

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**"..Keep running steadily in the race we have started."**

### Noticeboard

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

Weekday Masses: 10.15 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

*Tuesday is the Memorial of St. Bernard; Wednesday, the Memorial of St. Pius X; Thursday, the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Saturday, the Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle.*

**Fr Anthony Malone OFM** will be leaving us on Sunday to continue his supplies in the Diocese. He has enjoyed his stay in Lochaber, and we thank him for helping whenever asked. On the 9<sup>th</sup> September he will be going to Rome to join a pilgrimage of Knights and Dames of the Holy Sepulchre. This will include an audience with Pope Francis. Thereafter he will return to New Zealand. We wish him every blessing in the years ahead. It was really nice to see the time-honoured Franciscan habit in our church and especially in the cemetery as we laid loved ones to rest.

We pray for our Faithful Departed. We remember very especially **Kathleen McCartney**, of Inverloch, who died very peacefully in the Belford Hospital last Sunday. Kathleen was a person of quiet and gentle goodness, devoted to her late husband and to her family. May her faith in her Saviour and her love of Our Lady lead her safely home. We extend our sincere sympathy and prayer to her sons, John, Jim, Tommy, Frank, Michael and all the family. We pray also for those whose anniversaries are about this time: **Tom Crowe, Donald (Dodo) MacKinnon, George Brown** (Ballachulish), **Ann MacLeod, Darin Quail** and **Donald Smith**. May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Sincere thanks for the £1,052.10 raised for **Fr. Kasule**. This will help meet his air fare and contribute to his stipend for his care of the parish. Many of you have also given personal donations that will be of great benefit back in Uganda.

There is a special collection next Sunday for **the retired priests** of the Diocese. Anything that you can give is really appreciated!

We wish the **staff and pupils of our school** many blessings in the new session. Preparation for this year's confirmations will begin as soon as possible.

**The situation in Egypt** is causing deep concern throughout the world. Please give the Christians of that country a special place in your prayers. It is reported that in the past few days up to 30 churches have been set on fire by extremists. This does not include attacks on other Christian buildings. There are also reports of moderate Egyptian Muslims helping extinguish these fires and protecting their Christian neighbours. Egypt will need such people all the more in the future. Pray for all men and women of good will in that country, so essential to the stability of the Middle East.

## Potpourri

Mary is the lily in God's garden.  
(*Saint Bridget of Sweden*)

The world's light shines, shine as it will,  
The world will love its darkness still.  
I doubt though when the world's in hell,  
It will not love its darkness half so well.  
(*Richard Crashaw*)

Perseverance is not a long race; it is many short races one after the other.  
(*Walter Elliot*)

Words are a pretext. It is the inner bond that draws one person to another, not words. (*Rumi*)

A bond between souls is ancient - older than the planet.  
(*Dianna Hardy*)

A desire to resist oppression is implanted in the nature of man. (*Tacitus*)

It's so easy today to get swept up in celebrity fixation and materialism and searching for some validation outside of yourself when we know it's really found within and through meaningful connections with other people. (*Geoffrey S. Fletcher*)

There is no greater joy in the kingdom of darkness than when one godly person reviles another. (*Archibald Allison*)

A family with an old person has a living treasure of gold.  
(*Chinese proverb*)

The truth is, everyone is going to hurt you. You just got to find the ones worth suffering for. (*Bob Marley*)

One man with courage is a majority. (*Thomas Jefferson*)

Where others have not supported you, He will support you. When you feel discouraged, He will be your encouragement. Where you don't know, He will tell you when the time is right. When you feel unloved, remember that He has always loved you. You see limitations; God sees opportunities. You see faults; God sees growth. You see problems; God sees solutions. You see limitations; God sees possibilities. You see life; God sees eternity. (*Corallie Buchanan*)

All generalizations are bad. (*R.H. Grenier*)

A wise man should have money in his head, but not in his heart.  
(*Jonathan Swift*)

