GOSPEL REFLECTION Mark 8:27-35

This is a painful scene: first Peter rebukes Jesus, then Jesus rebukes Peter. We can sympathise with Peter, because which of us can bear the thought of our best friend being tortured and killed? But Jesus tells Peter that God's plans are so much bigger than he imagines.

Someone has said that God's dreams come to us several sizes too large! It takes us time to grow into them. What about my inner growth – have I stopped growing at some point, so that God cannot do more creative work with me?

Irish Jesuits

ST MARY'S OFFERTORY (Sun 8th Sept)

Offertory: £203.10

Second Collection: £139.57

The above figure reflects the collections realised during Mass. However, many opt to donate by Standing Order or Direct Debit instead, and the Church can still claim eligible Gift Aid via these payment methods.

Approximate average regular monthly online donations made:

Offertory (Church Running Account) £783.

Second Collection (Church Fabric Account) £400.

ST MARY'S DONATIONS

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ULLAPOOL CHURCH ROOF APPEAL

A/c Name:

Ullapool & Gairloch St Martin of Tours

Account No:10109462 Sort Code: 80-05-17

New ESV Lectionary Appeal

On Advent Sunday this Year Scotland Wales and England will be changing their readings at Mass from the Jerusalem Bible to the English Standard Version (ESV).

We will need to replace our Lectionary at a cost of £395. It would be a wonderful act of charity if collectively or an individual could donate towards the purchase.

Please speak with Father Max if you would like to donate or donate in next week's offertory basket in an envelope marked ESV LECTIONARY APPEAL.

Water damage

With regards to the toilet nearest the sacristy, the ceiling and roofboards are suffering from water damage - the ceiling plasterboard has been removed. The electrical light is out of action. Meantime, until matters are made safe, please use the other facility next to the kitchen.

November Fund Raising Event

On the table at the back of the church there is a sheet for people to put their names forward as potentially available to help with the November venture. So far, thirteen have put their names down and we are thankful that so many are willing to come forward.

An idea to enhance the event has recently been circulating and it might be appropriate for volunteers to come together to discuss this idea and any other suggestions that might help to attract the public!

Would it be possible to informally meet at an arranged date, after Mass, say in the parish room, and try to pull a few things together?

Peter Grant is willing to chair such a meeting so it would help if volunteers speak with him, then a date for a meeting can be agreed.

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Sunday Mass Time

ST MARY'S BEAULY 11:00am

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

Sunday 15th September 2024

24th Sunday of the Year – B

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

No Mass: 7:00pm (Beauly) Tues

Wed **NB:** on the 2nd Wed in the month,

> Rosary 5:00pm (Marydale) No Mass: 5:30pm (Marydale)

No Mass: 7:00pm (Beauly)

Mass: 10:00am (Beauly) Thurs

5:30pm (Fort Augustus)

Friday No Mass: 10:00am (Beauly)

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

Next Sunday 22nd September 2024 25th Sunday of the Year – B

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

Mass Intentions

Sun: James Chapman (RIP)

Tues: Wed:

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

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

Liturgical Calendar

Mon 16 Sept: Feast of Saint Ninian, born in Cumbria about the year 360 and was ordained Bishop in 394 in Rome, probably by Pope Siricius. He landed in Whithorn in 397 and built a church which was a centre from which he and his disciples preached the Gospel in SE Scotland. He died about 432 and was buried in Whithorn.

Tues 17 Sept: St Mirin, Priest (6th Century) born in Ireland and was Prior of the monastery in Bangor which was a centre of missionary activity. His shrine in Paisley became of place of pilgrimage and devotion to him continues in the cathedral which now bears his name.

Thurs 19 Sept: St Januarius

Fri 20 Sept: St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions, Korean Martyrs.

Sat 21 Sept: St Matthew – Feast. One of the Apostles, a tax-gatherer and identified as Levi (Mark 2:14). Author of one of the four Gospels and said to have been martyred.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES (September) Lynn Barrie, Derek Gass, Catriona Fraser(Campbell)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:5-9 ·

The Lord has opened my ear.
For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck
me,

my cheeks to those who tore at my beard:

I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me.

The Lord is coming to my help, who will dare to condemn me?

The Word of The Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 114(116):1-6,8-9

Response: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. They surrounded me, the snares of death,

with the anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord, my God, deliver me!

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How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me.

R/

He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

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SECOND READING

lames 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead. This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good

deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The Word of The Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;

No one can come to the Father except through me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

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..