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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

21 JUNE 2020:
TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Year A (II); Psalter: Week 4)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13
Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 68:8-10.14.17.33-35
2nd Reading: Roman 5:12-15
Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

Date	Details	Service	Time
Sunday 21 June	TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (p. 729 – Year A)	LIVE-STREAMED MASS ON FACEBOOK	9.30 am
Monday 22 June	St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More, Martyrs (Optional Memorial) Mass Intention: Charles Lucas, RIP (Recently Departed)	LIVE-STREAMED MASS ON FACEBOOK	9.30 am
Tuesday 23 June	Tuesday of Week 12 in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Amy Morrison (Health and Intentions)	LIVE-STREAMED MASS ON FACEBOOK	9.30 am
Wednesday 24 June	NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (SOLEMNITY) Mass Intention: Angus MacMillan, RIP (Recently Departed)	LIVE-STREAMED MASS ON FACEBOOK	9.30 am
Thursday 25 June	Thursday of Week 12 in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Dr. Andrew Townsend, RIP (Anniversary)	LIVE-STREAMED MASS ON FACEBOOK	9.30 am
Friday 26 June	St. Josemaría Escrivá, Priest (Optional Memorial) Mass Intention: Private Intention	LIVE-STREAMED MASS ON FACEBOOK	9.30 am
Saturday 27 June	ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD Mass Intention: Private Intention	LIVE-STREAMED MASS ON FACEBOOK	9.30 am
Sunday 28 June	THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (p. 733 – Year A)	LIVE-STREAMED MASS ON FACEBOOK	9.30 am

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Be Not Afraid

Our commitment to Christ will be put to the test. We will hear whispered warnings and denunciations, as Jeremiah does in today's First Reading. Even so-called friends will try to trap us and trip us up. For His sake we will bear insults and be made outcasts—even in our own homes, we hear in today's Psalm.

As Jeremiah tells us, we must expect that God will challenge our faith in Him, and probe our minds and hearts, to test the depths of our love. "Do not be afraid," Jesus assures us three times in today's Gospel.

Though He may permit us to suffer for our faith, our Father will never forget or abandon us. As Jesus assures us today, everything unfolds in His Providence, under His watchful gaze—even the falling of the tiniest sparrow to the ground. Each one of us is precious to Him.

Steadfast in this faith, we must resist the tactics of Satan. He is the enemy who seeks the ruin of our soul in Gehenna, or hell.

We are to seek God, as the Psalmist says. Zeal for the Lord's house, for the heavenly kingdom of the Father, should consume us, as it consumed Jesus (see John 2:17). As Jesus bore the insults of those who blasphemed God, so should we (see Romans 15:3).

By the gracious gift of himself, Jesus bore the transgressions of the world, Paul tells us in today's Second Reading. In rising from the dead, He has shown us that God rescues the life of the poor, that He does not spurn His own when they are in distress. In His great mercy, He will turn toward us, as well. He will deliver us from the power of the wicked.

That is why we proclaim His name from the housetops, as Jesus tells us. That is why we sing praise and offer thanksgiving in every Eucharist. We are confident in Jesus' promise—that we who declare our faith in Him before others will be remembered before our heavenly Father. (Scott Hahn)

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Today's Liturgy (CTS New Sunday Missal): Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A (p. 729) –

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 729: Readings & Proper Prayers

p. 541: Creed

p. 567: Preface II of Sundays in Ordinary Time

p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II

p. 631: Communion Rite

Remember one another – Please try to support one another in these challenging times: a phone call to check up on elderly and vulnerable parishioners and friends; a friendly call to see if anyone needs shopping; supporting your local shops and businesses, which will be hit hard from a financial perspective. We are all in this together.

Remember your parish – If you would like to support the maintenance of our parish during this time of lockdown, here are some different ways that the parish can be assisted:

- **A regular Standing Order:** the account details are in the next column opposite, under 'Parish Finances'.
- **Donations in an envelope, put through the church letterbox.** During this period, and for the foreseeable future, any offerings, donations or benefactions to the parish will be paid in to our No. 1 (Running) Account.
- **A re-evaluation of your level of giving.** If every parishioner at Mass gave **an extra £5** (two coffees at Costa or Starbucks..), it would make an enormous difference to the future of the parish!!
- **A Bequest,** or gift left in a will, is an increasingly popular way of remembering your parish. All bequests should be made to St. Columba's Culloden Building Fund Account. All benefactors are remembered at our Masses.

Thank you for your consideration and continuing generosity and support – it is greatly appreciated.

ST. COLUMBA'S DAILY LIVE-STREAMED MASSES! Have you experienced our Live-Streamed Masses yet? You can find a LIVE Mass, every day at

9.30am, on our Parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stcolumbasculloden/live, or go to our parish website, and click the 'Facebook' icon at the top of the page.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): after recent discussion with the Bishop, the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available for those who wish to avail themselves. Confessions will be heard in the Parish Meeting Room. Entrance is by the back patio door – opposite the entrance to the House. There will be a comfy chair for the penitent, near the door, and Fr. Domenico will be seated in the other corner of the room, observing social distancing. If you would like to avail yourself of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, simply e-mail Fr. Domenico, or phone the Parish House (794993), to make an appointment.

'King David: Lessons in Leadership. A Reading of Samuel 1 and 2' – Wednesday 24 June at 7.00pm. Thank you to all those who attended our first ever Zoom study evening, which focused on the context, dating, and authorship of 1 and 2 Samuel. This week, we'll begin to look at the text, focusing on the call of Samuel. If you would like to take part, it's not too late! Simply e-mail Fr. Domenico at the parish e-mail address overleaf, and he will send you the Zoom invitation to participate in this study course. See you on Wednesday!

90 Club: Next Draw on Sunday 28th June. Good luck to all who have a number. We will soon catch up with payments when are back together again.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Michael Good, Laura Johnstone, Katie Mary Fraser, Norman Wood, Stuart MacLennan, Jeanette Catto, John Macdonald, Evelyn MacGregor, Denise Maclean, Rena Herbison, Louise Flett, Alistair Macleod, Alex Fruters, Pat McDaid, Morag Lloyd, Don Williams, Amy Morrison.

RIP: + Charles Lucas + Angus MacMillan +

Anniversaries: + Bunny Mitchell + Margaret Smith + Tom Waters + Christopher Sharp + Andrew Townsend +