

MASS TEXT

Sunday Year A
Weekday Cycle II
Divine Office: Vol. 2. Week IV

Praise we now the Lord our God,
in silence we adore you.

OT Read: Acts 2: 1-11

RP: 103

Send Forth your spirit, O Lord
And renew the face of the earth.

NT Read: 1 Corinth's 12:3b-7, 12-13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of
your faithful and kindle in them the
fire of your love.

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20: 19-23

PREFACE: Pentecost
EUCH. PRAYER: III

31st May 2026
The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

OT Read: Exodus 34: 4b-6, 8-9

RP: Dan 3:52. 53. 54. 55. 56. □52b

NT Read: 2 Corinthians 13:11-14

Gospel: John 3:16-18

WEEKLY COLLECTION

St. Teresa's: **£631.71**

Holy Trinity & St. Luke's: **£193.50**

*Thank you so much everyone
for your generosity.*

Baptisms can easily be arranged by
contacting Father directly

Weddings normally require six
months notice, please contact Father
before booking.

SICK & HOUSEBOUND. Your Clergy
are available to offer the sacraments of
healing (anointing), Reconciliation and
Holy Communion. If any parishioner re-
quires assistance or needs to talk, please
call on the Parish number.

*The sick and housebound would appreciate a copy of the bulletin,
if you can please pop one through their door. Thank you.*



Jesus "breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit' " (Jn 20:22). Pentecost is not a once-for-all feast, rather, it is an ongoing celebration of the gift of God's Spirit, who is always with us, inseparable from all the baptised. We need the Holy Spirit. Otherwise, what Jesus has told us will not become real in our lives. We will then become "distressed or fearful" (Jn 14:27). Without the Spirit, we will "make a pretence of religion but negate its power" (2 Tm 3:5), foster doubt rather than faith, and promote disunity in the Body of Christ. We receive the Spirit or stay locked by fear in the upper room (Jn 20:19, 26).

The Holy Spirit caused people speaking many different languages to understand one Gospel message. The result was unity. Pentecost was the beginning of the reunification of the whole human family. The Holy Spirit drew redeemed men and women from across the face of the earth into God's New Covenant expressed in the Church.

Father, renew my Confirmation.

Fill me with the Spirit in a way

beyond anything I have ever imagined. (Eph 3:20)

Come, O Holy Spirit - by John Henry Newman

**“Come Holy Spirit
Make our ears to hear
Make our eyes to see
Make our mouths to speak
Make our hearts to seek
Make our hands to reach out
And touch the world with your love.
AMEN.”**

KEEP IN PRAYER the recently deceased members:
Patrick McGlone, Catherine Sweeney, Angus McFarlane, Catherine McCulloch, M. Catherine Lavery, Wilma McQuade, Christopher P. Loy, Patricia Rennie, Sylvia Coupland, RIP. Always in our minds!

Pentecost Sunday (A) - 24th May 2026



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hours unless an emergency)

A parish of the RC Diocese of Galloway.

Charity Number: SC 010576

**Sunday Masses are Live Streamed
from St Teresa's Church, Dumfries.**

Please follow the link on our website.



**A Family
Welcoming
Parish.**

*You are very welcome in our parish community, a special place where we gather frequently for
worship, fellowship, ministry, inspiration, and outreach. We all respect the need for silence, of
course, we love to welcome children, and we know that they don't always find that so easy – so relax!*

The Catholic Parishes of
St Teresa's, Dumfries,
Holy Trinity, Lockerbie with St Luke's, Moffat.
Served by **THE SPIRITANS** (Holy Ghost Congregation)

Newsletter

Year A - Cycle II - Eucharistic Prayer: III - Psalter: IV
St. T (St Teresa's), St. A. (St Andrew's, Dumfries)
St. L (St Luke's, Moffat), HTL (Holy Trinity, Lockerbie)

Saturday 23rd May - Eastertide

(2nd & 4th Sat. in St Andrew's)

10.00 am - **St A - Mass**

5.00 pm - **St. L. - Vigil Mass** - Jack Martin, RIP 2nd Anni
- Parish/ Spiritans (Holy Ghost Frs)

Sunday 24th May, Pentecost Sunday

9.30 am - **HTL - Mass** – Conal Daniel, RIP, 17th Anni.

