

MASS TEXT

Sunday Year C
Weekday Cycle I
Divine Office: Vol. 3. Week IV

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

OT Read: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

RP: 45

The waters of a river give joy to
God's city, the holy place, the
abode of the Most High.

NT Read: 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I have chosen and consecrated this
house, says the Lord, that my name
may be there for ever. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 2:13-22

PREFACE: Dedication of TLB
EUCH. PRAYER: III

16th November 2025
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. C

OT Read: Malachi 4:1-2a

RP: 97

NT Read: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

WEEKLY COLLECTION

St. Teresa's: **£751.05**
Holy Trinity & St. Luke's: **£199.00**
*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.

BUILT ON LOVE

Today's feast celebrates not just a
building, but a profound truth — that
God chooses to dwell among His peo-
ple and within them. The readings of
the day beautifully trace this divine
presence from the temple in Ezekiel's
vision, where life-giving water flows from the sanctuary,
to St. Paul's bold proclamation that "you are God's tem-
ple," and finally to Jesus' revelation of His body as the
true temple of God. These are not separate truths but a
movement: from the physical temple to the human heart,
from structure to spirit.

Jesus' action at the temple reveals that worship is not
about commerce or convenience; it is about communion.
The Feast of the Lateran Basilica, therefore, calls us to
the truth that we are not just visitors to the temple; we
ourselves are the temple.

When we live as God's dwelling, our words heal, our
actions nourish, and our presence brings peace. Hence,
today's feast is a timely reminder for us to examine the
"marketplaces" within ourselves that turn our sacred
spaces, both physical and spiritual, into places of trans-
action rather than transformation. The same Christ who
overturned tables in Jerusalem wants to overturn what-
ever clutters the inner temple of our lives today, so that
the Spirit can dwell freely in us, and our communion
with God becomes fuller.

- Rev. Rashmi Fernando, SJ.

(Jesuit Priest and educator from Sri Lanka).

We Remember Them

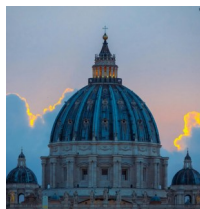
- Those Who Journeyed With Us -

Lord, be good to them,
And show them all your love.
Lord, be kind to them, And grant them peace above.
Lord, be merciful to them, And wipe their sins away.
Lord, be generous to them, With all my heart I pray.

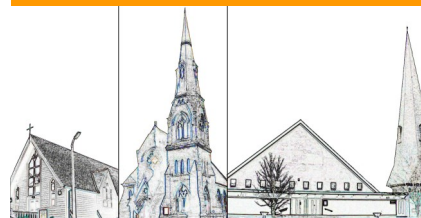
Lord, be gracious to them,
For the good that they have done.
Lord, be gentle to them, For sufferings undergone.
Lord, may we meet again at last,
When heaven's crown's been won.

- Fr. Patrick Sayles SSC

KEEP IN PRAYER the recently deceased members:
Liam Murray, Daphne Little, Catriona J. Lau, Rosie Biggin,
Delia Moscardini, Joan White, Laurie Howell, John McKay,
Tony Ade A. Egede, RIP. We pray for them, and their families.



Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - 9th November 2025



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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 C - Cycle 1 - 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 8th November – Blessed John Duns Scotus, P.

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

10.00 am - **St A- Mass**

5.00 pm - **St. L. Vigil Mass** – Hugh White, RIP, 10th Anni

Sunday 9th November - Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9.30 am - **HTL - Mass** - Fred Nicholls/ Arthur Piggott, RIP

11.30 am - **St. T.- Mass** – Reginald Ofoegbu, RIP

Monday 10th November - St Leo the Great, Pope, Dr.

10.00 am – **St. T. –Mass** - Dennis McMillian & Family, P. Int

Tuesday 11th November - St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

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

10.00 am – **St. T. –Mass** - Annette Kelly, Wellbeing

Wednesday 12th November - St Josephat, Martyr

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

10.00 am – **HTL– Mass** - Mary McLaughlin, RIP, Anni

10.00 am – **St. A. – Mass**

7. 00 pm - **St. T. - Divine Office** - Evening Prayer (Vespers)

Thursday 13th November - Feria

10.00 am – **St. T.– Mass** - Elizabeth Brook McCaffery, RIP

Friday 14th November - Feria

10.00 am – **St. A. – Mass**

7. 00 pm - **St. T. - Holy Hour** - Adoration, Divine office

Saturday 15th - St. Albert the Great, Bishop, Dr.

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

10.00 am - **St T. - Mass** - James Butterworth, Wellbeing

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

5.00 pm - **St. L. -Vigil Mass** - Edward Duffy, MM

Sunday 16th November - 33rd Sunday in OT

9.30 am - **HTL - Mass** - Margaret Hart, RIP, 1st Anni

11.30 am - **St. T.- Mass** – Vincent Kelly, RIP

6.00 pm - **St. T.– Mass -Youth (P6-S4)**, Talk. Games.Pizza

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

NOVEMBER, we pray for our loved ones who have gone out to meet the Lord, and leave their names before the altar at all Masses in November. Lists can be returned at any time to the box in the Sanctuary. Light candles and say prayers for the love their memory leaves us with and the resurrection we hope for.

RITE OF PRESENTATION of our RCIC children is celebrated at Mass today. This is an important stage in the faith journey of our children, preparing for the reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. We rejoice to see them taking this step and we pray for them and their parents and sponsors. Thank you.

