

# MASS TEXT

Sunday Year C  
Weekday Cycle I  
Divine Office: Vol. 2. Week I

Praise we now the Lord our God,  
in silence we adore you.

**OT Read: Deuteronomy 26:4-10**

**RP: 90**

Be with me,  
O Lord, in my distress.

**NT Read: Romans 10:8-13**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Glory and praise to you, O Christ.**

One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes forth  
from the mouth of God.

**Glory and praise to you, O Christ.**

**Gospel: Luke 4:1-13**

**PREFACE: The Temptation OTL  
EUCH. PRAYER: III**

**16th March 2025  
Second Sunday of Lent (C)**

**OT Read: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18**

**RP: 26**

**NT Read: Philippians 3:20-4:1**

**Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36**

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

St. Teresa's: **£684.17**  
Holy Trinity & St. Luke's: **£188.50**  
*Thank you so much everyone  
for your generosity.*

**Baptisms** can easily be arranged by  
contacting Father directly

**Weddings** normally require six  
months notice, please contact Father  
before booking.

**SICK & HOUSEBOUND.** Your Clergy  
are available to offer the sacraments of  
healing (anointing), Reconciliation and  
Holy Communion. If any parishioner re-  
quires assistance or needs to talk, please  
call on the Parish number.

*The sick and housebound would appreciate a copy of the bulletin,  
if you can please pop one through their door. Thank you.*

This Gospel of the temptations of  
Jesus in the desert reminds us that  
the life of the Christian, in the  
footsteps of the Lord, is a battle  
against the spirit of evil. It shows  
us that Jesus willingly faced the  
Tempter, and defeated him; and at the same time it re-  
minds us that the devil is granted the possibility of act-  
ing on us too, with his temptations.



We must be aware of the presence of this astute enemy,  
who seeks our eternal condemnation, our failure, and  
prepare to defend ourselves against him and to combat  
him. The grace of God assures us, with faith, prayer and  
penance, of our victory over the enemy. But I would like  
to underline one thing: in the temptations, Jesus never  
enters into dialogue with the devil, never. In his life Je-  
sus never had a dialogue with the devil, never. Either He  
banishes him from the possessed or He condemns him,  
or He shows his malice, but never a dialogue. And in the  
desert it seems that there is a dialogue because the devil  
makes three proposals and Jesus responds. But Jesus  
does not respond with his words. He answers with the  
Word of God, with three passages of Scripture.

And we all should also do this. When the seducer ap-  
proaches, he begins to seduce us: "But think of this, do  
that...", the temptation is to dialogue with him, as Eve  
did. And if we enter into dialogue with the devil we will  
be defeated. Keep this in your mind and in your heart:  
you can never enter into dialogue with the devil, no dia-  
logue is possible. Only the Word of God.  
– Pope Francis, Angelus, 21 February 2021.

Lent is a personal journey in which we follow Christ to  
His death and then experience the greatest of all hope in  
His Resurrection. — During Lent, instead of adding more  
items to our already busy schedule, why not just live nor-  
mally and become more conscious of how we are doing  
things and improve on them? Ask the question: "How  
would Christ do this? How would Christ say this?" And  
then do it as Christ would. Wouldn't it be great if we did  
improve our lives during Lent and were still improving by  
Lent in 2025? Wouldn't it be great if we had grown closer  
to Jesus by Easter through seeing what it means to be a  
real Christian?  
Let's all pray for the grace to be more like Christ.

**KEEP IN PRAYER the recently deceased members:**  
Margaret Hart, Alfie Cummings, Kevin McGee, Manus Boyle,  
Liam Murray, Daphne Little, Catriona J. Lau, Rosie Biggin,  
Delia Moscardini, RIP. We pray for them, and their families.

# First Sunday of Lent (C) - 9th March 2025



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hours unless an emergency)

*A parish of the RC Diocese of Galloway.  
Charity Number: SC 010576*

**Sunday Masses are Live Streamed  
from St Teresa's Church, Dumfries.**

Please follow the link on our website.



