

## Gospel Reflection

John 15:1-8

How do I abide in the Lord? Above all by prayer, raising my heart and mind to God each morning.

Sometimes we resist pruning. We do not understand that pruning is vital if we are to bring forth new life. We must trust God's pruning process. God's thoughts, words and values must displace our earthbound ones. Only so will we become like the Lord.

Source: Irish Jesuits

## Confirmations: 05 May 2024

Bishop Hugh Gilbert, OSB, will be at St. Mary's Beaulieu for the Confirmation of five of our children: Ania Lintern, Annie-Jane Simpson, Arabela Simpson, Zane Findlay and Ashton Kalata. May we keep them in our prayers.

## ST MARY'S OFFERTORY (Sun 21<sup>st</sup> April)

Offertory collection: £ 194.60

Second collection: £ 139.87

## ULLAPOOL CHURCH ROOF APPEAL

A/c Name:

Ullapool & Gairloch St Martin of Tours

Account No: 10109462

Sort Code: 80-05-17

## ST MARY'S DONATIONS

(1<sup>st</sup> Collection - Running Account)

A/c name:

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

Account number: 00711527

Sort Code 80-05-61

(2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Fabric Account)

A/c name:

RCD OF ABERDEEN – RCD BEAULIEU ST. MARY'S

Account No: 10031469

Sort Code: 80-05-61

## SECOND COLLECTION FOR VOCATIONS

Today

Beaulieu & Fort Augustus

## Bishops urge Catholics to reject 'dangerous' assisted suicide proposal

In a pastoral letter addressed to all Scotland's Catholics, the bishops of Scotland ask them to urge their MSPs to reject the recently published assisted suicide proposals.

The letter will be read out in all Scotland's 460 Catholic parishes, at all Masses on 27 and 28 April.

## Parish Fund Raising Event

**St Andrew's Day** (Saturday 30 November) coincides with a parish fund raising event to be held in the Phipps Hall, Beaulieu. The hall has been booked in advance and though the exact format of the event has not been considered, we would like to give you advance notice of the date.

Suggestions for the format are very welcome. There will certainly be a raffle draw for the sum of £1000 and other prizes.

An organising committee would need to be brought together and for this we need volunteers with fresh ideas.

A sheet for volunteers can be found on the table at the back of the church, if you could just add your name and we will make contact at some point to organise a meeting.

**St Mary's Beaulieu First Aid:** A necessary requirement for our church is that we should have named people with experience or qualifications who could assist with First aid should an emergency develop during Mass

If you have the necessary experience, please speak with Donal Bolger or Donald Shaw (Health & Safety Team).

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**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – B**

## Sunday Mass Time

ST MARY'S BEAULIEU 11:00am

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

ST MARY'S ESKADALE

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in the month, 9:00am

ST MARTIN'S ULLAPOOL

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

ST MAELRUBHA'S POOLEWE

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 (Beaulieu)

**Wed** Rosary @ 5:00pm (Marydale)  
(each 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed in the month),  
Mass 5:30pm (Marydale)  
Mass 7:00pm (Beaulieu)

**Thurs** Mass 10:00am (Beaulieu)

**Friday** Mass 10:00am (Beaulieu)  
Mass 12:30pm (Fort Augustus)

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

**Next Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - B**

Marydale 9:00am, Beaulieu 11:00am,

Fort Augustus 11:00am

Ullapool 2:30pm

## Mass Intentions

**Sun:** Page Family (God's Grace and Love)

**Tues:**

**Wed:**

**Thurs:**

**Fri:**

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

## Liturgical Calendar

**Mon 29 April:** Feast of **Saint Catherine of Siena** (1347-1380) While still young she had mystical experiences in prayer which led her to receiving the stigmata. Declared a Doctor of the Church in 1970.

**Tues 30 April:** Opt. Mem. of **Saint Pius V** (1504-1572). Pope Pius V pulled the Church out of the chaos caused by the Reformation, through the measures introduced after the Council of Trent.

**Wed 1 May:** Opt. Mem. of **Saint Joseph the Worker** instituted by Pope Pius XII in 1955 to state clearly that the Church was also interested in the rights and dignity of workers.

**Thurs 2 May:** Memorial of **St Athanasius**, Bishop of Alexandria (Egypt)

**Fri 3 May:** Feast of St Philip and St James two of the twelve Apostles. St Philip spread the Faith in Greece and Turkey (martyred in AD80). St James (the Lesser) was bishop of Jerusalem and martyred in AD 62

## DEATH ANNIVERSARIES (MAY)

Miriam Campbell, Irene Robertson,  
Alfons Jankowski, Gerald Welsh, Canon  
Duncan Stone

## FIRST READING

*Acts 9:26-31*

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

*The Word of The Lord*  
**Thanks be to God**

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## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalms 21(22):26-28,30-32*

**Response:** *You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.*

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.

They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.

May their hearts live for ever and ever!  
**R/**

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,  
all families of the nations worship before him;  
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust.

**R/**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.  
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,  
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:  
'These things the Lord has done.'

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## SECOND READING

*1 John 3:18-24*

My children,  
our love is not to be just words or mere talk,  
but something real and active;  
only by this can we be certain  
that we are children of the truth  
and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence,  
whatever accusations it may raise against us,  
because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.  
My dear people,  
if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience,  
we need not be afraid in God's presence,  
and whatever we ask him,

we shall receive,  
because we keep his commandments  
and live the kind of life that he wants.  
His commandments are these:  
that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ  
and that we love one another  
as he told us to.  
Whoever keeps his commandments  
lives in God and God lives in him.  
We know that he lives in us  
by the Spirit that he has given us.

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**Thanks be to God**

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Jn 15:4,5*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.

Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.

**Alleluia!**

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## GOSPEL

*John 15:1-8*

Jesus said to his disciples:  
'I am the true vine,  
and my Father is the vinedresser.  
Every branch in me that bears no fruit  
he cuts away,  
and every branch that does bear fruit  
he prunes to make it bear even more.  
You are pruned already,  
by means of the word that I have spoken to you.  
Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.  
As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,  
but must remain part of the vine,

neither can you unless you remain in me.

I am the vine,  
you are the branches.  
Whoever remains in me, with me in him,  
bears fruit in plenty;  
for cut off from me you can do nothing.  
Anyone who does not remain in me  
is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers;  
these branches are collected and thrown on the fire,  
and they are burnt.  
If you remain in me  
and my words remain in you,  
you may ask what you will  
and you shall get it.  
It is to the glory of my Father that you  
should bear much fruit,  
and then you will be my disciples.'

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

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## 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.

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## THE MYSTERY OF FAITH NO. 2

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
Until you come again.

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