Gospel Reflection John 2:13-25

Jesus signed his death warrant when he cast commerce out of the temple. He stood up for the truth about God and about religion and the poor, as the business people of the temple were exploiting the poor with high prices. Lent gives us new insights into how Jesus lived his life, always within the shadow of his death. Even this scene at the start of the gospel has us remembering that this would lead him to death and to glory. The glory of God here is Jesus fully alive to the exploitation of the poor, the mistreatment of the house of God, and fully alive to the faith that was beginning to grow in his disciples.

Source: Irish Jesuits

ST MARY'S OFFERTORY (Sun 25 Feb.)

First & Second Collections combined (*last Sunday in the month*): **£404.70**

Next Sunday (4th Sunday of Lent) the second collection will be for SCIAF.

ULLAPOOL CHURCH ROOF APPEAL

<u>A/c Name:</u> Ullapool & Gairloch St Martin of Tours Account No:**10109462** Sort Code: **80-05-17**

ST MARY'S DONATIONS

(1st Collection - Running Account) <u>A/c name:</u> FOR R.C. DIOCESE OF ABERDEEN, ST MARY'S BEAULY Account number: 00711527 Sort Code 80-05-61

(2nd Collectiion Fabric Account) A/c name: RCD OF ABERDEEN – RCD BEAULY ST. MARY'S Account No: 10031469 Sort Code: 80-05-61

ST JOSEPH'S HIGHLAND DEANERY STATION MASSES 2024

Each mass will take place on Friday evenings at 7:0pm

8 March -- St Aidan's, Aviemore 15 March -- St Joseph's, Invergordon, with Bishop Hugh

22 March -- St Ninian's, Inverness

St Mary's Beauly 100 Club February Draw

1 Mrs Catherine Paterson 2 Nell Ritchie *(Alisdair's dog)* 3rd Callum MacPherson

Feast of St John Ogilvie Mass will be celebrated at St Thomas' Church, Keith on Saturday 9th March at 11:00. You are invited to come along early and have a look around the St. John Ogilvie Shrine in the Church. Everyone Welcome!



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Sunday 3^{rd} March2024 3^{rd} Sunday of Lent – B

Sunday Mass Time

ST MARY'S BEAULY 11:00am OUR LADY & ST BEAN, MARYDALE 9:00am (Confessions, 1st Sun) <u>no</u> 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

Tues Mass 7:00pm (Beauly)

WedStations of the Cross/Mass5:00pm/5:30pm (Marydale)Stations of the Cross/Mass7:00pm/7:30pm (Beauly)Stations of the Cross 7:00pm (Fort Augustus)

ThursMass 10:00am (Beauly)FridayMass 10:00am (Beauly)Mass 12:30pm (Fort Augustus)

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

<u>Next</u> Sunday 10TH March 2024 4th Sunday of Lent – B

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



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Mass Intentions

Sun: Page Family Fort Augustus: Libby Grey Tues: Wed: Thurs: Fri: Andrew Shaunassy Please pray for the sick of our parishes and all who ask for our prayers.

Liturgical Calendar

Mon 4 Mar: Opt. Mem. Saint Casimir (1458-1484) patron of Poland. Thurs 7 Mar: Opt. Comm. of Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity who were among a group of catechumens arrested in Carthage in 203. They were baptised in prison. Perpetua had just given birth and her father pleaded unsuccessfully for her to renounce her new faith. Felicity was a slave and pregnant. They were thrown to the lions. Both have a permanent mention in the First Eucharistic Prayer.

Fri 8 Mar: Commemoration of **Saint Duthac**, Bishop, a native Scot, noted for his zealous apostolate in Ross-shire. On his death in 1065, he was buried in Tain.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES (MARCH)

Alexander 'Sandy' Ritchie, John Fraser, Marion Friel, Michael Elliot, Karl Storey.

FIRST READING

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

Fxodus 20:1-17

'You shall have no gods except me.

'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill. 'You shall not commit adultery. 'You shall not steal. 'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

> The Word of The Lord Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 18(19):8-11

Response: You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple.

R/

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes.

R/

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

R/

They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb.

R/

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:22-25 . While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

> The Word of The Lord Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn11:25, 26 Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;

whoever believes in me will never die. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL

Iohn 2.13-25 Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three

days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said. During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them: he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had 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. 3

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.