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Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year (World Day of the Poor) [C]

13th November 2022

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St. Peter in Chains: Saturday between
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Mustard Seeds

✠ I Will Go to God

The stars shone more brightly than ever before and the moon hung ever so high in the majestically black sky. I could hear laughter in the background and crying in the foreground. My mind was clouded and my palms a bright red from the bitter cold. It seemed like just yesterday I had sat with him laughing and smiling. I could still hear the slight crackle or his perfectly creased shirts, and smell the sweet aromas of cologne and dryer sheets. I remembered the brightness in his eyes and his glowing personality. I could hear his sweet voice and his assuring words. But now he was gone. It was only hours after I said goodbye, laid a single rose upon the ground, and watched his casket slowly fade into the deep earth tones. I was confused, numb, and deeply depressed. He had been my mentor, my guide. He had been my life. The days went by ever so slowly and the nights were never ending. I kneeled beside my bed and prayed each night while drowning in my tears. I was lost without him, and felt as if I had no reason to live anymore. I was standing on the edge. Finally it came time for me to clean out his belongings. I was going through albums and dresser drawers in his bedroom when I found a small white book and on the cover was a tiny angel with his initials inscribed. It looked as if he had sketched them in himself. I opened the book and began to flip through the pages. Page after page there were prayers and inscriptions from the bible. As I put the book down a small folded piece of paper fell out. I opened it and read it. It was a list of names he had written himself. It was in two or three tones of blue pen and had been folded and unfolded several times. On this piece of paper were his "thank-you". He had made a list of all the people who had made a difference in his life and who he cared about. Reading the names and inscriptions I felt the tears flow down my cheeks. At the bottom of the list it read: "These people have shown me the way through the toughest of times, but most of all I must thank God. For without him I would not have these people. When I get to



heaven I will go to God and ask Him to watch over you all. I know He will be proud to stand next to you all when it is your time. Enjoy every minute of your time on Earth. Live through God." With this I put the paper back into the book and finished packing things up. For the first time in the past month I smiled. I knew he was safe and he would be watching over us. And I learned to live through God, Our Saviour.

Thirty-Third Week of the Year [C] 2022

St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk <i>Father Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula & Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i>		<i>Fr. Duncan McVicar</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Fr. Gerry Hamill (Retired)</i>	www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com <i>Canon Martin Poland</i> <i>assisted by</i> <i>Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula & Canon Matt McManus (Retired)</i>	
Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed Masses may be subject to change		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 12 th November	33rd Sunday of the Year (World Day of the Poor) Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Kathleen Fraser (A), Kilbane Family (A), Michael Ferguson (RD)</i>			Vigil Mass (L) at 4.30pm
Sunday 13 th November	33rd Sunday of the Year (World Day of the Poor) 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 th November	33rd Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Jackie Miller (RD)</i>			
Tuesday 15 th November	33rd Week of the Year Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for John Craig (A)</i>	Adoration 9.30 Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Canon Charlie Matthews (A) Canon Sam McGuinness (A)</i>		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 16 th November	Feast of St Margaret of Scotland Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Dennis Atkins (T)</i>		Eucharistic Service at 10am	
Thursday 17 th November	Memorial of St Elizabeth of Hungary Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for John & Mary Hutson (A)</i>			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 18 th November	Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul Prayer of the Rosary 9.30am Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Alice Hansler (RD)</i> Exposition and Benediction 10.30am	Adoration 9.30 Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Eileen McNulty (A), George Anderson (RD)</i>	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 19 th November	Solemnity of Christ the King Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Alice McGrattan (A), Stephen Munn (A), Cathie Sweeney (A)</i>			Vigil Mass (L) at 4.30pm

The Synod in Galloway – Quotes from our Report

"The concept of **listening** as a precursor to evangelisation and mission received considerable attention from participants. Considered to be a vitally important skill - and a learned one - many comments were received on this topic. Overall, listening well was felt to be critical to the future of our communities. Widely acknowledged that every voice has value and is deserving of respect, it was nonetheless admitted that where opposing views are held, it is an enormously difficult skill to master. Individual perceptions can create barriers when people listen without really hearing what is meant. It was considered, then, that anybody in a role which requires listening must be prayerfully and carefully chosen, be able to listen with empathy, and be able to listen to voices outwith our immediate diocesan context."

