

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	Monday to Friday 8.15am and 10.00am Saturday 10.00am.
Confessions	After All Saturday Masses

Parish Ministers' Rota

21st June 2009

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Vigil	B. Higgins E. Lynn, S. Woods	D. McKendrick
10.00 a.m.	E. Grattan E. Campbell	J. Sneddon L. McCullough
12 Noon	L. Moon J. Fox	G. McKelvie R. Fox

Today's Mass



In today's first reading from the book of Exodus the word 'all' is used repeatedly. In brief: *all* the people promise obedience to *all* the words of the Lord. There's no half measures, no *a la carte* approach to the Lord's commands. There wasn't then, there isn't now.

Today we celebrate the feast of *Corpus Christ*, the Body and Blood of Christ. The Eucharist that Christ gave us is a meal open to all people who have committed themselves in faith to Jesus as Saviour.

The Eucharist, while it needs to be celebrated in a manner that expresses life, joy and community, is not an entertainment event. It's joyful yet serious, lively yet dignified and, in a sense, 'ordinary' yet holy.

What we need to realise too, however, is that it also requires effort on our part to prepare for it and a further effort to celebrate it well. That's where the 'all' comes in again. We can't prepare for the Eucharist with only part of our life. Following Jesus is a total lifelong commitment. How could anyone celebrate Mass on a Sunday, having lived like a pagan on Saturday?



Fr Tom Cahill SVD

St Aidan's Parish Bulletin

The Body and Blood of Christ

(Year B)

14th June 2009



"This is my body...This is my blood."

Parish Priest: Rev. Joseph Clements

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Week 11 of the Year (Year 1)

Friday 19th June The Sacred Heart.

Saturday 20th June The Immaculate Heart of Mary

The 8.15am Weekday Mass will resume on Monday.

Vocation Bulletin Inserts

"This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many." Are you being chosen by Christ to be poured out for souls with Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Call your diocesan vocations director:

Rev. Charles Dornan
St Stephen's, Paddock Street,
Sikeside, Coatbridge ML5 4PG
Tel. 01236 4205 . Email:
charles.dornan@btconnect.com
or visit www.priestsforScotland.org.uk

Questions People Ask

Q. What did Jesus mean by the blood of the new covenant?

A. The Bible is a library of two testaments. The Old Testament is about God's first covenant with his people, a covenant given through Noah, Abraham and Moses.

The New Testament is the documentation of the new covenant, inaugurated by Jesus Christ, by which we are raised up as children of God. Before the time of Jesus, people regularly renewed their side of the covenant by offering blood sacrifices. The new covenant was ratified once and for all in the blood of Jesus, shed on Calvary

Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap

Diocesan Pilgrimage

Carfin Grotto

Today 14th June

3.00

St Catherine's Lanark Residential Care Home Manager

St Catherine's care Home for the Sisters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul is due to re-open this summer. We are looking for a Registered Manager to lead and manage this small service.

For further information call Sr. Mai O' Connor on 07889837682.

This post will require an Enhanced Disclosure Check.

Hospitalite De Notre Dame De Lourdes

ANNUAL LOURDES DAY

SUNDAY 28TH June 2009

Carfin Grotto

Mass and Blessing of the Sick

3.00pm

Celebrant: Bishop Joseph Devine

AIRBLES CEMETERY

Ninth Annual Ecumenical Day of
Remembrance and Prayer

Sunday 21st June at 3.00pm

Service conducted by Rev. Gerard
Chromy St Patrick's Shieldmuir

Rev Derek Pope North Motherwell
Parish Church

Car Parking available at the Bank of
Scotland Call Centre, opposite the
cemetery.

ALL WELCOME

PARISH HUMOUR

A healing Pastor came to a church. There was a long line to see him. It was a little boys turn in line and he said it was his hearing.

So, the healing Pastor grabbed his ears and said a prayer.

The Pastor let go and asked, "how's your hearing now".

"I don't know.. it's not till Friday," replied the boy.

The irate customer called the newspaper shop loudly demanded to know where her Sunday paper was.

Ma'am, said the employee, today is Saturday. The Sunday paper is not delivered 'til Sunday.'

There was quite a pause on the other end of the phone, followed by a sigh of recognition.

'So that's why no one was in church today.'

A young clergyman, fresh out of the seminary, thought it would help him better understand the fears and temptations his future congregations faced if he first took a job as a policeman for several months. He passed the physical examination; then came the oral exam to test his ability to act quickly and wisely in an emergency. Among other questions he was asked, "What would you do to disperse a frenzied crowd?"

PARISH NOTICES

BINGO Bingo in the hall every Sunday at 7.30 pm.

STALL Stall available in the hall after both Sunday Masses.

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

200 Club. 203 M. McFarlane £70; 158 p. O'Donnell; 193 A. O'Donnell £10.

Intimations for the sick, the recently deceased and anniversaries must reach the Parish Priest by Saturday morning at the latest. All items for the bulletin should reach Fr. Clements by Thursday of each week. We acknowledge the assistance of *Intercom* in the preparation of the text for parts of this bulletin.

He thought for a moment and then replied, "I would take up a collection."

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Tom: Hi there Betty, you know our teacher told us that this Sunday's Gospel is mega important.

Betty: I know, we did it in school today as well. The Gospel tells about the very first time that Jesus took the bread, blessed it, broke it and then gave it as his own body, blessed and broken for us. Then Jesus blessed the wine and gave it to the disciples as his own blood poured out for us all.

Tom: Wow, it is mega! That was the beginning of Mass and that is what we were included in when we made our first Holy Communion last year.
Betty: Yes, my Mum said that my First Holy Communion was all about God's love for us and that is what she meant, God's only Son was blessed and broken and given for us.

Tom: This makes me want to try hard to listen and to concentrate at Mass when the priest repeats the words of Jesus at the Last Supper.

Betty: That's a great idea Tom, let's try hard to concentrate and listen at this special time at Mass every Sunday. The next time you are at Mass, try hard to listen and concentrate when you hear the words of Jesus at the consecration.