

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11th August 2013

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“..Ready to open the door as soon as the Master returns and knocks.”

Noticeboard

Sunday Masses: Vigil Mass, Saturday, 6 p.m.
Sunday Morning Mass, 10.30 a.m.

Weekday Masses: 10.15 a.m.

THURSDAY IS THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED LADY AND A HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION.
MASSES WILL BE AT 10.15 AM., 1.15 P.M., AND 7 P.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 9.45 to 10 a.m.
4 to 4.30 p.m.
5.30 to 5.50 p.m.

Wednesday is the Feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe.

Please remember that we have the special collection for **Fr. Kasule** this Sunday. We are sure that you will be as supportive as in previous years.

Please note that the **Feast of the Assumption** on Thursday is a Holiday of Obligation.

We welcome **Fr. Anthony Malone** to St. Mary's. Father Anthony is a Franciscan friar from New Zealand who has been helping out in our Diocese. In the coming weeks he will be based in Fort William, but will also be attending to Ballachulish and Kinlochleven. The Chapel House there is being renovated in preparation for the arrival of Fr. Andrew Barrett in September. We wish Fr. Barrett many blessings in his new parish. Our newly ordained priest, Fr. Tony Wood will take up his post as priest in Arisaig next month. It's a good parish to begin his priestly service!

We pray for our Faithful Departed, especially those whose anniversaries are about this time: **Mary Flora MacAulay, Alex Mitchell, Ann Gillies, Tom Crowe, Sheena Cameron, Esther McEleney** and **Peter Doherty**. We continue to pray for the eternal peace of **May Gillies**. May's Funeral Mass will be on Wednesday at 12 noon. We remember also **Mr. Vincent Kennedy**, who died in the same accident. May they all rest in peace. We continue to pray for the injured and bereaved.

There will be a Mass at **Cille Choirill** next Sunday at 3 p.m.

Thank you for supporting **Ballachulish parish** by buying its raffle tickets. It is a small community of faith that deserves our support. Our sincere thanks also to Ian and Fred Brodie, now resident in Ballachulish, who have very generously donated £10,000 to the maintenance and repair of St. Mary's. We are most grateful also for the £250 received from Mrs. Ellen Reddington, part of the estate of her late sister, Annie.

The annual diocesan collection for our **sick and retired priests** will be taken in two weeks time. We know that you will help as you always do.

Fr. Joachim Zok has been a frequent visitor to St. Mary's. For some years he has been celebrating the monthly Mass in Polish. Now he takes his leave of us and will shortly be back in Papua New Guinea. We thank him for his warm friendship and wish him many blessings in the future. **Father Malone** has also spent years of his ministry in that country. So, in honour of his visit we have a montage overleaf of St. Francis in Christian art as well as some snaps of the Catholics of Papua New Guinea, who number 22% of the total population.

