**OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION & ST MEDDAN’S, TROON**

 **6th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C)**

**16h February 2025**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Willie Boyd

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 **Sunday Mass**: 10am: Vigil 6pm (Sat)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**: After Saturday Vigil Mass

 **Live stream**: Our Masses are live streamed on YouTube at RCTroon (live)

**Parish website**: www.rcstmeddans.org.uk

**Bulletin notices by 11am Friday:***bulletin.rcstmeddan@aol.com*or in thebox at back of church

**MASSES THIS WEEK:** Sat - 6pm Vigil, Sun -10am, Mon -10am, Tues-10am, Thurs-10am, Fri- 10am, Saturday -Vigil 6pm, Sun-10am

**FEASTS THIS WEEK:** Sat 22nd- St Peter, Sun 23rd - 7th Sunday of the Year

**COLLECTIONS:** Last week’s collection £ £355.95

**ANNIVERSARIES:** William Convill Jnr, Canon Tom McGread, Patrick Trainor, Edward McDonald, Caroline O’Gorman. **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Paul Crolla, Julia O’Kane, Canon Pat Keegans

**RECENTY DECEASED:** Tony McLaren, Father Justinian McGread C.P. St. Mungo’s

**MESSAGE FROM CANON PAT KEEGANS**: Following on from my consultation with a cardiologist I will be having further tests. Near the beginning of March there should be a clear diagnosis and a plan to move forward. For all your prayers and well wishes I am very grateful. Many thanks. I feel well and out and about but taking things easy

**ST. ANNE'S GUILD.** This Tuesday18th Feb -Fun Quiz Afternoon. Church hall 2pm

**PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE** The first meeting of the Parish finance committee will take place this Thursday 20th February at 7pm in the church hall. All welcome.

**HALL CHAIRS:**  Free to a good home(s)…. 24 green upholstered /dark wooden chairs in the church hall. Please feel free to take some or all chairs as required. Available Sun after Mass or Wed from 11-12.30 am (NB-no fire safety labels attached)

**PREPARE FOR EASTER:** Ash Wednesday 5th March – Good Friday 18th April – Easter Sunday 20th April

The **‘Praying With Scripture’** Programme: As part of the Year of Hope we are offering a praying with scripture programme for anyone interested. It will be once a week over the six weeks of Lent. The programme offers simple, practical guidance on prayer. Depending on interest there may be a morning group and an evening group. Sign-up sheets are at the back of the Church. Each session will last about an hour to 90 minutes. No cost - feel free to try it and if you don’t fancy it, that’s fine. It’s an easy structured programme developed by Micky and Terri Quinn of the Family Caring Trust for ordinary people like you.

**\*THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:**This international, [ecumenical](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ecumenical) service which rotates round the various churches in Troon, will be hosted this year by our Parish on **Friday 7th March** at 2pm. Further details in the coming weeks.

**\*A FAMILY JUBILEE WEEKEND OF HOPE AND ADVENTURE**: St. Quivox is organising a family retreat, from Fri 20th June - Sun 23rd June to mark the Jubilee Year of Hope. Families from all 3 parishes are invited to participate in a weekend full of fun, family and the great outdoors! The retreat will be at Abernethy in Aviemore - email gordonericmitchell@gmail.com for more info.

\***GALLOWAY YOUTH (P7-S6) NIGHTS:** The Galloway Youth nights begin this Sunday 16th February in St Joseph’s, Kilmarnock from 5–7 pm Interested? Visit the website: [rcdg.org.uk](http://rcdg.org.uk) or email youth@rcdg.org.uk for more details. *For any parents bringing your children to the event, you’re welcome to stay for the evening; there will be a room with tea, coffee, and snacks for you to meet following the Mass.*

**ASSISTED SUICIDE DRAFT BILL, SCOTLAND**

Our parish previously forwarded a petition opposing the above Bill, signed by 54 adults, to Siobhan Brown MSP, and the seven South of Scotland "list" MSPs. Copies of the letter together with the three responses received are at the back of the church. All adults of the Parish (including those who previously signed) are encouraged to now sign the online petition here: <https://carenotkilling.scot>. In addition, please contact our MSPs and let them know of your opposition.

**\*LENT ONLINE RETREAT 2025:** offered byIgnatian Spirituality Centre **starting Ash Wednesday, 5 March. Also,** Easter Day of Prayer on 10th May. For more details, please see [*https://www.iscglasgow.co.uk/#retreat*s](https://www.iscglasgow.co.uk/#retreats)

**\*DIOCESE “YOUTH FOR LOURDES”** 7/14 July 2025 - Age 4th year to 23? Meeting 2nd March in St Matthew’s

**HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY:** For Crosshouse, contact Fr. Stephen (01563 521832) and for Ayr Hospital Contact Fr. Benjamin (01655 882145) For *emergencies*, please ask the Hospital staff to page the ‘*priest on call*.’

\*Further details available on Parish website on “Upcoming Events” page\*