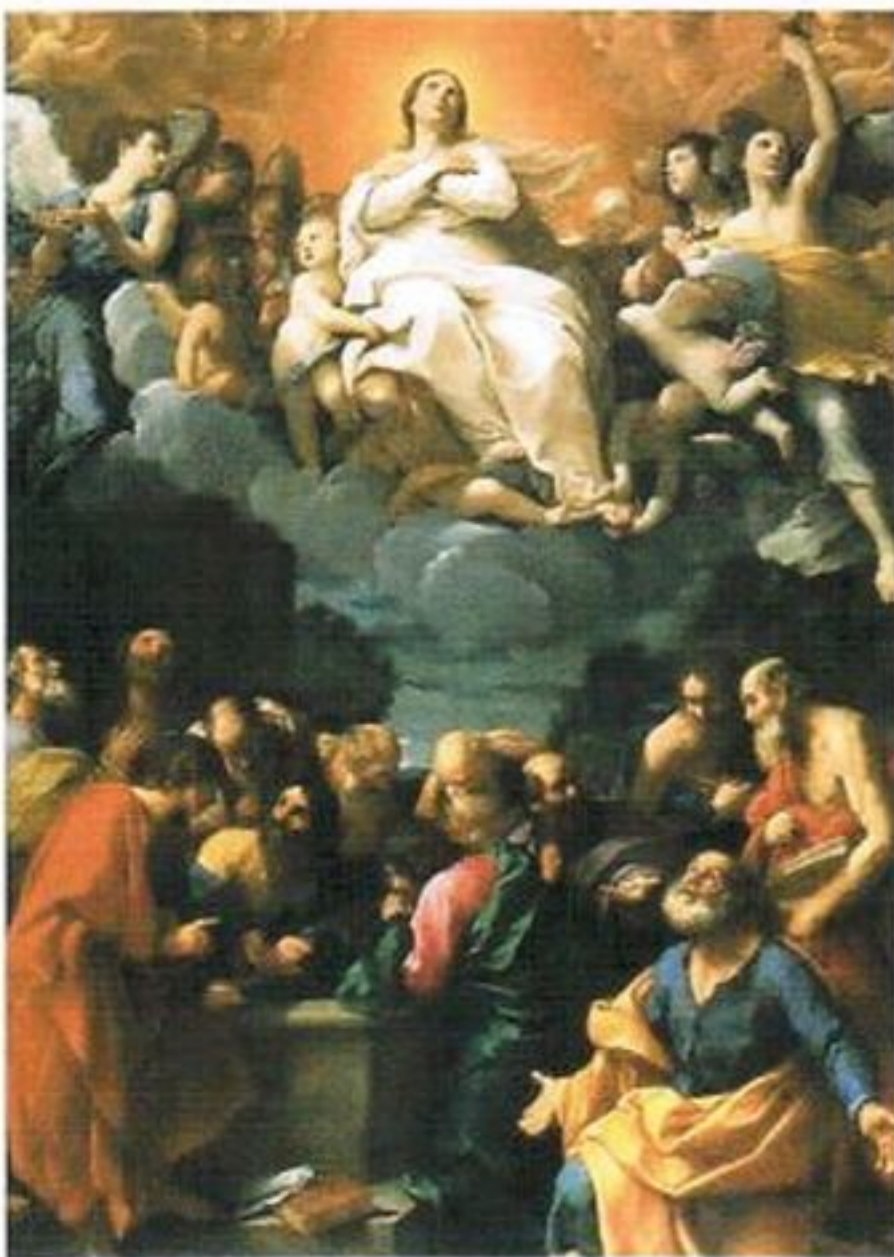
To be trusted is a greater compliment than being loved.  
(*George MacDonald*)

I would rather trust a woman's instinct than a man's reason.  
(*Stanley Baldwin*)

The man who has no inner life is the slave to his surroundings.  
(*Henri Frédéric Amiel*)

He prays best who does not know he is praying.  
(*St. Anthony of Padua*)

Those who trust us educate us.  
(*George Eliot*)



The Assumption by Guido Reni



The Coronation of Mary by Velázquez



Queen of Heaven by Timothy Jones