

Gospel Reflection

John 15:1-8

Recall some time in your life when you realised that you were loved. What is that memory like? Can you recall some time in your life when you realised that you loved someone? What is that memory like? Jesus' 'new' commandment is that we love one another. He assured us that to be like him is to live the Christian life as loving as we possibly can be. To be filled with this blessing means that I will be called to love, to love all, without any exceptions, as Jesus did.

This costly love will bear rich fruit, whether I see it or not. Just so, Jesus' love bears fruit only after his death. I must not be discouraged when my love seems to be wasted. True love never comes to an end (1 *Corinthians 13:8*). Loving actions are the building blocks of eternal life.

Source: Irish Jesuits

ST MARY'S OFFERTORY (Sun 28 April)

Offertory collection: £ 234.10

Collection for Vocations: £ 233.78

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

(1st Collection - Running Account)

A/c name:

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

We welcome Bishop Hugh Gilbert, OSB

who will confer the sacrament of confirmation on five of our children, anointing them with chrism oil which has been consecrated by Bishop Hugh.

May we keep

Ania Lintern, Annie-Jane Simpson,
Arabela Simpson, Zane Findlay and
Ashton Kalata

in our prayers.

Bishops urge Catholics to reject 'dangerous' assisted suicide proposal

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

The letter can be read on the parish website

<https://stmarysbeauly.org/>

November Fund Raiser

We need to plan ahead and require volunteers for a committee. Sign the sheet. Starter suggestion - a musical event – on the Feast of St Andrew after all – with local talent, plus refreshments? Any other ideas? Email editor.beauly@gmail.com

St Mary's 100 Club April Draw

1st Kathleen Marshall

2nd Kelvin MacColl

3rd Adam Ritchie

St Mary's Beauly First Aid: We need a 2 or 3 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 5th May 2024

6th Sunday of Easter – B
Confirmation Sunday

Sunday Mass Time

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

Tues Mass 7:00pm (Beauly)

Wed Exposition & Rosary @ 5:00pm
(Marydale *every Wed in May*)

Vigil Mass 5:30pm (Marydale)

Vigil Mass 7:00pm (Beauly)

Thurs Mass 10:00am (Beauly)

Mass 5:30pm (Fort Augustus)

Friday Mass 10:00am (Beauly)

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

Next Sunday 12th May 2024

7th Sunday of Easter - B

Eskadale 9:00am, Beauly 11:00am,

Fort Augustus 11:00am

Poolewe 2:30pm

Mass Intentions

Sun: Confirmandi

Fort Augustus: MaryAnn Voogt (Healing)

Tues: Anne Mary Wharton (RIP)

Wed: Page Family (God's Grace and Love)

Thurs:

Fri:

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

Liturgical Calendar

Thurs 9 May: The Ascension Of The Lord – Solemnity. In the Ascension

scene, the Galilean followers are warned against gazing up into the sky. Jesus will return "in the same way as you have seen him go"; in the meantime they must preach everywhere, assured that he will work with them from heaven, confirming their word with powerful signs.

Fri 10 May: St. John of Avila –

Memorial - born in 1500 in Castile, Spain, studied law, later studied philosophy and theology before his ordination as a diocesan priest. He spread the Faith in Andalucia, had a reputation as an engaging preacher, a perceptive spiritual director and wise confessor, and noted for his mystical writings. Declared a Doctor of the Church in 2012.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES (MAY)

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

FIRST READING

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!' Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The Word of The Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 21(22):26-28,30-32

Response: *The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.*

Sing a new song to the Lord
For he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation.

R/

The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel.

R/

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord, all the earth,
ring out your joy.

R/

SECOND READING

1 John 4:7-10

My dear people,
let us love one another
since love comes from God
and everyone who loves is begotten
by God and knows God.
Anyone who fails to love can never
have known God,
because God is love.
God's love for us was revealed
when God sent into the world his
only Son
so that we could have life through
him;

this is the love I mean:
not our love for God,
but God's love for us when he sent
his Son
to be the sacrifice that takes our sins
away.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples:
'As the Father has loved me,
so I have loved you.
Remain in my love.
If you keep my commandments
you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father's
commandments
and remain in his love.
I have told you this
so that my own joy may be in you
and your joy be complete.
This is my commandment:
love one another, as I have loved
you.
A man can have no greater love
than to lay down his life for his
friends.
You are my friends,

if you do what I command you.
I shall not call you servants any
more,
because a servant does not know
his master's business;
I call you friends,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my
Father.
You did not choose me:
no, I chose you;
and I commissioned you
to go out and to bear fruit,
fruit that will last;
and then the Father will give you
anything you ask him in my name.
What I command you
is to love one another.'

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.
