Millport: Sunday, 12.15pm. All Masses live-streamed.

WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR

COMMEMORATION	READINGS
17/5: Monday, Week 7 of Easter	Proper Liturgical colour: white
18/5: Tuesday, Week 7 of Easter	Proper Liturgical colour: white
19/5: Wednesday, Week 7 of Easter	Proper Liturgical colour: white
20/5: Thursday, Week 7 of Easter	Proper Liturgical colour: white
21/5: Friday, Week 7 of Easter	Proper Liturgical colour: white
22/5: Saturday, Week 7 of Easter	Proper Liturgical colour: white
23/5: Pentecost Sunday	Proper Liturgical colour: red

MASS INTENTIONS

DATE & TIME	INTENTION
Sat 15/5, 6pm	John Hutchinson, D
Sun 16/5, 10am	All Parishioners
Sun 16/5, 12.15pm	Special Intention
Mon 17/5, 10am	Edmund Condron, RD
Tues 18/5	No Mass
Wed 19/5, 10am	Angus & Jessie Westley, D
Thurs 20/5, 10am	Rodney Macduff, RD
Fri 21/5, 10am	John Hutchinson, D
Sat 22/5, 6pm	Catherine MacAuley, D
Sun 23/5, 10am	All Parishioners
Sun 23/5, 12.15pm	Jack Sherlaw, RD

A = Anniversary of Death; RD = Recently Deceased; D = Deceased; S = Sick; SI = Special Intention

Sick: Margaret Gallagher, Maria Kelly (Millport), Lidia Tracey, Helen McShane, Peter Leitch, Colette McCafferty, Sarah McDougall, Bruce McDougall, Jessie Clements, Baby Ava May Cleary, Teresa Black, Peter McConville, Claire McConville, Lizzie Park, Ness Cranston, Francis Livingstone, Lorraine McBride, Tommy Monaghan, Marie Gómez Fernández, Margaret Rutherford, Martin Doherty, Ben Brownlie, Sheena Lane, William Percy, Roddy Galbraith, Donal Hughes, Jonny Bilchak, James Reddoch,

May Holland, Richard Dorman, Eileen Walker, James McGinty, Joseph Donnelly, Alistair Murphy, Isabella McNally, John Gunn, Eithne Brown, Mary Lyden, Murdoch MacDougall, Ylena Green, Peter Grant, Kenneth Reader, Toni Caughey, Richard Dawson, Susan Rose, Mary Boyce, Debbie Wallace, Hugh Millar, Brian Brady, Helen Jane MacDonald, Edward McMillan, Anton McCann, Eddie O'Brien, Kath Letham. **Recently Deceased:** Benet Brodie, Snr, Rodney Macduff, Jack Sherlaw. **Anniversary of Death:** Angus & Jessie Westley, John James McGowan. **Special Birthdays or Anniversaries:**

NOTICES

NO MASS THIS TUESDAY, 18th MAY: Please note that there will be no Mass from St. Mary's, either livestreamed or live, this coming Tuesday. I invite you to pray for Mr. Benet Brodie, Snr, whose funeral will take place in Ardrossan that morning.

LITURGY THIS WEEK: This last full week of Eastertide has no "interruptions" in terms of saints' days or funerals, so it is a good opportunity for us to savour this final week of alleluia's in honour of the Risen Lord. It is also a gift to us since we can prepare more intensely for the coming of the Spirit at Pentecost. Even if you might be late starting one, try and pray a Novena in preparation for next Sunday. You will find three possibilities on our website.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Please email or phone me (details at top of bulletin) to arrange a time for confession.

THE STEWART FAMILY (Largs): I remind everyone at St. Mary's that, on and around Pentecost Sunday, 23rd May, we will witness a great "bonanza" of grace being given by the Spirit to the Stewart family of Largs: Edward & Luciana, and their sons Isaac and Samuel. The whole family will receive the sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, the first time for Edward and Isaac. At the 10am Mass on Sunday, these two will then be formally received into the Church and confirmed. Edward & Luciana will then confer on each other the sacrament of Matrimony. Finally, they will all receive the sacrament of the Eucharist, the first time for Edward & Isaac. Let us all pray with great joy and gratitude to the Lord for the wonders of his love to them and to us!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (Largs): Our 2020 class for Holy Communion will at last be able to receive the Lord Jesus in this wonderful Sacrament. The first group will receive on **Sunday 6th June** at a special 12 Noon Mass; the second group will receive on **Sunday 13th June**, also at 12 Noon. I ask every parishioner to accompany the children, their parents and their teachers with your fervent prayers.

