MASS TEXT

Sunday Year A
Weekday Cycle II
Divine Office: Vol. 3. Week III

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

OT Read: Isaiah 5:1-7
RP: 79
The vineyard of the Lord
is the house of Israel.
NT Read: Philippians 4:6-9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I chose you out of the world,
says the Lord, that you should go
and bear fruit, and that your fruit
should abide. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

PREFACE: VI
EUCH. PRAYER: II

11th October 2026
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

OT Read: Isaiah 25:6-10a
RP: 22
NT Read: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

WEEKLY COLLECTION

St. Teresa's: **£589.14**
Holy Trinity & St. Luke's: **£277.20**
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 requires assistance or needs to talk, please call on the Parish number.

Hold the Rosary, Hold on to Hope.



The Rosary is a Catholic prayer that helps us draw closer to Jesus through meditation on His life, death, and resurrection. Catholics ask Mary to pray for us, not because she is worshipped, but because she is the Mother of Jesus and is believed to intercede for us.

Praying the Rosary can bring peace and help us slow down, especially during busy or difficult days. It gives us a way to place our worries and intentions before God, strengthens our faith and perseverance, and encourages virtues such as patience, compassion, humility, forgiveness, and hope.

The repeated prayers provide a simple rhythm that helps us focus on God and reflect on the Gospel. Even when we are distracted or don't know what to say, the Rosary gives us a way to continue praying and entrusting our lives to God.

Ultimately, the Rosary is not about simply repeating words, it is about spending time with God, contemplating Jesus, and allowing prayer to gradually transform our daily lives. - *Holy Mary… Pray for us….*

- Culled from PRAYING THE ROSARY. A Journey through Scripture and Art by Fr Denis McBride.

The Memorare

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known that anyone
who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or
sought thy intercession was left unaided.
Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee,
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do
I come; before thee I stand, sinful and
sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and
answer me. Amen.

By St. Bernard of Clairvaux

KEEP IN PRAYER the recently deceased members:
Wilma McQuade, Chris P. Loy, Patricia Rennie, Sylvia Coupland, Noreen Lilly, Marie Montgomery, Mina Murphy, Colin Wilkinson, Elsie Armstrong, Michael McCole, RIP. Always in our minds!

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

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) 4th October 2026



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

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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.

Newsletter
Year A - Cycle 1I - Eucharistic Prayer: *II* - Psalter: III
St. T (St Teresa's), St. A. (St Andrew's, Dumfries)
St. L (St Luke's, Moffat), HTL (Holy Trinity, Lockerbie)

Saturday 3rd October - Memorial of the BVM
(1st, 3rd + 5th Sat. in St. Teresa's)
9.30 am – **St. T. - Divine Office** - Morning Prayer (Lauds)
10.00 am - **St T. - Mass** - Gerald Ondei & Family, P. Int
10.30 am - **St. T.** - Reconciliation, Adoration & Bene.
5.00 pm - **St. L. -Vigil Mass** - Anne Williams, RIP

Sunday 4th October - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
9.30 am - **HTL - Mass** – B. G., Thanksgiving
11.30 am - **St. T.- Mass** – May Fuller, Wellbeing

Monday 5th October - St. Faustina Kowalska, Religious
9.30 am – **St. T.** - Rosary, Adoration & Bene.
10.00 am – **St. T. – Mass -** Smith & Gaskell Families, RIP

Tuesday 6th October -St. Bruno, Priest
9.30 am – **St. T.** - Rosary, Adoration & Bene.
10.00 am – **St. T. – Mass -** Liam Murray, RIP, BD Rem
- Peter+Irene McFarlane, 61st Wedd. Anni

Wednesday 7th October - Our Lady of the Rosary
9.30 am – **HTL** - Reconciliation, Adoration & Bene
10.00 am – **HTL –Mass** - Trudy Jardine, RIP. Anni

10.00 am – St. T. – Funeral Mass - Colin Wilkinson, RIP

Thursday 8th October - Feria
10.00 am – **Harvest Mass in School** - Staff/ Students
- Fr Francis Dometeiro, HBD

Friday 9th October - Feria
10.00 am – **St. A. - Mass**

Saturday 10th October - Memorial of the BVM
(2nd & 4th Sat. in St Andrew's)
10.00 am - **St A – Mass**
5.00 pm - **St. L. Vigil Mass** – Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday 11th October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
9.30 am - **HTL - Mass** – Jessie Boardman, RIP, Anni
11.30 am - **St. T.- Mass** – Kate Woodthorpe, RIP
- Sheila McDonald, RIP

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!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF
Colin Wilkinson, RIP, whose Funeral Mass is at 10.00 am on Wednesday, 7th October
Jane Murray Flutter, RIP, whose memorial service is on Monday, 12th October
Michael McCole, RIP, whose Funeral Mass is at 10.00 am on Thursday, 15th October
Mina Murphy, RIP, whose Requiem Mass is at 10.00 am on Tuesday, 20th October
Elsie Armstrong, RIP, whose Requiem Mass is (TBC) at 10.00 am on Thursday, 22nd October
We send our prayers and condolences to their families and friends. All are invited.
May They Rest in Peace. Amen.

