



Mass Times & Intentions

Monday:	7.00 p.m.	Bridget Mazur
Tuesday:	10.00 a.m.	Charlie McFadden
Wednesday:	7.00 p.m.	Donor's Intention
Thursday:	10.00 a.m.	Eva MacLean
Friday:	10.00 a.m.	Alistair Scott
Saturday:	11.00 a.m.	Maria Dewar
Sunday:	11.00 a.m.	For the Parish

Adoration: Saturday: 10.15 - 11.00 a.m.

Confession: Saturday: 10.15 - 11.00 a.m. or by appointment

Offertory collection:

Envelopes: £120.50

Loose money: £96.25

Total: £216.75

* Nunraw Retreat

This is taking place next Sunday. We will be using our own transport. Those who wish to drive will perhaps offer a seat to two or three people on the list to make sure all are accounted for. If you would please indicate on the sheet or let me know who is travelling with you.

* Remember the sick and housebound of the parish: Robert Moyes, Pat Gilhooley, Tony Matrundola, Sylvia Berry, Liz Davis, Rose McKay, May & James Muir, Jude Ferguson, Denis Davidson.

Today's Liturgy

In today's gospel, Simon invited Jesus to a meal. When a woman of a bad reputation comes in and Jesus allows her to come near him Simon thinks to himself: "If this man were a prophet, he would know who this woman is that is touching him and what a bad name she has". Simon obviously thought he knew what a 'man of God should be like' but he didn't know Jesus. Jesus took flesh and blood to reach out to 'righteous' people like Simon and to 'sinners' like the woman of the Gospel. Some have more to be forgiven than others, but all are in need of forgiveness. To know that we need forgiveness and to ask for it (like David and Paul in first and second reading and woman of gospel) is key to forgiveness being granted.

The woman in today's gospel symbolizes the whole reason for Jesus's existence. Who are we to decide who is in or out and beyond the reach of God's acceptance and forgiveness?

Scalan Seminary and Scalan Association

The Scottish Reformation Parliament of 1560 brought in the Penal Laws which prohibited the Mass being celebrated in Scotland, priests were forbidden to be in our country at all, and clearly, preparing people for the priesthood was also against the law, and training for the Priesthood had to be organised abroad in territories which were friendly, and we eventually had seminaries in Rome, Spain, France and Bavaria. We only have one of these operating at the present time, in Rome, but we still have priests in Scotland who were trained in Paris and other places in North-ern France, and in Valladolid and Salamanca in Spain.

In the early 1700s it was felt by the bishops that they were losing too many students who went abroad, because they were not well enough prepared for going there. They needed to do some preparation with them at home before they went. There was also a desire to train priests here at home without sending them abroad at all. This led to the foundation of a seminary on an island in Loch Morar in the Western Highlands but it was destroyed two years later after the 1715 Jaco-bit Rising. A safer place had to be found, and Scalan in the remote Braes of Glencoe, near Tomintoul, was chosen. It was not immune from attack either and suffered greatly, most notably after Bonnie Prince Charlie's 1745 Jacobite Rising. The building we can visit today is the most substantial relic we have of the Penal Times and it is truly a holy place of pilgrimage. Scalan operated from 1716 until 1799. Here boys and young men were secretly trained for the Priesthood with between 60 and 70 eventually being ordained, at a crucial time for the revival of the Catholic Church in Scotland. The house is still able to be visited today, and the Scalan Association is active in keeping it in good condition and promoting knowledge of it in Scotland and abroad. Membership of the Scalan Association, which is open to all, costs £10 and members receive two newsletters a year containing up-to-date news on Scalan, local history and culture, as well as items on Scottish Catholic History. Subscriptions may be sent to the treasurer, Rev. Michael Briody, St Michael's, 133 Glenmanor Avenue, Moodiesburn G69 0DL. (01236 872537).

Ministries:	Today	Next Sunday
Server:	Sam Henry	Simone/Rowan
Readers:	J. Cunningham D. Manson	Pat Marin Rob Moyes
Prayers:	Fr. Tabone	Anne Jabir
Offertory:	Monica Gorman Maureen Scott	Pat & Dot Gilhooley
Euch Ministe	Bill Cheyne	Jennifer Morris
Tea Rota:	Dot Gilhooley	

* The Annual Pilgrimage to Scalan is taking place on Sunday 7 July 2013. More information from Fr Briody as above.