



**28th January, 2018.**

**Fourth Sunday of the Year, B.**

RC Diocese of Argyll and the Isles

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### Mass Times for the Week

Monday 10.00a.m. Communion Service.  
Thursday 10.00a.m.  
Wednesday 10.00a.m. St. John Bosco.  
Thursday 12.00p.m. Requiem Mass for Susan MacDonald (nee Mackin).  
Friday 10.00a.m. The Presentation of the Lord. Eucharistic Adoration after Mass.  
Saturday 10.00a.m.  
Saturday Vigil 7.00p.m.

**Next Sunday Mass:** 10.30a.m. and 1.00p.m. St. Mary and St. Finnan, Glenfinnan. **Fifth Sunday of the Year, B.**

**Confessions:** Saturday 9.30-10.00 a.m. and 6.00-6.30 p.m.

In our prayers we remember the souls of all the Faithful Departed, especially those whose anniversaries occur during the course of this week: Jessie MacKinnon, Bella MacKinnon, Jimmy McCorgray, John MacMillan, Annabel MacMillan, Flora Kelly, Angus Morrison, Roderick John MacNeil. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.**

Our annual **Catholic Education Sunday Mass** will be celebrated next Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> February during the 10.30a.m. Mass. The theme for this year's Education Sunday is, "Catholic Schools: serving the common good". Pope Francis said recently that education should "train young people to be open and interested in the reality that surrounds them, capable of care and tenderness, free from the widespread prejudice where you must be competitive, aggressive, and hard towards others, especially towards those who are different, foreign or in any way seen as an obstacle to one's own affirmation". Catholic schools in Scotland are putting into action these words of Pope Francis by being inclusive communities which welcome, value, affirm and support all pupils, parents and staff to fulfil the potential of their God-given talents. In this historic year, we mark the centenary of the Education Act that saw Catholic schools come under state governance.

Please let Fr. Roddy know if you have any family or relations who are **sick in hospital** or at home and who would appreciate a visit and the reception of Holy Communion.

There will be an **ecumenical service** in St. John's this evening, Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> January at 6.30p.m. to celebrate Christian Unity week. People from various Christian churches throughout Lochaber will be present. Please show your support by coming along. There will be teas/coffees after the service.

There will be **church cleaning** on Wednesday morning after Mass. Thank you to the volunteers who come along every month to clean the church.

Fr. Roddy will celebrate the Vigil Mass on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> February for his parents who will celebrate their **Diamond Wedding anniversary** (60 years). He looks forward to welcoming his parents and all his family to the parish Mass for this celebration.

### Reflection:

"Ideally words should always be preceded by deeds. When people who have done something begin to speak, people listen. Their words carry enormous weight. They have real authority. The weakness of a lot of words arises from the fact that they are not preceded, or accompanied, or even followed by deeds. At the root of innumerable wrongs in our world is the discrepancy between word and deed. It is the weakness of Churches, parties and individuals. It gives people and institutions split personalities. Lord, grant that what we have said with our lips, we may believe with our hearts, and practise with our lives". (Fr. Flor McCarthy, SDB).