11.30 am - **St. T. - Mass** – Parish/ Spiritans (Holy Ghost Frs)

Monday 25th May - Mary, Mother of the Church

9.30 am – **St. T. - Rosary, Adoration & Bene.**

10.00 am – **St. T. – Mass** - Mena Smith, RIP, Anni

Tuesday 26th May - St Philip Neri, Priest

9.30 am – **St. T. - Rosary, Adoration & Bene.**

10.00 am – **St. T. – Mass** - Roger Holden, RIP

Wednesday 27th May - St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bish

9.30 am – **HTL - Rosary, Reconciliation, Adoration & Bene**

10.00 am – **HTL – Mass** - Joan White, RIP

10.00 am – **St. A. – Mass**

Thursday 28th May - Feria

9.30 am – **St. T. - Rosary.**

10.00 am – **St. T. – Mass** - Olga Comaskey, RIP

Friday 29th May - St. Paul VI, Pope

10.00 am – **St. A. - Mass**

Saturday 30th May - Memorial of the BVM

(1st, 3rd + 5th Sat. in St. Teresa's)

10.00 am - **St T. - Mass** - Stanley Budyn, RIP. Anni

10.30 am - **St. T. - Reconciliation, Adoration & Bene.**

5.00 pm - **St. L. - Vigil Mass** - Rosie Biggin, RIP, Anni

Sunday 31st May, The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

9.30 am - **HTL - Mass** – Nora Marcantonio, RIP, Anni

11.30 am - **St. T. - Mass** – Mick Kerr, RIP

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! On Pentecost Sunday, each year, we gather together to hear the story of the birth of the Church, over 2,000 years ago, told in Acts 2. Today is a great day to ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the spirit of new life and enthusiasm, the fire of God's love. At Mass, each says the Our Father in their local Language. After Mass, we are all welcome in the hall for *AGAPE -LOVE FEAST*. Just bring some home-made food/bakes/cakes, etc, to share (**Potluck**) and celebrate the birth of the Church and the Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers).



THE SPIRITANS (*Congregation of the Holy Ghost, under the protection of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*) were founded on Pentecost Sunday, 1703, in Paris, France, by a young man, Claude Poullart des Places (1679-1709). Claude was not yet an ordained priest but had a deep calling to found a community of young men who would be dedicated to the Holy Spirit and who would be willing to go to the people and places most in need. The Spiritans' story spans more than three centuries, criss-crosses continents in wartime and in peace, and features the selflessness of thousands of priests, brothers and lay persons who have made and continue to make profound sacrifices to minister to those in need, on the margins and the disadvantaged.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY will take place today in the Baptistry room. Children of primary school age are welcome.

FUNERAL SERVICE for the late **Roger Holden**, RIP, will be celebrated on Friday, 29th May, 12.30 pm at Crichton Memorial Church, Dumfries. We are all welcome to join in praying for him. *May he rest in peace.*

COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY. We raised £183.12 at last Sunday's annual appeal and special collection for the work of the Communications Commission of the Bishops' Conference. Your generosity is much appreciated.

FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they make the final preparations for their First Holy Communion Day on Sunday, 7th June at the 11.30 am Mass.

The families and friends of the communicants are inviting you to further celebrations, cutting of the FHC cake, after the 11.30 am Mass, Sunday 14th June in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

HELP NEEDED to serve the community, especially at our Sunday Tea & Coffee, Children's Liturgy, Sacramental preparation (RCIC/ RCIA), Church or Hall Cleaning, Handyman/woman ministry (Electrician/ Joiner/ Painter/ Decorator skills or Trades know-how). We are seriously seeking volunteers to help. It is obvious that parishes that can't cover the basics from within their community do not have a future. Thanks.

LECTIO DIVINA/ BIBLE STUDY - every Tuesday, from 10.45 am in St Teresa's Parish Hall? A cuppa is served at the start; finish at 11.45 am.