CONFIRMATIONS (Millport): Bishop Nolan will come to Millport to confirm the children who missed out last year. It will coincide with the parish's patronal feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour on 27th June.

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (Millport): We are looking at early October for first holy communions for the children in Millport. More details in due course.

SERVICE OF THE WORD: Sunday 16th May, at 6.30pm. “Mary the true Disciple.”

THURSDAY AGAPE: Please *deliberately* interrupt your Thursday evening (20th) to join the live-stream Agape for even a few minutes between 6.30-8pm.

PARISHES' ROSARY INTENTION: For a swift end to the covid-19 pandemic and a swift distribution of the vaccine to everyone, beginning with the most vulnerable.

PRAYERLINE: For prayers, phone: 078037 48251.

LETTER FROM CEO OF SPUC, SCOTLAND: “Dear Canon Magee, This month, SPUC Scotland is launching a new initiative to commemorate the gift of life and to particularly call to mind the many lives that have been lost in our country due to abortion. Our usual White Flower Appeals in parishes have been unable to take place for the last year. This is an important means to raise vital funds allowing us to defend the right to life, but it is also an opportunity for us to inform parishioners of the current issues around abortion.

New Government policies, facilitating DIY abortion, have made access to abortion easier than ever and have created a slippery path which many women have gone down, often with very little time to think or weigh up the gravity of their actions.

Each abortion extinguishes a tiny human life, filled with potential and each of these is a tragedy in its own right. Sadly, these lost lives are overlooked and forgotten by a society that has become numb to the scale and malice of abortion.

We want to remember each of these babies and pray that they are not forgotten but rather that their loss can compel us to save future victims of abortion.

SPUC knows that the tiny baby is the primary victim of abortion, but we also understand that there are so many others affected by it. The medics and politicians who put the framework in place to destroy life are themselves damaged in conscience by what they do and we also know that women who are put under pressure to have an abortion, can often suffer mentally and/or physically for many years after the event.

Our aim is to create a display of 14,000 flower images, one for every child lost to abortion in Scotland in one year. Bishop Toal will bless the physical display on Saturday, 22 May 2021 at Carfin Grotto when we create our ‘carpet of flowers for the unborn’.

We are hoping that individuals will be willing to sponsor a virtual flower and these can be purchased online at www.whiteflower.org.uk or call SPUC Scotland (0141 221 2094).

I would be most grateful if you are able to support this initiative by making your parishioners aware of it and praying for its success.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me. With every best wish, Mr. John Deighan, CEO”

SAFEGUARDING MOBILE PHONE NUMBERS: For direct access to our Parish Safeguarding Coordinators: 1) Largs (Gordon Sutherland) – 07707 598929; 2) Millport (.....) – 07852 753874.

SVDP PHONE NUMBER: 07950 586214. Please direct all enquiries and requests directly to this number.

ECCLESIASTICAL STUDENTS' FUND: At all Masses this weekend, there will be the third and last special collection to cover the costs of the training of seminarians.

SOCIAL COMMUNICATIONS: At all Masses on the weekend of 22-23 May, there will be a retiral collection for the important apostolate of the Church in Scotland in the area of social communications.

SSVDP: The St. Mary's conference of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul wishes to thank parishioners for the truly outstanding donations received at all times, but especially in the aftermath of Mgr. Peter's appeal late last year. Given the amount received, the conference has wanted to inform everyone of how the funds have been disbursed.

<i>Cause</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Largs Foodbank.	£350
St. Mary's Primary School	£150
Holy Spirit Conference	£200
Ozanam Centre, Glasgow	£300
Farmfoods' Vouchers	£100
Twin Conference	£240
National & Diocesan SSVDP	£570

The Ozanam Centre assisted the homeless and poor with food parcels and hot food in Glasgow during the worst of the pandemic. Farmfoods' vouchers were used in Largs to assist people in need locally. The Holy Spirit Conference runs a centre in Port Glasgow for young women. Our Twin SSVDP Conferences are in a parish in India and in a township in South Africa (£30 is given to each Conference quarterly). The National and Diocesan dues are used for projects at those levels and also for assisting poorer parishes where required. Practically none of the money is used for admin, since everyone involved volunteers.

FLOWER DONATIONS FOR FIRST COMMUNIONS (Largs): Any donation will be gratefully received.

BULLETIN: Requests for notices to be included in the weekly bulletin by 12 Noon on Wednesdays.