

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A), 14th MAY 2023

THE FATHER WILL GIVE YOU ANOTHER ADVOCATE (John 14:15-21)

SAINT MARY, STAR OF THE SEA

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Holy Mass (all Masses in person & live-streamed)

Largs: Vigil, 6pm; Sunday, 10am. Weekday Mass, 10am, Mon-Fri, except 2nd Thursdays.

Millport: Sunday, 12.15pm; 2nd Thursdays, 10am.

Reconciliation or Confession

Largs: Saturdays, 5-5.45pm; Mondays, after 10am Mass.

Millport: After 10am Mass every 2nd Thursday.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

COMMEMORATION	READINGS & MASS INTENTION
14/5: Sixth Sunday of Easter - white.	Proper Kevin Grant, D (6pm Vig.) All Parishioners (10am) Nancy Celli, D (12.15pm)
15/5: Feria - white	Easter Week 6, Mon Marco Sambucci, S
16/5: St. Simon Stock, Priest & Religious (d. 1265) - white	Easter Week 6, Tue Agnes Devine, D
17/5: Solemnity: Vigil Mass of the Ascension, 7pm [Largs]	Proper Arthur Sambucci, RD
18/5: Solemnity of the Ascension, 10am [Largs] 12.15pm [Millport]	Proper All Parishioners Katie Laggan, RD
19/5: Our Lady (of Tears) - blue	Easter, Week 6, Fri Duncan Campbell, D
20/5: Nuptial Mass of Siobhan Marie Warden & Keith Christopher Peter Millar	Proper Mr & Mrs Keith Millar
21/5: Sixth Sunday of Easter - white.	Proper Sutherland Family (SI) (6pm V) All Parishioners (10am) Diaz Cortez, D (12.15pm)

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

Sick: Margaret Gallagher, Helen McShane, Colette McCafferty, Bruce McDougall, Jessie Clements, Baby Ava May Cleary, Teresa Black, Peter McConville, Claire McConville, Francis Livingstone, Martin Doherty, Ben Brownlie, Sheena Lane, Donal Hughes, Jonny Bilchak, James Reddoch, May Holland, Richard Dorman, Eileen Walker, Joseph Donnelly, Alistair Murphy, Isabella McInally, Eithne Brown, Mary Lyden, Ylena Green, Peter Grant, Kenneth Reader, Toni Caughey, Mary Boyce, Hugh Millar, Anton McCann, Rena Lee, Jim Lee, Brian Gilligan, Liam McDermott, Frank McCarthy, Baby Ethan Ferguson, Harry Sammons, Henry McMonagle, Kenneth Manners, Joseph Bennett, Margaret Bennett, Suzanne Kerr, Stephanie Fisher, Val Manners, Charles Shaw, Janice Hamilton, Peter Kelly, James Martin, Chris Hyde, Robert Macmillan, Patricia Brown, John & Elizabeth Robertson, Barry Smith, Natasha McNicol, John Stewart, Suzanne Kelly, Helen Raymond, Margaret Fitzpatrick, William McGrath, Jacqueline Docherty, Mgr. Thomas Canon Egan, Kenneth Collins, Mary McCaffrey, Margaret Maguire, Tom Maguire, Peter Aitken, Mary Hudson, Margaret MacMillan, Betty O'Donnell, Mother Mary Bennet, Linda Scott, Ann Clark, Marco Romano Sambucci, Tom Lennon. **Recently Deceased:** Lizzie Park, Arthur Sambucci, Rita D'Arcy, Katie Laggan, Ian Henry Johnston, Patricia O'Neill, Theresa Hynes, Bernadette Clarke, Anne Taggart, Manuela Diaz Cortez, Antonio Diaz Cortez, Angela Diaz Cortez. **Anniversary of Death:** John James McGowan, Edna Walker, Ruth Jane Parker, Kath Letham.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Day	Largs	Millport
Sunday 2 only	9.20-9.55am (S)	4-5pm (S)
Monday	9.20-9.55am (R) 2-3pm (R) (H)	---
Tuesday	9.20-9.55am (R)	---
Wednesday	9.20-9.55am (R)	---
Thursday 1, 3, 4 (& 5)	9.20-9.55am (R)	1.45pm (R)
Thursday 1 only	6.30-8pm (R)	---
Thursday 2 only	---	9-9.55am (R) 2-3pm (R)
Friday	9.20-9.55am (R)	---
Saturday 2 only	5-5.55pm (S)	---

S = Silent; R = Rosary; H = Hall

Please note: no adoration or rosary prior to a funeral.

Psalm Response if sung (Vigil & Sunday Masses): Cry out with joy to God all the earth, alleluia.

NOTICES

LIZZIE ANDERSON PARKE, RIP (Millport): I regret to announce the recent death of Lizzie Parke at the Lady Margaret Hospital, Cumberae, fortified by the Rites of the Church. May the Lord receive her into His merciful embrace and bring consolation and peace to her family and friends. The Requiem Mass will be on Monday 22nd May at 12 Noon at the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Millport, followed by burial in the Millport cemetery.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD: Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are as appears on the table opposite. St. Mary's Primary children will be present for the 10am Mass on Thursday morning at 10am. Please note that, because of the Ascension Vigil Mass at 7pm on Wednesday, there will be no 10am Mass on Wednesday morning.

