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Sixth Sunday of the Year [C]

13<sup>th</sup> February 2022

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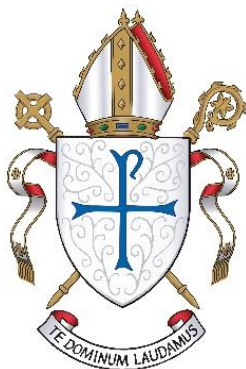
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**St. Peter in Chains:** Saturday  
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## Mustard Seeds

### ✠ From The Desk of God

#### Effective Immediately:

Please be aware that there are changes you need to make in your life. These changes need to be completed in order that I may fulfil my promises to you to grant you peace, joy and happiness in this life.

1. **STOP WORRYING** - Life has dealt you a blow and all you do is sit and worry. Have you forgotten that I am here to take all your burdens and carry them for you?
2. **PUT IT ON THE LIST** - Something needs done or taken care of. Put it on the list. No, not YOUR list. Put it on MY to-do-list. Let ME be the one to take care of the problem. I can't help you until you turn it over to me.
3. **TRUST ME** - Once you've given your burdens to me, stop trying to take them back. Trust in me. Have the faith that I will take care of all your needs, your problems and your trials. Problems with the children? Put them on my list. Problem with finances? Put it on my list. Problems with your emotional roller coaster? For my sake, put it on my list. I want to help you. All you have to do is ask.
4. **LEAVE IT ALONE** - Don't wake up one morning and say, "Well, I'm feeling much stronger now, I think I can handle it from here." Why do you think you are feeling stronger now? It's simple. You gave me your burdens and I'm taking care of them.
5. **TALK TO ME** - I want you to forget a lot of things. Forget the worry and the fretting because you know I'm in control. But there's one thing I pray you never forget. Please don't forget to talk to me. I love you. I want to hear your voice. I want to hear you talk about your friends and family. Prayer is simply you having a conversation with me.
6. **HAVE FAITH** - I see a lot of things from up here that you can't see from where you are. Have faith in me that I know what I'm doing. How hard can trust be?
7. **SHARE** - You were taught to share when you were only two years old. When did you forget? That rule still applies. Share with those who are less fortunate than you. Share your joy with those who need encouragement. Share your laughter with those who haven't heard any in such a long time. Share your tears with those who have forgotten how to cry. Share your faith with those who have none.
8. **BE PATIENT** - I managed to fix it so in just one lifetime you could have so many diverse experiences. You grow from a child to an adult, have children, change jobs many times, learn many trades, travel to so many places, meet thousands of people, and experience so much. How can you be so impatient then when it takes me a little longer than you expect to handle something on my to-do-list? Trust in my timing, for my timing is perfect.
9. **BE KIND** - Be kind to others, for I love them just as much as I love you. They may not dress like you, or talk like you, or live the same way you do, but I still love you all. Please try to get along, for my sake.
10. **LOVE YOURSELF** - As much as I love you, how can you not love yourself? You were created by me for one reason only - to be loved, and to love in return. I am a God of Love. Love me. Love your neighbours. But also love yourself. It makes my heart ache when I see you so angry with yourself when things go wrong. You are very precious to me. Don't ever forget that!

With all my heart, I love you,  
Your Eternal Father, GOD

# Sixth Sunday of the Year [C] 2022

February 2022	<b>St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan</b> <a href="http://www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk">www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.stbrideschurch.co.uk">www.stbrideschurch.co.uk</a> <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i>	<i>Fr. Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Fr. Gerry Hamill</i> <i>(Retired)</i>	<a href="http://www.stevenstonstjohns.com">www.stevenstonstjohns.com</a> <a href="http://www.rcsaltcoats.com">www.rcsaltcoats.com</a> <i>Canon Martin Poland</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula</i> <i>and Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i>	
	<b>Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed</b>	<b>St Bride's</b>	<b>St. John's</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b> Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Nell Kinghorne (RD), Warren Graham (RD)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
<b>Sunday</b> 13 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b> Mass at 10.30am <i>Offered for our parishes</i>	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Feast of Ss Cyril and Methodius</b> Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Peter Finnegan (A), Rosemary McAuley (SI), Martha &amp; Charles Farrell (A)</i> (St Valentine's Day)			Funeral Mass at 10am for <b>Rita McCourt</b>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year</b> Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Frank Barrett (A), Pat Maxwell (A), Ellen &amp; Michael Barrett (A)</i>	Adoration 9.30am Mass at 10am <b>Requiem Mass at 12 noon</b>		Funeral Mass at 10am
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year</b> Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Alice Hainey (RD), Pauline Wilson (RD), Marie Louise Paterson (RD)</i>		Mass at 10am (L)	
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Requiem Mass for James Gordon McKechan</b> Mass at 10am			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Week of the Year</b> Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Margaret Johnston (SI), William Sheehan (A), Robert Ferguson (A)</i>	Adoration 11.30 Mass at 12 noon	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b> Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Norma Clarke (A), Susan Hughes (SI), Patrick Mulholland (RD)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
<b>All Masses may be subject to change</b>				