RACE NIGHT. Thank you to all those who helped to organise and run last Friday's Race Night. It was another lovely occasion, great fun, and £935.60 was raised for the church heating fund. Thank you all.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY will take place today, in the Baptistery room.

PRISONERS' WEEK 16 - 23 NOVEMBER. The theme "Crossroads: What Next?" encourages Christians everywhere to pray for prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities and those working or volunteering in the criminal justice system.

The Prisoners' Families Christmas Appeal is on. This year, all are invited to kindly donate to the HMP Dumfries Common Good Fund, using the special envelopes at the back of the church. The fund benefits every prisoner and their children.

YOUTH (P6-S4) EVENINGS: The next monthly Cluster Youth Evening for all in P6-S4 takes place in St Teresa's, Dumfries, on Sunday 16th November. They will reflect on 'The Saints: Who are they and why do they matter?'. Young people are invited to come dressed up as their favourite saint, with a prize for the best costume. The evening runs from 5.00 – 7.00 pm, beginning with Mass at 5.00 pm.

– CORRECTION: Last week's bulletin incorrectly stated P5-S4; the correct age range for the Youth Evenings is P6-S4.

GROW IN FAITH/ RCIA. The next evening for all those interested in discussing and growing in their knowledge of the faith, and for those adults joining RCIA, will take place on Tuesday, 11th November, from 6.15 pm in the parish hall. All are welcome. Thanks

MINIBUS TRIP: to Livingston on 19th November, leaving at 9 am. Limited places now available, so please sign up at the back of the Church.

Heating Appeal

St. Teresa's church's old boilers are to be replaced with a more energy-efficient system at £40,500. While we are excited that this will offer a warm and welcoming space for all, we need to raise funds to ensure St Teresa's is there for future generations, so we are asking for your support, however small or large.

Can You Help? Donate by:

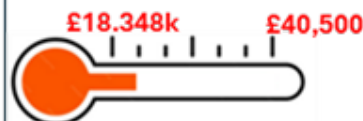
Online:



Cheque:

payable to
"RCDGST
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

HEATING FUNDRAISING ideas.

You can DO: Sponsored events - Walks/ Park Runs/ Sleep-outs/ Cake Sales/ Silence/ Bungee Jumping/ Skydiving, etc. - Contact the office

Enter for St Teresa's Talent Show on Saturday, 29th November, and raise fund for the heating while having fun. Pick a form at the back of the church.

- Special Collection at Mass on last Sunday of the month: 30th November

Remembrance Sunday, 9th November 2025

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning
We will remember them."



LEADERS NEEDED to support our growing monthly Youth Evenings run by the Diocesan Youth Office. **What's involved?** You would be assisting with safeguarding, supervision, and cooking pizza. **What won't you need to do?** You won't be asked to prepare or lead evenings, all of this is done by our S3 Junior Leaders in collaboration with the Youth Office. **All that we ask is two hours of your time each month to help keep these evenings running.** Could you help? Email youth@rcdg.org.uk for more details or to volunteer.

DUMFRIES PARISHES CELEBRATION. A joint service with St Andrew's Church to mark the Jubilee Year, with the Evening Prayer of Christ the King (Vespers) will hold on Sunday, 23rd November, from 6.30 pm, at St Andrew's, followed by a Tea/ Social in the hall. All are invited to attend with family, friends, and the Christians across Dumfries.

100 CLUB. New members are welcome, only £2 per month. Please complete the form at the back of the church or contact Irene. Proceeds go to church funds.

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT. On Saturday, 6th December, from 9.30 am – 2.30 pm. You are all invited, with your family and friends, to come away for a reflective weekend with the Lord.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Tickets are now available for sale. Please pick up raffle books from Irene after Mass at the back of the Church. Drawn on 7th December. 1st Prize £100, 2nd Prize Christmas Hamper, 3rd Prize £50.

ST TERESA'S GOT TALENT: If you can sing, recite poetry, dance, tell jokes, play an instrument, etc, we are looking for you. Sign up for St Teresa's Got Talent to be held on 29th November in the Church Hall. Pick up an entry form from the back of the church.

Parish Christmas Dinner: On Friday 12th December at 7pm. Two course Christmas dinner cost Adults £20.00 Children under 12 years £10.00. Money paid by the 7th December. This is open to everyone in the parish. Sign up on the sheet at the back of the Church.

ALTAR SERVERS MEETING. We are grateful to our army of altar servers, and all (new and long-serving) are invited to a meeting and training session in church, after Mass on Sunday, 16th November. Please, could parents, as always, give them the support to attend?

WEEKDAY MASSES. As work on our Church heating system gets underway, the weekend Masses will now take place in the parish Hall. All are welcome.

CHURCH/ HALL CLEANING. Many thanks to all who came out weekly to give our Church & hall a deep clean. More hands are needed for the cleaning. Please come along on Tuesdays or Thursdays, am. Or you and your family/ friends can choose the time/ day of the week that suits you and do as much as you can. Thanks to Sandra/ Joe for their efforts. Please speak to them or Fr Uchenna for access and the tasks tracker. Thanks



Two little boys were sitting together in a church during a wedding ceremony. As the couple said "I do", one of the little boys leaned over to the other and asked, "I wonder how many wives can a man have?" The second little boy looked at his friend like he was an idiot and said, "He can have 16 wives." "How do you know that?" The first little boy asked. "Weren't you listening? The priest just said it. Four better, four worse, four richer, and four poorer."

Mass Offering/ Donations
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SCAN ME!

The church is OPEN!

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