

## St AIDAN'S PARISH CHURCH

### MASS TIMES

Sunday Masses	Saturday Vigil 6 pm, Sunday 10 a.m. and 12 Noon.
Holyday of Obligation	Vigil 7.30 pm, 10 a.m. and 7.30 pm.
Weekdays	8.15am (Mondays to Fridays) and 10.00am (daily).
Confessions	After All Saturday Masses

### Parish Ministers' Rota

11th October 2009

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Vigil	B. Higgins E. Lynn, S. Woods	G. Traynor
10.00 a.m.	C. Allen P. McGinlay	A. McCrossan K. McGinley
12 Noon	J. McCann J. Slavin	R. Fox P. Allison

### TODAY'S READINGS

In Hebrew the word "adam" means "earth" and the word "eve" means "living". The story of adam and eve is really about earth and all things living on it: the story of all of us. We shouldn't try to figure out how God made a woman out of a man's rib. The real point of the story is that God created each of us incomplete. We need others, especially those of the opposite sex, to achieve human perfection in love. We need each other throughout life, not only in marriage, if we are to grow. We need to cultivate friendships, to reach out to others, to share with them. We need God to achieve complete perfection in love.

In the Gospel reading the conservative religious leaders try to trap Jesus with a loaded question. The Old Testament allowed divorce in. The problem was that the text in Deuteronomy seems to indicate that it could be granted if the husband found the woman displeasing AND she was unfaithful. A debate raged in the time of Christ as to whether two different things were involved: 1. displeasure and 2. infidelity. Some camps said that mere displeasure was enough. Hence a wife could be divorced if she burned the bread or became wrinkled. Others said that both conditions were necessary. No matter which way Jesus answered, some would be angered. So, he simply teaches the sanctity of marriage. God's plan was to establish an indissoluble bond between man and woman in marriage. What God has united, no person may break up.

# St Aidan's Parish Bulletin

27th Sunday (Year B)

4th October 2009



*“What God has united, man  
must not divide.”*

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## Week 27 of the Year (Year 1)

**Wednesday 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary.** The month of October is dedicated to Mary under the theme of the rosary with the fest of Our Lady of the Rosary on 7th October. On the 7th October 1571 the Christian forces won an important naval battle against the Moslem Turks at Lepanto Strait (near western Greece). Pope Pius V attributed the credit for the victory to the rosary and ordered that the anniversary of the victory be celebrated.

### St Aidan's Youth Club

Help the Youth Club to raise funds by recycling your old mobile phones. Old phones can be left in the box in the church Porch. The Youth Club still needs more adult volunteers. If you can spare a few hours a week, contact Cathy on 01698 383553

### Pastoral Retreat Centre November Events

#### **5.11.09** An Evening for Readers

Evenings for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

#### **10.11.09** The role during Mass

**17.11.09** Taking Holy Communion to the Sick; Leading celebrations of the Word with distribution of Holy Communion.

**21.11.09** Exploring and Living Adult Faith in the context of the Local Parish Community

**For more details, please see posters in church porch.**

The governor resigned his high office and came to the Master demanding to be taught "What is it that you wish me to teach you?" asked the Master

"Wisdom" was the reply.

"Ah, my friend" replied the Master "How gladly would I do that were it not for one major obstacle."

"What?"

"Wisdom can't be taught."

"So there is nothing I can learn here."

"Wisdom can be learnt. But it can't be taught."

The Master once proposed a riddle: "What do the artist and the musician have in common with the mystic?" After everyone gave up the master said: "The realisation that the finest speech does not come from the tongue."

Anthony de Mello S.J. One Minute Nonsense



### VOCATION NOTICE

"Let the little children come to me; do not stop them" Are you being called to bring others to Christ as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call your diocesan vocations director:

Rev. Charles Dornan  
St Bernard's 51 Hermitage Crescent,  
Shawhead Coatbridge ML5 4NB  
Tel. 01236 422451  
Email: charles.dornan@btconnect.com  
Or visit [www.priestsforScotland.org.uk](http://www.priestsforScotland.org.uk)

### Your prayers are requested for:

#### The recently deceased:

Katie Ward

#### The anniversaries and month's minds of:

Ann, Robert, Mary, Jessie and Stuart Syme.

Robert and Grace McVey.

Joseph Cassidy, Eleanor Cassidy, Isabella McAllister

## PARISH HUMOUR

One day in church, the priest delivered a sermon based on the timeless story of the prodigal son. When he got to the point where the father sees his son returning and races out to meet him, the minister said "Throwing wide his arms, the father said..."

A young boy jumped up & shouted, "YOU'RE GROUNDED!"

Jimmy, from Glasgow, decided to go into the business of training greyhounds. He bought a greyhound but sadly it died before it could race.

A few months later he met a pall Willie, who said that he was very sorry to hear that his greyhound business had failed when the dog died.

"Not at all, Willie", replied Jimmy. "that dog made me a fortune."

"How did you manage that?" asked the astonished Willie?"

"I organised a raffle with the dog as the prize and sold thousands of tickets at £5 each."

"Raffle a dead dog? You must have got nothing but complaints."

"Only from the man that won. And I gave him his five pounds back!"

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

Tom: Hi Betty .

Betty: Hey Tom, did you learn about the Gospel in school this week?

Tom: We sure did Betty. It is about men and women becoming a team through marriage and in God's eyes this is a very special team. I really like the last part of the Gospel, though. It tells us how much Jesus loves kids like us.

Betty: really?

Tom: Yes and he stopped the disciples blocking the children coming to meet him. Jesus loves kids in a special way because he knows that our hearts are full of love.

Betty: I wonder what it was like to meet Jesus?

Tom: We know that we can talk to Jesus anytime, he is always with us, especially at Holy Communion. Jesus loves us so much that he is with each of us in a really special way during he Gospel and at Holy Communion. Think about that Betty"

*What will you say to Jesus during Holy Communion this Sunday?*

### New Year trip to Donegal

**30th December to 3rd January**  
4 Nights Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

**Holyrood Hotel, Bundoran.**  
**Adults £299 Children £169**

Deposit of £30 required. Balance due by 29th October. For Details contact  
A. Donnelly 01698 333958

## PARISH NOTICES

**BINGO** Live bingo in the hall every Sunday at 7.30 pm.

**STALL** The stall is available in the hall after both Sunday Masses.

**Men's Club.** The Men's Club meets every Thursday at 7.30pm in the hall. Men's Club Mass on the first Thursday of the month.

Intimations for the sick, the recently deceased and anniversaries and all other items for the bulletin must reach the Parish Priest by Thursday for inclusion in that week's bulletin. Intimations received after Thursday will be included in the next week's bulletin.

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