### Synod Meetings at St Bride's and St Peter's coming soon!

Pope Francis has asked us, the people of St Bride's and St Peter's Parishes, to help him. Not just us, of course, but every parish in every diocese across the world. He wants us to spend some time listening to each other in our parishes. He wants us, individually and together with our families and friends, to ask ourselves what the Holy Spirit wants our Church to be in this Third Millennium. Why us? Our Catholic Faith teaches us that the Holy Spirit speaks through all the members of the Church, lay-people, religious, deacons and priests, bishops and the Pope. Each of us have something to say and he wants to listen. That's why he recently said "In the one People of God let us journey together, in order to experience a Church that receives and lives this gift of unity, and is open to the voice of the Spirit." Pope Francis seeks a Church where all can feel at home and participate. He wants us to become a listening Church, to break out of our routine in order to stop and listen, firstly to the Spirit in adoration and prayer, and then to our brothers and sisters, their hopes, the crises of faith around the world, the need for renewed pastoral life.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Jim Boyle, Harry Sammons, Rena Fitzpatrick, Susan Hughes, Robert Smallridge, Anita Smallridge.*

#### ✚ Those who have died recently:

*James Gordon McKechan, Annette Sayers, Emmett Cunningham (Formally of Ardrossan).*

#### ✚ Those who died at this time of Year:

*Canon Robert McCliment 1967, John McIlhatton 1954, Chrissie Welsh 2006, Aileen Whiston 2015, Mary Hall 1989,  
Patricketta Maxwell 2004, Canon Tom McGread, Winnie McLaughlin 2015, Catherine Morrison 1977,  
John Carrick 2010, Edward McCann 2019, James McLaren 1964, Isabel Rodgers 2020, Patrick Kelly 1989,  
Lucia Valenti 1972, Rose Walker 1985, Jack Conlan 2013, Robert Ferguson 2021, Nathan Murray-Collier 2005,  
Ellen Reilly 1954, Eileen Watkins 2015, Jean Wylie, Francis Clark 1953,  
Helen Clark 1973, Hugh McGinn 2013, Kelly Smith 2007.*

## St. Bride's & St. Peter's Notices

► **REQUIEM MASS FOR JAMES GORDON MCKECHAN AT ST PETER'S** Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Gordon McKechnan, who died on 30th January 2022, aged 86 years. His Requiem Mass will be on Thursday, 17th February at 10am, followed by Cremation at the Clyde Coast Crematorium. His Month's Mind Mass will be on Tuesday, 1st March at 10am. May he rest in peace and rise in glory!

► **REQUIEM MASS FOR ANNETTE SAYERS AT ST BRIDE'S** Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Annette Sayers who died on 5th February, aged 95 years. Her Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday, 15th February at 12 noon at St Bride's, followed by Interment at West Kilbride Cemetery. Her Month's Mind Mass will be on Friday, 4th March. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

► **PILGRIMAGES TO MEDJURGORJE** We're back up and running! There are two pilgrimages this year. See poster at the back of the church for more details.

► **SYCAMORE MEETING AT ST BRIDE'S** The next Sycamore Meeting will be on Monday, 14th February at 7.30pm in the Community Room. Everyone is welcome!

► **CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION** Fifty children will be confirmed by Bishop Nolan on Monday, 7th February 2022 at 7pm. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers at this time (9 from St Peter's and 2 from St Bride's).

► **EMERGENCY ON-CALL FOR AYRSHIRE HOSPITALS** Father Duncan will be on emergency call for the Ayrshire Hospitals this week. Please keep all those in hospital at this time in your thoughts and prayers.

### **Catholic Trivia - Did you know?**

"Tawdry" - a corruption of "St Audrey". At the annual fare of St Audrey on the Isle of Ely, cheap jewellery and lace was sold; hence "tawdry" come to mean "cheap and shoddy". | "Red-letter Day" - a day of good fortune. Great feast and Saints' Days were always marked in red colour in the Church's calendar.

### **A Cross in My Pocket**

I carry a cross in my pocket  
A simple reminder to me  
Of the fact that I am a Christian  
No matter where I may be.  
When I put my hand in my pocket  
To bring out a coin or key,  
The cross is there to remind me  
Of the price he paid for me.  
It reminds me, too, to be thankful  
For my blessings day by day  
And strive to serve him better  
In all that I do and say.

It's also a daily reminder  
Of the peace and comfort I share  
With all who know my master  
And give themselves to his care.  
So, I carry a cross in my pocket  
Reminding no one but me,  
That Jesus Christ is Lord of my life  
If only I'll let him be.

### **Why pray the Stations of the Cross?**

The Stations of the Cross is a popular devotion, and we are invited to pray it in our Parishes every Lent. Here are five reasons to pray the Stations of the Cross: 1. They offer strength in times of suffering - Praying the Stations of the Cross reminds us that we are not alone in our suffering: Jesus suffers with us. He chose to embrace every aspect of human life, including suffering and death. 2. They instil in us a compassion for those who suffer - We see in the Stations of the Cross how some people mocked Jesus, revealing the worst reactions to the suffering of others. Yet we also have the example of Mary, who stayed close to her Son throughout. In the Stations of the Cross, we are gifted with the ability to see Jesus in those who suffer and therefore to treat the suffering with compassion. 3. They remind us of the vast love of God - Seeing the horror of Jesus' suffering reminds us of something wonderful: how much He loves us. Jesus endured His Passion because of the love He had for each individual person that would ever live, and so the Stations of the Cross remind us of how much we are loved. 4. They give us a sign of great hope - We know why Jesus suffered and we know what happened afterwards. His suffering and death was not the end of the story. He came back in glory. This is a powerful reminder that for us too, suffering and death are not where it ends. There is so much more. 5. They enable us to empathise with Jesus suffering on the cross and feel His pain as though it were happening to ourselves or someone we care deeply about. The Stations of the Cross help us do this by giving us fourteen focal points to meditate on.

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### **Just for a Laugh...**

Wonderful Church Bulletin Mistakes: →The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus..'  
→ Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.  
→ Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.  
→ At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.  
→ Weight Watchers will meet at 7pm at the Church. Please use the large double doors at the side entrance.



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