

Gospel Reflection *Matthew 21:28-32*

Jesus is really challenging us in this gospel. Many of us have said yes to God by our baptism and membership of the Church, but can we say that we always carry out what God is asking us to do? Do we think that because we are practising Christians we are in a privileged position? Do we spend a lot of time praying in church but not doing much loving outside of it? Do we find ourselves speaking in a critical or condescending way of less devout Christians or of people who do not seem to be very moral by our standards?

Possibly, after some honest reflection, we may have to admit that we are not really in a position to sit in judgement of others. As Christmas approaches, let us be followers of the Lord in deeds as well as words.

source: Irish Jesuits

REQUEST FROM FATHER JAMES:

Does anyone have an unwanted

two-seater sofa to donate

to Fr James? If so, he

would be delighted to hear from you!



ST MARY'S OFFERTORY DONATIONS

(First Collection) A/c name:

FOR R.C. DIOCESE OF ABERDEEN,
ST MARY'S BEAULY

Acc: 00711527

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ULLAPOOL CHURCH ROOF APPEAL

Bank Sort Code: 80-05-17

Account Name: Ullapool & Gairloch
St Martin of Tours

Account No: 10109462

RC Diocese of Aberdeen,
Reg. Scottish Charity SC005122

FOND FAREWELL JOSEPHINE

Yer no awa' tae bide awa'

Mrs Josephine Anyaegbu, the mother of Father James will be travelling back to Nigeria on Thursday morning. We wish her a safe return journey and pray that God bless her and her family.

St Joseph's RC Primary School new website address

www.stjosephsrcprimary.com

ST. JOSEPH'S RC
PRIMARY
SCHOOL
celebrates
80
years
1943 - 2023

We warmly extend an invitation to all past pupils, teachers, staff, clergy, councillors and members of our Catholic community to join us to celebrate on Wednesday 4th October. All are welcome!

Wednesday 4th October 2023

Mass in St. Mary's, Inverness at 1pm
Followed by an Open Afternoon
in St. Joseph's where photos and
archives will be on display.

St Mary's 100 Club Draw (Sept)

1st Helen Perry

2nd Mrs Margaret Durdle

3rd Mrs Sara Simpson

Monday 25 Sept-Sunday 8 Oct
The Shroud of Turin Exhibition
St. Mary's Cathedral, Aberdeen.



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Sunday 1 October 2023

26th Sunday of the Year – A

Sunday Mass Times

ST MARY'S BEAULY 11:00am

OUR LADY & ST BEAN, MARYDALE 9:00am
(Confessions, 1st Sun) no Mass 2nd Sunday

ST MARY'S ESKADALE

2nd Sunday in the month, 9:00am

ST MARTIN'S ULLAPOOL

1st 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month, 2:30pm

ST MAELRUBHA'S POOLEWE

2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 2:30pm

LOCHINVER : To be arranged

FORT AUGUSTUS Sun 11:00am, Fri 12:30pm

Weekday Mass Times & Devotions

Tuesday Mass 10:00am (Beauly)

Wednesday 5:30pm (Marydale)
7:00pm (Beauly)

Thursday 10:00am (Beauly)

Friday Mass 10:00am (Beauly)

Fort Augustus: Mass 12:30pm

Confession: call by the Parish House,
phone, or email to make appointment.

Next Sunday 8 Oct 2023

27th Sunday of the Year – A

Eskadale 9:00am, Beauly 11:00am,
Fort Augustus 11:00am (livestream),
Poolewe 2:30pm

Mass Intentions

Sun: Okechukwu Nwosu (RIP)

Mark Perry (RIP)

Tues: Chris Page (God's Grace)

Wed: Don Fraser (RIP)

Thurs:

Fri:

Please pray for the sick of our parishes and all who ask for our prayers.

Liturgical Calendar

Mon 2 Oct: The Holy Guardian Angels –

Memorial. The Church teaches that God assigns an angel or angels to guard us during our life on earth, illustrating God's providential care for each of us.

Wed 4 Oct: Saint Francis of Assisi, he was the first to introduce the practice of a Christmas crib in churches. He is associated with a love for animals and an esteem for the natural world. He died in 1226, leaving letters, sermons, treatises and hymns.

Thurs 5 Oct: Saint Faustina Kowalska (1905-38): Devotion to the Divine Mercy of Jesus is now widespread. There is now a vast new basilica alongside her convent is now a place of pilgrimage and prayer.

Fri 6 Oct: Saint Bruno (1030-1101)

Sat 7 Oct: Memorial of Our Lady of The Rosary instituted in thanksgiving for the victory over the Ottomans at Lepanto, 1571.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES (OCTOBER)

Valerie Hunter-Gordon, Robert Fraser,
Ishbel Ann Metcalfe, Arabella
Vanneck, Mark Perry, Christine
Nickolls, Alan Brunning, Okechukwu
Nwosu.

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 18:25-28

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: ‘You object, “What the Lord does is unjust.” Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.’

The Word of The Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 24(25):4-9

Response: *Remember your mercy, Lord.*

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:

for you are God my saviour.

R/

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth.

In your love remember me,

because of your goodness, O Lord.

R/

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,

He guides the humble in the right path,

He teaches his way to the poor.

R/

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:1-5

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people’s interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

The Word of The Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, ‘What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, “My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today.” He answered, “I will not go,” but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, “Certainly, sir,” but did not go. Which of the two did the father’s will?’ ‘The first’ they said. Jesus said to them, ‘I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.’

The Gospel of The Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PRAYER BEFORE THE HOMILY

We will make our lives your dwelling place.

We will build your throne in our hearts.

Come Father,

Come Son,

Come Holy Spirit,

O come and take your place in our lives.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH NO. 1

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.
