

Gospel Reflection *Matthew 16:13-19*

The motley band of the twelve with Peter as leader would guide the future community of Jesus. They believed that Jesus was the Son of God, and later they would die for that. Our community today is somewhat similar - the motley group who are saintly and sinful, but who with firm faith believe that Jesus is the Son of God.

Source: Irish Jesuits

Fr. George Hutcheon (RIP)

Fr George's remains will be received into St Mary's Cathedral, Aberdeen at 4:30 pm on Thursday 4th July where he will repose overnight.

His Requiem Mass will be at 10:30 am the following morning, Friday 5th July, with the funeral proceeding to Our Lady and St John's, Fetternear for burial in the adjoining cemetery at 1 pm.

Please remember Fr. Peter Kelly in your prayers.

ST MARY'S OFFERTORY *(Sun 23 June)*

Offertory collection **£252.65**

Peter's Pence Collection **£234.95**

ULLAPOOL CHURCH ROOF APPEAL

A/c Name:

Ullapool & Gairloch St Martin of Tours

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Pluscarden Pilgrimage

Today

Mass starts at 15:00

KEEP HEDGE PLEA AND GRASS BETWEEN BABY'S TOES

Father Max received an email from a local family:

Hello,

I hope you're well.

We live in Orchard Park in Beauly next to St Mary's church. A few of our neighbours have apparently contacted you to ask if the hedge between our back gardens and the church grounds be trimmed back. We're emailing to ask if it's possible for the hedge between our garden and the church be left and NOT be trimmed back? We love the big elderflowers and the benefits they provide to wildlife and wouldn't want to see them be trimmed back. As they are so big, if they get cut back low it's likely that they wouldn't survive such a severe pruning. If you're keen for the hedge between our garden and the church to be reduced in height please let me know as I'd happily do that gradually over the next couple of winters so there is less of a risk of killing the hedge and elderflowers.

Also, would it be ok for us to spend some time every now and then relaxing on the grass at the church with our 7 month old? We don't have any lawn in our garden and would welcome the opportunity to let her enjoy some grass between her toes! We'd obvious take care of the area and not leave a trace.

Many thanks

(names and address redacted).

Father Max replied:

Thank you for your email and concern regarding the hedge.

You can gradually trim the hedge and the elderflowers between the Church and your back garden over the seasons.

You are welcome to relax in the Church orchard with your baby as well.

Isn't that nice?



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Sunday 30th June 2024

13th Sunday Of The Year – B

St Peter and St Paul - Solemnity

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

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

Weekday Mass Times & Devotions

Tues **Mass:** 7:00pm (Beauly)

Wed 2nd Wed in the month, **Rosary** 5:00pm
(Marydale)

Mass: 5:30pm (Marydale)

No Mass: 7:00pm (Beauly)

Thurs **No Mass:** 10:00am (Beauly)

No 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 7th July 2024

14th Sunday of the Year - B

Cannich 9:00am, Beauly 11:00am,

Fort Augustus 11:00am

Ullapool 2:30pm

Mass Intentions

Sun: John Edwards (RIP)

Tues: Page Family (God's Love & Grace)

Wed:

Thurs:

Fri:

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

Liturgical Calendar

Wed 3 July: Feast of **St Thomas** (+72), "called the Twin" was the Apostle who encouraged the others to go with Jesus to Judaea "and die with him" and whose questioning elicits Our Lord's response: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life". Famously he is Doubting Thomas but who eventually addresses the Risen Jesus as "My Lord and my God", the Easter Faith of the church. Tradition has him taking the Faith to Kerala in India in the year 52 and being martyred near Chennai in the year 72.

Thurs 4 July: St Elizabeth of Portugal (1271-1336). The Portuguese call her "The Peacemaker" for her strenuous efforts to reconcile warring factions.

Fri 5 July: St Antony Mary Zaccaria (1502-39) He founded the Barnabites to promote the writing of St Paul.

Sat 6 July: St Maria Goretti (1890-1902) was killed by a young man after refusing his advances. Unrepentant, he spent 30 years in prison. She appeared to him in prison offering flowers. This changed him and on his release he visited Maria's mother asking forgiveness.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES (JULY)

Margaret Hughes, Helen Calder

FIRST READING

Acts 12:1-11 ·

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly. On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!' – and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and

from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.'

The Word of The Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 33(34):2-9

Response:

The angel of the Lord rescues those who revere him.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

R/

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

R/

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called, the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress.

R/

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue
them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

R/

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18 ·

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness

reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was *rescued from the lion's mouth*. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church.

And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-19

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will

build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

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. 2

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.