PARISH ART GROUP meets every Thursday, from 10.30 am – 12.00 n, in the Parish Hall. It is free for all levels- beginners will love it, drawing and enjoying the company of others.

100 CLUB. New members are welcome, only £2 per month. Please complete the form on the church porch or contact Irene (after the Mass) in the Church Hall. Proceeds go to church funds.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE (PFC). Our next meeting will take place in the Baptistry Room this Thursday, 11th June, 7.00 pm. Thanks to this important group in the life of the parish, who keep our ministry activities and facilities up and running. Thanks.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL will meet on Thursday, 28th May at 7.00 pm at the Office of Primrose & Gordon, 1 Newall Terrace, Dumfries, DG1 1LN (meeting is not in the P. Hall, due to NY-COS concert). This is open to all parishioners. If you wish to have an item on the agenda, please email it to the parish office or use the suggestion box at the back of the church. Bishop Frank has asked all parishioners to think about the future of the structures of our parishes and dioceses. Please come along to share your view.

p.7 WHITHORN PILGRIMAGE. The primary 7 children from all the Catholic schools in our region will enjoy a pilgrimage day to Whithorn on Thursday, 28th May. We wish them a lovely sunny day.

COFFEE MORNING in aid of the Ababa Project will be held at St Teresa's Church Hall, DG2 9DE, on Saturday, 6th June, 10:30 am – 1.00 pm. Volunteers needed. Please contact Anna-Marie, 07584528335 or anna-marie.lockhart@richemont.com, if you wish to help with the stalls. Donations of raffles, fresh baking, books, bric-a-brac, unwanted gifts, etc, can be left at the back of the church or brought along on the day. Thank you.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS. As a parishioner of our beautiful Church, a place of worship, prayer and history, we ask you to consider leaving a legacy to the parish when you are making your Will. We are grateful for all generous donations at any time. This is a particular way of investing in the future of our Church, ensuring the church is there for future generations. Thanks


PARISH SURVEY OUTCOME. Thank you all for responding to last month's parish survey. A summary report is included in the newsletter as an insert. Your responses have given the parish and the diocese a vital reference point for annual review, renewal and strategic planning.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE is possible if you want, from 2nd to 9th September 2026. Flying from Edinburgh on 2nd Sept at 7.20 am. All at an inclusive cost of £799 per person (room sharing). Single room £175 per person Supplement. Price includes all Flights, transfers, accommodation with half board, and all the local programmes in Medjugorje. To register, please contact Susanna B, 0791 941 7647 or email <sboytha@gmail.com>

MURDER MYSTERY EVENING will be held on 12th June, starting at 7 pm. More details to follow. We hope that all will attend and enjoy this event. All proceeds go to Church Funds.

HOLY SPIRIT MASS (St Andrew's Deanery) with Bishop Frank is on 9th June 2026 at St Joseph's, Stranraer, 7.00 pm. The free minibus will leave St Teresa's church at 4.20 pm and return at about 10.30 pm. Please sign up now at the back of the church. All are welcome.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN Grotto, Shrine to Our Lady of Lourdes, Sunday, 21st June 2026. The free minibus will leave St Teresa's church at 1.15 pm and return at about 6.30 pm. Please sign up now at the back of the church.

 A children's catechism class has been learning the Apostles' Creed. Each child had been assigned a sentence to repeat. So, at one of the lessons, the first child says: "I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth." The second says, "I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord..." And there followed an awkward silence. Finally, one child quipped: "Teacher, the boy who believes in the Holy Spirit is not here!"

Heating Appeal

Thanks to you, we now have a new Church heating system, offering a warm, welcoming worship space for all. We are grateful for any donations towards this amazing project.

Can You Help? Donate by:

Online:



Cheque:

payable to
"RCDG ST
TERESA'S
DUMFRIES"

Cash: use the H. Appeal envelope

£40,500



We welcome creative fundraising ideas—if you're willing to organise an event, please reach out!

Thank You

The church
is
OPEN!

For quiet and prayer
Mondays/ Tuesdays
Thursdays/ Saturdays
9.00 am – 5.30 pm

Mass Offering/ Donations
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