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Harry Sammons, Hugh Conway, Beryl Meechan,
Ennis McHugh, Tom McGreevy, Dawn Clark.*

✚ Those who have died recently:

*Hugh Conway, Michael Ferguson (Irvine), Jackie Miller (Irvine),
Alice Hansler, George Anderson.*

✚ Those who died at this time of Year:

*Bartholomew (Barney) Coby 2012, Mary Dalziel 2006,
Helen Mallon 1987, Daniel McDougall 1944,
Margaret McIntee 2017, Alex Miller 1979,
James Smith 1999, William Cassidy 2012, Julie Anne MacLaren 2006,
William Reilly, Rose Floyd 1992, Vivien Friel 2004,
Canon Patrick Gunning 1987, Mary Harrigan 2016, Karen Small 2015,
Margaret Tracey 2020, Hugh Welsh 1986, Peter McCann 2019,
Robert McGee 1996, Margaret Ogilvie 2016, Francis Brady 1943,
George Hilferty 2013, Hugh Madine 1997, Letitia Smith 2001,
Setti Cavani 1997, Catherine Keogh 2016, Margaret Lee 1984,
Linda Jackson 2009, Alice McGrattan 2013, Stephen Munn 2011,
Annie Boyle O'Hare 1967, Alice Tomelty 2000.*

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

- **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** We welcome to the Family of the Church Scott James Lynn, who was baptised in St Bride's on Saturday 12th November. Congratulations to his parents and Godparents.
- **NOVEMBER LISTS** Please hand-in your November Lists in the collection during Holy Mass and they will be brought up at the Offertory Procession and placed on the altar during the Month of the Holy Souls.
- **ST BRIDE'S MONTHLY DRAW** Winner of St Bride's monthly draw for November is No 34, Veronica McTear.
- **CHANA Churches Homeless Action North Ayrshire - Donations of Christmas Gifts** As we did last year we are teaming up with the charity Night before Christmas Charity (NB4CC) to provide those who are homeless and being supported by North Ayrshire Council a Christmas present. Last year NB4CC gave presents to 150 people in North Ayrshire. The Officer in charge of Homelessness in North Ayrshire Council wrote "Once again, your generosity and kindness has gone a long way to help us make life that little bit easier and more enjoyable for our homeless clients throughout North Ayrshire" We would be delighted if people would contribute to this charity. This can be done by visiting NB4CC's "Justgiving" page <https://www.justgiving.com/nb4cc> or putting your donation in an envelope marked "NB4CC" in the church collection".
- **ST BRIDE'S SSVp CHRISTMAS LARDER COLLECTION** This will run from Sunday 6th November to Sunday 18th December, this means non-perishable goods can arrive anytime but perishable ones can still be handed in nearer Christmas Day as the theme this time is all for Christmas. Please check the sell by dates are after Christmas. Items suggested: Mince Pies, Yule Logs, boxes of biscuits, sweets both types, for Children and for Puddings. Anything that would be difficult to buy for Christmas if you are on a very restricted income. Thank you again for all your support.
- **CHRISTMAS CARDS** There is a wide selection of beautiful Christmas Cards available now from St Peter's stall. Also available are a wonderful selection of cards, candles, statues, Mass cards and gifts etc.

Remembrance Sunday - Today

There will be a Service organised by all the denominations in Ardrossan at 1pm at the EU Church in Glasgow Street, followed by a closing ceremony at the Garden of Remembrance in Glasgow Street. Remembrance Sunday falls on the Sunday nearest Armistice Day, 11 November, which marks the end of the First World War. On this day we remember all those who gave their lives for their country, all who suffered and died through acts of war and those who were left behind to grieve and mourn.



"O God, merciful and strong, who crush wars and cast down the proud, be pleased to banish violence swiftly from our midst and to wipe away all tears, so that we may all truly deserve to be called your children. [Roman Missal]"



St Richard's Prayer

Most merciful Redeemer,
Friend and Brother,
may we know you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly,
day by day.

Ardrossan Cemetery Mass

Our annual Mass at Ardrossan Cemetery will be on Sunday, 27th November at 2pm. We will offer the Mass for all our deceased loved ones, friends, and neighbours. Please come along if you can.

Notable Date

The first baptisms were celebrated in the church on 13th November 1938.

ST. PETER'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Cash Collection 6th November 2022: £538.98
Second Collection (Building Fund): £230.43

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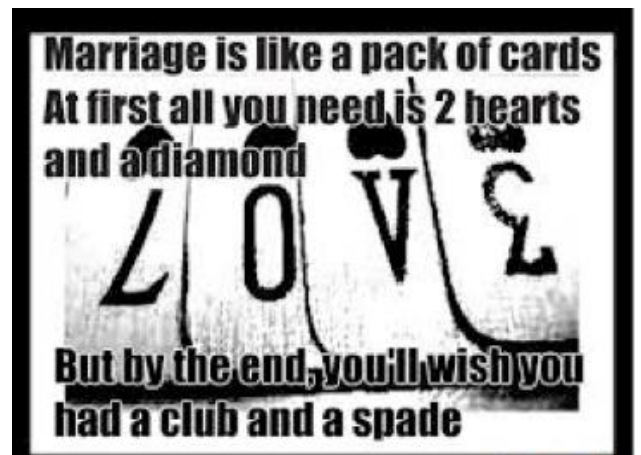
Offertory Cash Collection 6th November 2022: £68.00

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