NUPTIAL MASS: On Saturday 20th May at 1pm we will celebrate with joy the holy sacrament of Matrimony between

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Siobhan Warden (originally from Fairlie) and Keith Millar (Co Kildare). May the Lord bless and guide them with His enduring love throughout many happy years of marriage! Let's pray for them during this week.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION BEFORE WEEKEND

MASSES (St. Mary's): As of 13/14 May, and on a trial basis, there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before the 6pm Vigil Mass (from 5pm) and the Sunday 10am Mass (from 9.20am) on the *second* weekends of the month. Prayerful preparation before Mass is an ancient and spiritually beneficial practice.

CORPUS CHRISTI (St. Mary's): The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ takes place on 10/11 June this year. As a special occurrence, the group known as Life in the Eucharist (LITE) which works out of St. Columba's Parish in Glasgow, now run by the Blessed Sacrament Fathers. As part of their work, they promote faith in and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament also under the patronage of Blessed Carlo Acutis. The group will mount an exhibition in the parish hall of the Eucharistic Miracles documented by Bl. Carlo on the website he created for this purpose. The exhibition will be open from 11am-8pm on Saturday 10th June and from 11am-6pm on Sunday 11th. There will be videos, a side exhibition on Bl. Carlo, the sale of religious items, including for children, and more. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held all day in St. Mary's from 11am-6pm on both days. I encourage your attendance for some part of these activities.

LITURGY THIS WEEK: Eastertide brings us this week the great joy of Christ's Ascension into heaven (Thursday) and the "ascent" into Holy Matrimony of a young couple, Siobhan and Keith, in the strength of Christ's risen love (Saturday).

After a quiet Mass on Monday morning, we celebrate St. Simon Stock (1165-1265) on Tuesday morning. He was an English Carmelite Priest who became General of his order. His reforms to the Carmelites led to great growth of the order, especially in England.

Devotion to Our Lady of Tears dates from 1494 in Spoleto, Italy. It is said that Our Lady wept for the suffering being undergone at the time due to the plague and pestilence. Tears are sadly part of many lives today. Let's ask Our Lady of tears on Friday to comfort those weighed down by sorrow, distress and depression.

FATHER DUNCAN McVICAR: Fr. Duncan, a Schoenstatt priest, will come to St. Mary's to give a talk on Our Lady on the evening of Tuesday 23rd May at 7pm. I encourage everyone to come along.

A MUSICAL EVENING WITH MARY (St. Mary's):

Friday 26th May from 7.30-8.30pm. The evening will include favourite hymns, solo singing and instrumentals, poetry and prayer. Come along to celebrate the Queen of the May!

PARISHES' 2024 PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI: 8-13 February 2024. More details and booking forms can be had from the parish office (9.30am-1.30pm, Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri). For more information, contact Tim Bray on 07709 921 807 or braytim@outlook.com Please don't leave booking your place until the last minute: **come forward now!**

PARISH HALL COMMITTEE (St. Mary's): The next PHC meeting is on Tuesday 30th May at 7.30pm in the parish hall, preceded by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church. I will expose the Sacrament at about 6.30pm, but invite PHC members to come just when/if they can.

YOUTH HUB (St. Mary's): The next Youth Hub will be on Friday 26th May from 6.30-8pm. All children from P7 to S3 are welcome to attend and enjoy the food, fun and fellowship! Contact: Ed Stewart on Tel. 07796 209986, and edwardastewart70@gmail.com, for further information.

ST. MARY'S BOOK CLUB: A meeting to discuss the setting up of a book club in St. Mary's parish will take place on Tuesday 30th May after the 10am Mass. If you enjoy reading and discussing what you read, please come along. The aim is to deepen our understanding of our Catholic faith, but also to share food, fellowship and friendship. We would meet once per month at lunch time. Our meeting on 30th May will be to discuss a schedule and propose a selection of books for the first few months. Please contact Fiona Phipps on fiona@macvane.com to confirm attendance at the first meeting or with any questions or suggestions you may have. Everyone is welcome!

PRAYERLINE: Please ring 07746 923 680 if you need prayerful support.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING (St. Mary's): 2pm on Fridays in the parish hall.

SPECIAL COLLECTION for Social Communications at all Masses 20/21 May. Gift Aid envelopes.

BULLETIN NOTICES: By 12 Noon on Wednesdays.

Eucharistic Saints

ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH (d. early 1st cent.)

St. Ignatius can be described as a "passionate" lover of Christ, especially in the Eucharist. He called himself "Theophorus" meaning "bearer of God." We are all Theophorus when we receive the Eucharist. Indeed, we are all Christophorus, "bearer of Christ."

Ignatius wrote in his letter to the Romans: "I have no taste for corruptible food nor for the pleasures of this life. I desire the bread of God, which is the flesh of Jesus Christ, who was of the seed of David; and for drink I desire his blood, which is love incorruptible" (7:3 [A.D. 110]). Ignatius did not approach the Eucharist as a "thing" but as the living and risen Christ. For him, the Eucharist meant a living encounter and union with the Lord.