**THE PARISHES OF ST MARTIN AND ST NINIAN'S, WHITHORN, OUR LADY AND ST NINIAN'S, NEWTON STEWART, ST PETER’S, DALBEATTIE AND ST ANDREW’S AND ST CUTHBERT’S, KIRKCUDBRIGHT, with THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART, WIGTOWN, and including the former churches of ST JOHN’S, CASTLE DOUGLAS, and the CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, GATEHOUSE OF FLEET**

*Diocese of Galloway Registered Charity No. SC010576*

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  **Feast of Body and Blood of Christ Year C 22nd June 2025**

**Masses and Services this Week**

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|  | **Dalbeattie** | **Kirkcudbright** | **Newton Stewart** | **Whithorn** | **Wigtown** |
| **Saturday****21 June** | **17.00 Mass** |  |  | **17.00 Mass**  |  |
| **Sunday** **22 June** |  | **09.30 Mass** | **11.30 Mass** |  |  |
| **Monday****23 June** | **10.00 Service and Exposition** |  |  |  | **11.00 Service****12.00 Ninian Moment** |
| **Tuesday****24 June** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Wednesday 25 June** | **10.00 Service and Rosary** |  |  | **10.30 Mass\***  |  |
| **Thursday** **26 June** |  |  | **10.00 Service** |  |  |
| **Friday** **27 June** | **10.00 Service** | **10.00 Mass** |  |  | **11.30 Mass** |
| **Saturday****28 June** | **17.00 Mass**  |  |  | **17.00 Mass** |  |
| **Sunday****29 June** |  | **09.30 Mass** | **11.30 Mass** |  |  |

***(\*) The Masses in Whithorn on Wednesdays at 10.30 will be celebrated by Fr Simon in accordance with the liturgy of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham. The Rosary will be said before this Mass on Wednesdays.***

**Feasts this week:** Tues – Birth of John the Baptist; Fri – Sacred Heart of Jesus; Sun – Saints Peter and Paul

**Recent Dead: Please pray for those who have died recently including May Farrer RIP (Gatehouse of Fleet), Eriks Gedvillo RIP (Latvia), Anne Curran RIP (formerly Newton Stewart), William Anderson RIP (Dalbeattie) and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.**

**For an expanded bulletin please go to the parishes’ website at** [**www.catholicchurchgalloway.org.uk**](http://www.catholicchurchgalloway.org.uk)

**VISIT OF THE PAPAL NUNCIO TO GALLOWAY DIOCESE:** Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, will visit Galloway Diocese from 24th – 27th June.  He will meet with the faithful and clergy at events in each deanery.  There will be two public gatherings during his visit and an open invitation is extended to everyone.  On Wednesday 25th June at 7.00 pm, the Nuncio will celebrate Mass with the diocesan clergy in St Margaret’s Cathedral, Ayr.  On Thursday 26th June at 7.00 pm, Sung Evening Prayer will be celebrated in St Joseph’s Church, Hill Street, Kilmarnock with ecumenical and civic guests present.  All are welcome.  In addition to these gatherings, all members of Parish Pastoral Councils and Diocesan Pastoral Councils are invited to meet with the Nuncio before Evening Prayer on Thursday 26th June at 6.00 pm in St Joseph’s Church Hall, Hill Street, Kilmarnock.

**Peter’s Pence Annual Special Collection will be taken up next weekend (28/29 June):** The aims of the donations are: • to support the Holy Father’s mission • to support the Pope’s charitable initiatives • to provide aid in humanitarian emergencies. Peter’s Pence is an offering that has a profound symbolic value: it expresses love and trust for the Holy Father, Peter’s successor, and it is a tangible gesture of closeness to the Pope’s mission of bringing the Gospel and spreading charity and love all over the world.

**St Andrew’s and St Cuthbert’s, Kirkcudbright**

**1/ Congratulations: We welcome and congratulate the children and their families who will be celebrating the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion this weekend.**

**2/ Kirkcudbright Churches Together Cuthbert Moment: Ecumenical time of prayer in Greyfriars Church, Kirkcudbright, on Thursdays at 11.00.**

**3/ TLC Café: On Fridays from 12.00-13.30 in the Cuthbert Room. All welcome.**

**4/ Tea and Coffee: After Sunday Mass in the hall.** All welcome.

**East Wigtownshire Parishes**

**1/ Feast of the Sacred Heart: Friday of this week. Mass in Sacred Heart Church, Wigtown, at 11.30.**

**2/ Ninian Moments: This ecumenical time of prayer takes place on Mondays at 12.00 in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Wigtown, and in Whithorn in St Martin & St Ninian’s on the first Tues of the month at 12.00.**

