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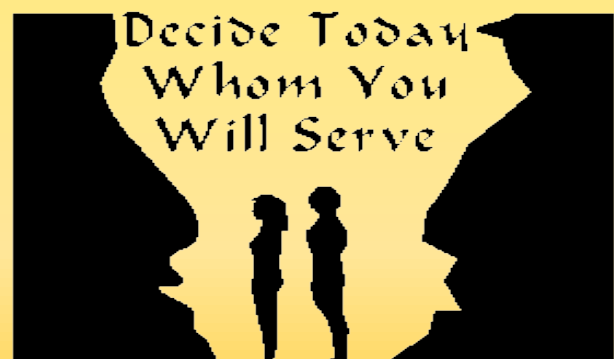
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Twenty First Sunday of the Year - Year B**22 August 2021**

There are times for all of us when the circumstances of our lives make us think about our priorities and commitments. Sometimes we experience a growing unease with a situation which leads us to plan a change that will take us in new direction; other times we are thrown into a new set of circumstances without preparation by unexpected events. Either way choice can be difficult and change can be painful.

Today we have a moment of decision expressed in Peter's statement "To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

In order to grow we need to make choices, we need to voice our commitment. We need to know our priorities.



St Andrew's**St Peter's****St Theresa's****Saturday
21st
August****5.00pm Confession
5.30pm Mass KO
Margaret Brogan
7.00pm Polish Mass PK****Sunday
22nd
August****9.30am Polish Mass PK
11.30am Mass KO
People of the Parish****9.30am Mass SH
People of the Parish
5.30pm Mass SH****9.30am Mass KO
People of the Parish
11.30am Mass SH****Monday
23rd
August****Tuesday
24th
August****1.00pm Funeral of
Kathleen Ferguson KO****2.00pm Mass SH
Tom Higham RIP****9.30am Mass KO****Wednesday
25th
August****9.30am Mass PK****9.30am Mass KO****Thursday
26th
August****9.30am Funeral of Ella
Forrester KO****Friday 27th
August****9.30am Mass SH
Joan Loughrey RIP****9.30am Mass KO****Saturday
28th
August****9.30am Mass PK
5.00pm Confession
5.30pm Mass PK
7.00pm Polish Mass PK****Sunday
29th
August****9.30am Polish Mass PK
11.30am Mass SH****9.30am Mass SH
5.30pm Mass ES
Therese Aranha RIP****9.30am Mass KO
11.30am Mass KO**

St Andrew's Sunday Teas: Delighted to say we can have Sunday teas again in the parish hall. We will be starting a new rota so anyone interested in joining should contact the parish office. The One World Group will start us off on Sunday 29th.



Cocaine Anonymous: Meet every Monday evening at 7.00pm in St Peter's. This group supports anyone who is struggling to recover from addiction of any kind.

Advance Notice for St Peter's: Our rosary group will meet again every Wednesday at 1.30pm starting on 8 September. The knit & natter group will also start again on the 8th from 2.00pm - 3.30pm. Everyone welcome.



RCIA: The first meeting will be held in St Peter's on Wednesday 8 September at 7.00pm.

Lost Key: A key with a coloured plastic covering around it was found in St Peter's car park last Sunday. If anyone thinks it might be theirs, please speak with Fr Simon (but you must be able to tell him the colour of the plastic on the key!)

Thanks for the income in our parish communities: Figures to be confirmed.

For a Synodal Church

Communion | Participation | Mission



Pope Francis has called for a participative process, engaging all the faithful, to help prepare for the Synod.

Pope Francis will open a three-year synodal process in October. It will involve consultations and discernment and culminates with the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome in October 2023.

Local churches

The Holy Father wants the Synod of Bishops to begin in local churches. A document approved by him states: *"The fullness of the synodal process can only truly exist if the local churches are involved in that process."*



Key Date

A period of consultation and discernment for dioceses begins on **Sunday 17 October**. In our diocese it will take place under the direction of Archbishop Cushley.

How will it work in our Archdiocese?

The Secretariat of the Synod will send a preparatory document accompanied by a questionnaire and a *vademecum* (a guide) with proposals for carrying out a consultation in each particular Church. This is set to be issued by the Vatican in **September** and will help us prepare to make sure the voice of all the faithful is heard.



Meet our delegates

Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM has been selected as our lead delegate in the national synodal process. She will be assisted by Fr John Deighan. Their role is to help guide the process, as well as to listen.



Pray

Please pray for the success of this initiative in the life of the universal and local Church, that together we listen to the Holy Spirit speaking through all of us in the Body of Christ.



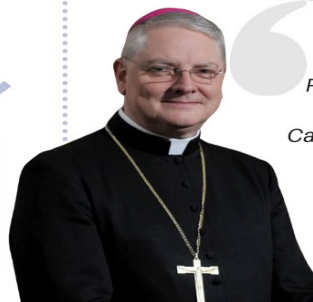
Stay up to date

We'll keep you posted about the synod process on our social media and at archedinburgh.org



Our Archbishop

"The first Diocesan stage of the synod is a consultation of the People of God. I look forward to prayerful engagement among Catholics across the Archdiocese as we ask the Holy Spirit to guide us at this significant moment for our Church."



Archbishop Leo Cushley
Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh

A synod of the bishops will take place in Rome in 2023. The Holy Father has asked for the synod's preparations to begin in local churches. It will begin with a period of consultation and discernment on Sunday 17 October this year. Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM has been asked to be the Archdiocese's lead delegate in the national synodal process and will be assisted by Fr John Deighan (Lennoxton, Milton & Torrance). An announcement will be made soon on how that process will take shape in our Archdiocese.

Courses at Gillis Centre: Applications are now open for a variety of courses run by St Mary's University at the Gillis Centre Campus in Edinburgh, starting this autumn. Why not improve your knowledge of the Catholic Faith with an MA in Theology? Teachers are invited to register now for a range of MA Education courses as part of their continuing professional development. These are: Catholic School Leadership; Leading Innovation and Change; Pedagogy; Religious Education. Watch testimonies from students on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel (bit.ly/ArchYouTube). All details at www.stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh



To all the faithful of the Archdiocese of
St Andrews & Edinburgh

Edinburgh, 14 August 2021

Dear friends,

St Mary's University will open its campus at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh this October.

With deadlines for registration fast approaching, I want to give you a final word of encouragement to consider joining others who have already registered for a course. There are a variety available, all part-time and flexible, so you can study in the evenings or at weekends.

The MA in Applied Catholic Theology is for those of you who wish to grow in the love and knowledge of the Catholic Faith.

I warmly encourage teachers to consider a range of MA Education courses as part of their continuing professional development. These are *Catholic School Leadership; Leading Innovation and Change; Pedagogy; and Religious Education.*

St Mary's University is a beacon of excellence in Catholic education and is widely recognised as one of the best providers of teacher training in the country. You can watch testimonies from current and former students on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel and website.

To find out more please visit the St Mary's website, details of which you will find in your parish newsletter.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

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