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

**16th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – B**

**21st JULY 2024**

**Parish Priest :** Fr Willie Boyd

**E.mail**: [troon@gallowaydiocese.org.uk](mailto:troon@gallowaydiocese.org.uk)

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**: after Vigil Mass on Saturday

**Live stream**: Our Masses are live-streamed on YouTube at *rctroon.org.uk*

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

**Bulletin notices by 10am Friday** : [bulletin.rcstmeddan@aol.com](mailto:bulletin.rcstmeddan@aol.com)

**MASSES THIS WEEK**: Sat 20thJuly - 6pm Vigil; Sun 21st July -10am;

Mon 22nd July - 10am; Tues 23rd July -10am

Thurs 25th July -10am **Prestwick**;Friday 26th-10am **Prestwick***;*

Sat 27th July - 6pm Vigil; Sun 28th July-10am

**FEASTS THIS WEEK:** Mon 22nd July-St Mary Magdalene; Tues 23rd July- St Bridget; Thurs 25th July- St James; Fri 26th -St Joachim & St Anne; Sun 28th July -17th Sunday of the Year

**COLLECTIONS:** £355 collected last Sunday – many thanks

**ANNIVERSARY :** Frank Willlard

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Fr Willie Boyd, Margaret Gilligan

**MESSAGE FROM BISHOP FRANK RE FR BOYD :**

“As you will know, Fr Willie took ill on Monday 3rd June and was taken to hospital.  Since then, he has received treatment and is at home recuperating.  The treatment has gone well, and Fr Willie is keen to return to active ministry as soon as possible.  However, he also recognises that he needs to rest for a while and will do so during June and July at least.  This also means that he cannot receive visitors, and I would ask you in *the strongest possible terms* to give him the space to recover*.*Please continue to keep Fr Willie in your prayers.

**CONTACT DETAILS:** If you need to contact a priest, for the next few weeks while Fr Boyd is recovering, the following contact details will apply :- Diocesan Office (01292 266750) during office hours Mon-Thurs or Fr David Borland at St Margaret’s Cathedral in Ayr (01292 263488) or Fr Stephen McGrattan at St Joseph’s in Kilmarnock (01563 521832)

**WITH THANKS :** Fr Willie would like to thank everyone for the many cards and good wishes received over the past few weeks. He would like to advise he is recovering well, feeling stronger each day, and is looking forward to returning to the Parish as soon as his medical advisors allow.

**WELCOME :** A warm welcome to any visitors to the Parish. We are expecting a large amount of people from all parts of the UK and throughout the world in the coming weeks as Troon hosts the Open Golf Championship. You are all most welcome. Tea/Coffee is served after 10am mass on Sunday in the Church hall.

**NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO WHITHORN** This year marks 100 years since the reestablishment of the modern pilgrimage to Whithorn and the Bishops are inviting faithful from across Scotland to gather for it. It will take place on Sunday 25th August, with Mass (celebrated by Bishop Frank) at 4.00 pm on the beach and at 4.45 pm in the church (celebrated by Bishop Joseph Toal). If you would like to travel by bus with the parish please add your name to the list at the back of the church as soon as possible so we know what size of bus to arrange.

**LIVESTREAMING TRAINING EVENING** Fr Kevin Rennie will be running a training session on Wednesday evening (24th July) at 6.30 pm on the new livestreaming equipment. This session is open to anyone who would be interested in learning how to operate the new multi-camera system - it’s easy to operate and full instructions will be provided in addition to the training session. If you will be attending, please email [troon@gallowaydiocese.org.uk](mailto:troon@gallowaydiocese.org.uk) to register your interest so Fr Kevin knows how many handbooks to bring. If you are interested but are unable to attend, please also email to let Fr Kevin know and he will endeavour to arrange another training session at a later date.

**IMPORTANT GIFT AID INFORMATION** : Forms available at the back of Church if you wish your contribution to attract this extra money.

**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*.’