MINI-CHURCH will take place today in the Baptistery room. All children of primary school age are welcome.

SUNDAY COFFEE: After Mass today, please join us in the hall for coffee/tea and biscuits. Come into the hall and enjoy the community spirit here at St Teresa's. You are all welcome.

SPIRITAN DAY OF GIVING in support of the missions and works of the Spiritans (Congregation of the Holy Ghost) across the UK and the world is on Sunday, 11th October, with a special collection taken at Mass. (Some Go to Mission by Giving. Some Give to the Mission by Going). Special envelopes (Gift-Aid) are available at the back of the church. Thanks

ST TERESA'S NURSERY CLASS Statutory Consultation Survey. Dumfries and Galloway Council is conducting a public consultation from Thursday 10 September to Friday 6 November 2026. All are invited to make representations to the council in respect of the proposal. "It is important that everyone we are consulting with tells us about their thoughts on the proposal." Bishop Frank's submission is also inserted in our newsletter. You too can scan the QR code here to let them know what you think. Or write to the council at: Statutory Consultation – St Teresa's Nursery Class, Dumfries and Galloway Council. Militia House. 109/111 English Street. DG1 2HR. Email: statutoryconsultation@dumgal.gov.uk

FEAST DAY/ VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION. Thank you to all who helped organise and run last Thursday's celebration of the feast of St Teresa's and the Volunteer Recognition Rite. Thanks to Francis Toolis, who gave us a profound and astonishing reflection on St Theresa of Lisieux last Monday. Those were lovely and uplifting occasions in which we, as Jesus says, 'Rejoice that your names are written in heaven.' (Lk 10:18)

CHURCH HEATING APPEAL. Many thanks for the £284.17 raised at last Sunday's special collection for the church heating/building fund. Thank you for being so generous, as always.

LECTIO DIVINA/ BIBLE STUDY - every Tuesday, from 10.45 am in the Parish Hall. A cuppa is served at the start; it finishes 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.

RACE NIGHT will be held on 10th October at 7 pm. This is an adults-only event. If you would like to sponsor a race at £25.00 (8 races) or buy a horse at £5.00 (8 horses per race), please put your name on the lists at the back of the Church. Thank you.

ABABA PROJECT: There will be a loose change collection for the Ababa Project today, Sunday, 4th October. Thank you.

THE ANNUAL SAFEGUARDING Statement is on the noticeboards. There are free spare copies for you at the back of the Church.

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY. If you have been a life-long devotee of the Rosary, or if you are coming back to the Rosary after a long break, or if you are feeling attracted to the Rosary for the very first time, you will find in this October Rosary devotion great encouragement, enlightenment and a new desire for a deeper, personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Join our community Rosary every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9.30 am, before Mass.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? The course to prepare for the reception into the Catholic Faith as an adult (known as RCIA) will start **on Tuesday, 13th October 2026, from 6.15 pm in the Baptistery Room.** Interested? You are welcome to attend if you are an adult (aged 14+) and you have been thinking about becoming a Catholic or are interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith.

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RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN (RCIC). We are starting the programme for the children of the parish from p.4 who want to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2027. You can still pick up a Registration Form from the back of the Church or St Teresa's Primary School office and return it to the school office or parish office this week. **A meeting for parents/guardians will take place in the church (our Lady's altar) after 11.30 am Mass on Sunday, 11th October, for half an hour.** Thanks.

WEDNESDAY LUNCH HUB: Will take place on Wednesday, 7th October in the hall. This is for all parishioners and their friends, beginning with their complimentary lunch at 12.30 pm. Doors open from 12 noon going on till 3 pm. All are welcome. Thank you.

SCOTTISH LAITY NETWORK - November Gathering. The Scottish Laity Network has organised a Gathering to celebrate and give thanks for the fruits of their shared journey and to discern what comes next. The event is on Saturday 7th November at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge, either in person or online. Please check the SLN website for further information. http://scottishlaitynetwork.org.uk



Janey Walser wrote these words: "I once worked in a grocery store and often assisted elderly people when they came in. One woman shopped nearly every day, asking for just a few items each time. After a month, she said to me, "I suppose you wonder why I'm here so often. You see, I live with my nephew. I can't stand him, and I am not going to die and leave him with a refrigerator full of food."

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**: SCAN ME!

. **Cheque**: payable to "RCDG ST TERESA'S DUMFRIES"

. **Cash**: use the H. Appeal envelope



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

Thank You

Mission Encounter

St. Teresa's. Holy Trinity. St. Luke's

10th October RACE NIGHT	7 pm, St Teresa's Dumfries
7th November PARISH CONCERT	7 pm. - £12 Ticket St Teresa's Dumfries
12th November ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS	*We Remember Them* 7 pm, H. Trinity Lockerbie/ St Teresa's Dfrs
19th November PRISONERS WEEK SERVICE	'Love Mercy.' Mic 6:8 7 pm, St Teresa's Dumfries
12th December ADVENT RETREAT	9.30 am – 3.00 pm, St Teresa's Dumfries,

Mass Offering/ Donations
No Cash, No problem
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