**3/ First Friday Taize Inspired Contemplative Prayer Sessions: In the Sacred Heart Church, Wigtown, at 18.30, on the first Friday of the month.**

**4/ Prayers for Peace for Ukraine: On Tuesdays from 12.00-12.30 in Penninghame Parish Church.**

**5/ Tea and Coffee: After Sunday Mass at the back of the church in Newton Stewart.**

**St Peter’s, Dalbeattie**

**1/ TLC Café: On Tuesdays from 12.00-13.30. All welcome**

**Foodbank Donations**

**Our parishes support the Machars Churches Together, the Stewartry Churches Together, and the Dalbeattie foodbanks. Donations of tins etc can be left in the boxes at the back of the churches. Monetary donations also welcome. Donations can also be made online via the parishes website:** [www.catholicchurchgalloway.org.uk](http://www.catholicchurchgalloway.org.uk)

**Fr William’s Sunday Homilies**

**Available as podcasts. Simply go to the parishes website on www.catholicchurchgalloway.org.uk and click on the link or click on this QR code.**



**Dates for the Diary**

**To celebrate Fr William’s 40th Anniversary of Ordination there will be informal parish get-togethers after Mass on Sunday 29th June in Kirkcudbright, before Mass on Saturday 5th July at 14.00 in Dalbeattie, and after Mass on Sunday 6th July in Newton Stewart. It would also be good to celebrate other anniversaries this year, so anyone celebrating a 40th birthday, or 40th wedding anniversary etc. should let Fr William know.**

**Parish Finances**

**Thank you for your contributions to the parish finances. Opportunities for online donations are available:**

<https://givealittle.co/c/RCDalbeattie> <https://givealittle.co/c/RCEastWigtownshire>

<https://givealittle.co/c/RCKirkcudbright>

There are also machines for contactless card payments in Kirkcudbright and in Newton Stewart.

 

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**Information for our Youth**

***1/* Young Adults (S5-30) Evening: Aged 18-30?** Join us in St Teresa’s, Dumfries (DG2 9DE) for our next evening on Sunday 6th July, starting with Mass at 6.00 pm. Mr & Mrs John & Elizabeth Lester will then be speaking on prayer: forms of prayer and why we pray. For more info, search @rcdgyouth online.

***2/* Galloway Youth (P6-S4) Summer Gathering:** Are you in P6-S4? Come and join us on Saturday 9th August from 11.00 – 4.00 pm in St Joseph’s Church, Kilmarnock for our Summer Youth Gathering! *(free transport available from Saltcoats, Ayr, and Dumfries)* Join with young people from across the Diocese as we gather to celebrate the theme of Hope with games, activities, talks, Mass – and of course pizza and a BBQ – all led by our fantastic S3 Junior Leaders! The day is free for all, but please register in advance by scanning the QR code on the poster or searching for @rcdgyouth on social media.

**The Pope’s Prayer Intention for June: That the world might grow in compassion -** Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

**Patients in D & G Royal Infirmary and in other hospitals**

**Anyone wishing a visit and/or to receive the Sacraments while in hospital should text or message on 07591 230828. Anyone wishing a home visit from Fr William should contact him directly.**

**Justice and Peace Scotland**

**Faslane Peace Vigil:** In the week of the 80th anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki join Justice & Peace Scotland president Archbishop William Nolan; the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, Rt. Rev. Rosemary Frew; Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church, Most Rev Mark Strange; and members of the Iona Community for an ecumenical service of prayer, reflection and hymns. All are welcome as we raise our voices for a world without nuclear weapons on the site where these affronts to humanity are housed.

A free bus will be provided from Edinburgh and Glasgow. The Lothian Buses coach will arrive at Waterloo Place (beside Waverley Station) in Edinburgh at 7.30am and depart at 7.45am, then pick up in Gordon Street, Glasgow (at the front of Central Station), leaving here at 9.15am. For any queries contact: office@justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk

Catch up with all the latest activities, campaigning and events across the J&P network. Go to [www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk](http://www.justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk)

**Safeguarding in the Diocese**

**Regular Safeguarding Updates can be found on the diocesan website:** [www.rcdg.org.uk](http://www.rcdg.org.uk)