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**Holy Mass** (*all Masses live-streamed)*: *Largs:* Saturday Vigil, 6pm; Sunday, 10am. Weekday Mass, 10am. Mon-Fri, except 2nd Thursdays. *Millport:* Sunday, 12.15pm; 2nd Thursdays, 10am.

**WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR**

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| **COMMEMORATION** | **READINGS** |
| 29/11: Advent Feria. *For the grace of a strong faith.* | Advent week 1  Colour: violet |
| **30/11: Solemnity of St. Andrew, Patron Saint of Scotland.** *For the grace to witness to Christ in Scotland today.* | Proper  Colour: red |
| 1/12: Advent Feria. *For the grace to see the signs of Christ’s presence in my own life.* | Advent week 1  Colour: violet |
| **2/12: Requiem Mass for Mrs. Theresa Cassidy, RIP.** | Proper  Colour: violet |
| 3/12: St. Francis Xavier, Priest (d. 1552). **First Friday**. *For the grace of a missionary spirit where I am.* | Advent week 1  Colour: white |
| 4/12: Advent Ferial. | Advent week 1  Colour: Violet |
| **5/12: 2nd Sunday of Advent (Year C).** *For the grace to prepare myself to meet the Lord.* | Proper  Colour: violet |

**MASS INTENTIONS**

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| **DATE & TIME** | **INTENTION** |
| Sat 27/11, 6pm | All Souls |
| Sun 28/11, 10am | All Parishioners |
| Sun 28/11, 12.15pm | All Souls |
| Mon 29/11, 10am | All Souls |
| Tues 30/11, 10am | All Souls |
| Wed 1/12, 10am | Ruth Hirai, RD |
| **Thurs 2/12, 12 Noon, Millport** | Mrs. Theresa Cassidy, RIP |
| Fri 3/12, 10am | Roseann Elliott, A |
| Sat 4/12, 6pm | Josephine MacLean, RD |
| Sun 5/12, 10am | All Parishioners |
| Sun 5/12, 12.15pm | Ellen Grant, D |

*A = Anniversary of Death; RD = Recently Deceased; D = Deceased; S = Sick; SI = Special Intention; RIP = Requiem Mass*

**Sick:** Margaret Gallagher, 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, Margaret Rutherford, Martin Doherty, Ben Brownlie, Sheena Lane, William Percy, Roddy Galbraith, Donal Hughes, Jonny Bilchak, James Reddoch, May Holland, Richard Dorman, Eileen Walker, Cynthia McGinty, Joseph Donnelly, Alistair Murphy, Isabella McInally, Eithne Brown, Mary Lyden, Murdoch MacDougall, Ylena Green, Peter Grant, Kenneth Reader, Toni Caughey, Mary Boyce, Debbie Wallace, Hugh Millar, Anton McCann, Rena Lee, Brian Gilligan, Mima Hamilton, Mary Chalmers, Baby Michael Allison, Stephanie Fisher, Liam McDermott, Mari Richards, Jean Gregan, Frank McCarthy, Aaron Brown, Baby Ethan Ferguson, Harry Sammons, Patricia Maxwell. **Recently Deceased**: Tessa Cassidy, William Percy, John McGhie, Agnes Murray, John McGinley, Betty Glancy. **Anniversary of Death**: John Paul McKay.

**NOTICES**

MRS. THERESA CASSIDY, RIP (Millport): With great sorrow, I announce the death of Tessa Cassidy, a Millport parishioner, who passed to God on Sunday 21st November. May she rest in peace. On behalf of everyone, I offer our deepest condolences to Trish and Tony and assure them of our prayers for their mum’s eternal glory and for their own comfort and peace at this difficult time. The funeral Mass will take place this coming Thursday, 2nd December, at 12 Noon at the church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Millport. Tessa will be buried in the grounds of the Cathedral of the Isles on Millport. Please note: *There will be no 10am Mass in Largs on that day.*

SAINT ANDREW’S DAY: Monday 30th November is the Solemnity of the Principal Patron of Scotland, Saint Andrew the Apostle. I invite everyone really to make a celebration of the day, especially by coming along to Mass at 10am that morning or by watching it later on the livestream. Wear something red to mark his martyrdom, and something blue for Scotland. We need to PRAY to St. Andrew for our country, for the Church in our country and for a reawakening of faith and of a generous sense of civic duty. As families, take a moment to stop and pray together for St. Andrew’s protection for you and for those you love. Why not visit someone who is sad or alone and do it out of love for Andrew and for the Lord he served?