**A Family  
Welcoming  
Parish.**

*You are very welcome in our parish community, a special place where we gather frequently for  
worship, fellowship, ministry, inspiration, and outreach. We all respect the need for silence, and of  
course, we love to welcome children, and we know that they don't always find that so easy – so relax!*

The Catholic Parishes of  
**St Teresa's, Dumfries,  
Holy Trinity, Lockerbie with St Luke's, Moffat.**  
Served by **THE SPIRITANS** (Holy Ghost Congregation)

## Newsletter

**Year C - Cycle 1 - Eucharistic Prayer: III - Psalter: I**  
*St. T (St Teresa's), St. A. (St Andrew's, Dumfries)  
St. L (St Luke's, Moffat), HTL (Holy Trinity, Lockerbie)*

## Saturday 8th March - Memorial of BVM

*(2nd & 4th Sat. in St Andrew's)*

10.00 am - **St A- Mass** -

5.00 pm - **St. L. Vigil Mass** - Canon Pat Keegans, Wellbeing

## Sunday 9th March - 1st Sunday of Lent (C)

9.30 am - **HTL - Mass** - Virginia Gilligan, P. Intentions

11.30 am - **St. T.- Mass** - Victor Bianchini, RIP  
- Isobel Llewellyn, RIP, 3rd Anni

## Monday 10th March - St John Ogilvie, Priest, Martyr

10.00 am – **St. T. – Mass** – Mary Gaskell, RIP

## Tuesday 11th March - Feria

10.00 am – **St. T. – Mass** - Ronald Gaskell, RIP

**7. 00 pm - HTL. - Growing in Faith - Catholic Alpha Course**

## Wednesday 12th March - Feria

9.30 am – **HTL** - Reconciliation, Adoration & Bene.

10.00 am – **HTL – Mass** - People of the Parish

10.00 am – **St. A. – Mass**

**7. 00 pm - St. T. - Growing in Faith - Watch The Chosen**

## Thursday 13th March - Feria

10.00 am – **St. T. – Mass** - Amanda Love, Well-being

## Friday 14th March - Feria

10.00 am – **St. A. – Mass**

**12.00 n - St. L. Stations of the Cross**

**7. 00 pm - St. T./ HT.L. - Stations of the Cross**

## Saturday 15th March - Memorial of BVM

*(1st, 3rd + 5th Sat. in St. Teresa's)*

10.00 am - **St T. - Mass** - Joe MacLeod, Well-being

10.30 am - **St. T. - Reconciliation, Adoration & Bene.**

5.00 pm - **St. L. - Vigil Mass** - Andrea Cain, RIP, 1st Ann.

## Sunday 16th March - 2nd Sunday of Lent (C)

9.30 am - **HTL - Mass** - Young people/ Families of the Parish

11.30 am - **St. T.- Mass** - Joan White, Wellbeing

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** will take place today in the Baptistry room. Children of primary school age are led through prayers, songs, and readings adapted to their level.

**SUNDAY COFFEE:** After Mass today, please join us in the hall for tea/coffee & biscuits. Come and enjoy the community spirit here at St Teresa's.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS.** During Lent, this devotion will take place on Fridays at 7.00 pm in the church.

**LENTEN LUNCHESES** will be served at St John's Church Hall, Newall Terrace, every Friday during Lent, 12 noon to 2 pm, with all proceeds going to Christian Aid in its 80th year. St Teresa's will be manning the Home Baking/Gifts Stall on Friday 28th March. Donations of baking can be handed into St John's Church after 10 am on the Friday morning. Further details from Mary Brown.

**100 CLUB DRAW.** New members are welcome, only £2 per month. Please complete the form on the church porch or contact Irene (after the Sunday Mass), in the Church Hall. *All proceeds go to Parish funds.* February winners are: **1st Prize - Marie Montgomery**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - Suzanne Stoppard.** **3rd Prize - Gordon Brotherston**

**THE WEDNESDAY CLUB.** This group of seniors (and friends) next meets in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, 12th March, beginning with their complimentary lunch at 12.30 pm. Doors open from 12 noon going on till 3 pm. *All seniors and their friends are very welcome, free.*

**MISSION STAMPS.** Fr Patrick McCallion, St Patrick's Missionary Society, Scotland, wrote a beautiful letter of appreciation for the donation of stamps, collected by the congregations at St Luke's Moffat, Holy Trinity, Lockerbie and St Teresa's Dumfries, in support of the Society and its work. "We appreciated your thinking of us in this way and assure you of our daily prayerful support."

**PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE (PFC).** Our next meeting to prepare for the parish AGM will take place in the Baptistry Room this Thursday (13th March) from 7.00 pm. Thanks to this important group in the life of the parish who keep our ministry activities and facilities up and running

**LECTIO DIVINA** - Do you want to listen, meditate and respond to Christ speaking to you in the Scripture readings (for the coming Sunday)? By spending time pondering the Scripture, we grow in our relationship with Christ, the living Word. Like many, why not join the Lectio Divina session, every Tuesday, from 10.45 am in St Teresa's Parish Hall? A cuppa is served at the start; finish at 11.45 am.

**ST PATRICK'S NIGHT.** You are invited to this special celebration on Saturday, 15th March, at 7.00 pm. Pie/ Sausage Roll and Peas Supper offered. Tickets: Adults £5, Primary School children £3. Donations for raffles will be gratefully received.

**IS GOD CALLING YOU TO PRIESTHOOD?** If you sense a vocation to be a Priest and would like support to discern this call, please contact Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Stephen McGrattan, at [vocations@rcdg.org.uk](mailto:vocations@rcdg.org.uk) or 01563 521832.

+ **FRANCIS DOUGAN**, Bishop of Galloway

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

You may have seen news in the past week of a civil action taken by a survivor of abuse against the Diocese. Firstly, it is essential that the survivor's anonymity is preserved, so I can only say so much.

"No words of mine can erase the suffering of the survivor in this case. But I hope and pray that they will be able to find some healing following the resolution of this case. While the events of the past may be beyond our control, as a Church we can and must ensure that children and vulnerable groups are kept safe, and I renew our commitment to do so." Please keep everyone involved in your prayers.

#### FOR YOUR DIARY...

St Patrick's Night: - 15th March

Parish AGM: - 23rd March

Confirmation at St Teresa's (St T. & HT.L.) by Bishop Frank: - 30th March

Youth Adults Talk/ Pray/ Socialise: - 6th April

Parish Safeguarding Training: - 6th April

Holy Week: - Palm Sunday 13th April; Easter Sunday 20th April

Divine Mercy Sunday Mass: - 27th April, 3.00 pm.

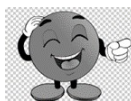
**THE CHOSEN.** Do you want to follow the Life of Christ this Lent? Perhaps you are intrigued by the person of Jesus or simply interested in what Catholicism is about. We invite you to Come and See THE CHOSEN, a ground-breaking historical drama based on the life of Jesus Christ. Join us at St Teresa's Baptistry Room, on Wednesday 12th March (and every Wednesday in Lent), at 7.00 pm. You can ask questions, encounter God and journey with others. You are welcome.



REGISTER NOW

**WALK THE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO.** Join the Galloway Youth Office and Young Adults (18-30) from across the Diocese for the experience of a lifetime and spend 5 days walking the last 108km of the Camino de Santiago, followed by 2 days in Santiago. The pilgrimage runs from 12th - 19th October and costs £700 per person (we will support you in fundraising to reduce this). A program of meetings (also available online for those unable to travel) and walks will take place in advance to help you in your preparations. Interested? For more information or to sign up, scan the QR code/ search for @rcdgyouth on social media.

**SCIAF CAMPAIGN 2025.** Your SCIAF Lenten pack is available to pick up in the Church porch. It includes your flat-pack "Wee Box". In this year's campaign, you are helping bring real solutions and build peace in forgotten conflict zones in Colombia and beyond - ones that never make the headlines. Our annual SCIAF collection will be taken up on Sunday 30th March.



**LENT VERSUS YOM KIPPUR:** A priest and a rabbi were discussing the pros and cons of their religions, and inevitably the discussion turned to repentance. The rabbi explained Yom Kippur as the solemn Jewish Day of Atonement and as a day of fasting and penitence, while the priest told him all about Lent, and its 40 days of self-denial as reparation for sins. After the discussion ended, the rabbi went home to tell his wife about the conversation, and how they discussed the comparative merits of Yom Kippur versus Lent. She turned her head and laughed. The rabbi asked, "What's so funny, dear?" "What a comparison!" she said. "Forty days of Lent for the poor Christians, and one day of Yom Kippur for the Chosen People of God!"

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