BAPTISM OF ALBA DAVIS (St. Mary’s): On Saturday 4th December at 12 Noon, we will have the joy of welcoming into the Church, through the conferral of the Sacrament of Baptism, baby Alba Davis, daughter of Fiona and Stephen Davis. It would be good if parishioners could attend the baptism as a sign of welcome to the child and of support to her parents.

LITURGY THIS WEEK: Advent is upon us! It is a season of real hope: hope in the Lord who will come at the end of our lives and of time to take us to himself; hope also because of the strength and sense of purpose He gave us by first coming to us in the flesh on Christmas night.

How we need *true* hope today! How we need the sense of perspective it gives: our sufferings will not last for ever and, indeed, we can defiantly use them to prepare us in patience to welcome the Lord. So, ask for the grace of a deep and courageous hope in the Lord during this Advent, that he may lift up your heart in trust and joy in His great love for you! Don’t let the fear of Covid, the flu or even death determine your mood. They will all pass. Your hope will be fulfilled.

As well as St. Andrew, we also recall a courageous witness of hope this week in the person of St. Francis Xavier, an undaunted and intrepid missionary for Christ.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 1) Largs Parish Hall. Saturdays, 5-5.45pm & Monday after 10am Mass. 2) Millport, after 10am Mass on second Thursdays. In an emergency, don’t hesitate to call Fr. Peter.

AGAPE (St. Mary’s): This coming first Thursday, 2nd December, from 6.30-8pm. Why not come along and consider it as a mini-retreat during Advent time to prepare spiritually for Christmas?

MILLPORT ROSARY GROUP: The Rosary Group meets in the church on Thursday afternoons at 2 pm. For more information, contact Linda Reynolds 01475 530 417.

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.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY: This weekend, Saturday/Sunday 27-28 November. This year’s theme is “Celebrating and Worshipping” and emphasizes the spiritual formation of the school community. If you would like information on becoming a teacher in our Catholic schools, please email to: [mail@sces.uk.com](http://mail@sces.uk.com)

PRAYERLINE: Please ring 01475 673 682.

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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (St. Mary’s): Next meeting is on Tuesday 30th November at 7.30pm, preceded by Exposition from 7pm.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL (St. Mary’s): Next meeting is on Tuesday 7th December at 7.30pm, preceded by Exposition from 7pm.

SYCAMORE (St. Mary’s): The last meeting of the current cycle will be on Wednesday Dec1st, from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Hall, preceded by a half hour of prayer from 7pm in the church. The format for the meeting is a professional video presentation lasting about 20 mins with intervals for group discussion. Everyone is welcome!

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: *We continue this week a series of bulletin inserts prepared by the Diocesan Synod Team, to help educate and prepare us to celebrate the Synod in our parishes*:

**Synod Topic Three - Speaking Out:** We are invited to speak out boldly and responsibly. What helps us to do this? *What prevents us from doing this? How does the relationship with local media work (not only Catholic media)? How well do we choose the people who speak on our behalf to the wider community?* Fr. Stephen Latham has created a short video reflection, which is available on the diocesan webpage gallowaydiocese.org.uk/synod-news, and at <https://youtu.be/pSHHnlnsI5U>, to help you consider these questions. The diocesan team will be pleased to receive all feedback on these questions at [synod@gallowaydiocese.org.uk](http://synod@gallowaydiocese.org.uk), which will also be addressed at parish synod encounters in the coming weeks.

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND CALENDARS (St. Mary’s): Now on sale at the parish repository. Cards and Gifts will also be on sale in the Parish Hall on the following days and times: After the 10am and 6pm Masses on Saturday, 27th November; after the 10am Mass on Sunday, 28th November.

BOYS’ BRIGADE POST (St. Mary’s): This will be available after all Masses on the weekends of 27/28 November and 4/5 December. Cards for Largs only, please. 25p per card. Please put both the card and the money in the post box available.

MONASTERY CHRISTMAS FAYRE: 4th December. Doors open at 12.46pm. Tickets available after Masses 27/28 November (in both church porch and hall).

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

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS LITURGIES

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| *Date* | Largs | Millport |
| *Tuesday 14/12* | Penitential Service, 2pm; Confessions | --- |
| *Thursday 16/12* | Carol Service, 7pm | --- |
| *Tuesday 21/12* | Penitential Service, 7pm; Confessions | --- |
| *Christmas Eve*  *Friday 24/12* | Mass, 7.30pm , Carols from 7pm | Mass, 4.15pm |
| *Christmas Day Saturday 25/12* | Mass, 10am  NO evening Mass | *No Mass* |
| *Holy Family*  *Sunday 26/12* | Mass, 10am  Mass, 6pm | Mass, 12.15pm |