

Saint Nathalan – The Sower of Sand

In the 7th century, St. Nathalan lived at a place called Tullich, near Ballater. He was a quiet sort of person. He liked thinking better than anything, and what he liked to think about was God and to be more like him.

Nathalan came from a well to do family and owned a good deal of land, most of which was farmland. He cultivated the land himself, instead of just hiring other people to do it, though of course he had to have some to help him. He had been living like this very happily when a great famine swept over the country. All the people were in danger of starving to death.

“Tell them to come here,” said Nathalan. “My crops have done pretty well. They shall have everything I have.” So the people came, and Nathalan shared out the wheat and other things between them. All through that dreadful winter he went on giving and giving and giving and so the people were saved.

At last the spring came – new crops began to come up. The worst was over. The people could manage to live until next year’s crops were gathered. But Nathalan had nothing to sow. He had given away everything. Even his seed.

“Perhaps we could borrow some seed, master,” suggested a servant. But Nathalan would not agree to that. “No,” said he. “No, I don’t think that would be fair. Everyone has so little. Well – we will sow sand.”

“Sow sand, master?” gasped the servant. “And – and what then?”

“Then,” replied Nathalan – “why then – we shall see what we shall see....”

Find out what happened by reading the full story of [Saint Nathalan](#) on the parish website:

stmarysbeauloy.org

Volunteers wanted

After three years of dedicated service to St Mary’s Beauloy, Josie McKeon is retiring from the role of Sacristan. Josie has worked tirelessly to keep the Sanctuary and Sacristy running smoothly.

As you can appreciate there are many tasks, prior to, and after Sunday morning Mass. I ask people to consider how they might be able to help. Please approach me so that we can discuss your contribution to this vital ministry.

My thanks, Father Max.

Fraternity is the Pathway to Peace

Fraternity is an essential human quality, for we are relational beings. A lively awareness of our relatedness helps us to look upon and to treat each person as a true sister and brother; without fraternity it is impossible to build a just society and a solid lasting peace. We should remember that fraternity is generally first learned in the family, thanks above all to the responsible and complementary roles of each of its members, particularly the father and the mother. The family is the wellspring of all fraternity, and as such it is the foundation and the first pathway to peace, since, by its vocation, it is meant to spread its love to the world around it.

Christmas Wisdom from Pope Francis, from his message for celebration of the World Day of Peace 2014.

Knitting & Craft Group: Happy New Year to all who have supported us. We will resume at 1:00pm on Thursday 7th March. New members always welcome.

LAST SUNDAY’S COLLECTIONS

Sunday 30th December

Beauloy 1st coll - £363.30

2nd coll - £228.05

Marydale: £180.00



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Sunday 6th January 2019

Solemnity of The Epiphany of The Lord – Year C

Sunday Mass Times

ST MARY’S BEAULY 11:00am

OUR LADY & ST BEAN, MARYDALE 4:00pm

(Confession 3:30pm 1st Sunday in the month)

ST MARY’S ESKADALE

2nd Sunday of the month: 4:00pm

ST MARTIN’S ULLAPOOL

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month, 2:30pm

ST MAELRUBHA’S POOLEWE

2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 2:30pm

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Weekday Mass Times & Devotions in St Mary’s Beauloy Parish Room

Monday Mass with Lauds 10:00am

Tuesday: Rosary 1:30pm, Mass 2:00pm

Exposition 2:30pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm

Wednesday Mass with Lauds 10:00am

Marydale: Exposition /Mass 12:00/12:30pm

Thursday Exposition/Adoration 6:35pm

Mass 7:00pm

Friday Rosary 10:00am. Mass 10:30am.

Saturday Mass 10:00am / Adoration 10:35 /

Confessions 10:35 – 11:00am

Sunday 13th January, 2019

The Baptism of the Lord

Beauloy 11:00am, Poolewe 2:30pm,

Eskdale 4:00pm

Mass Intentions

Sun: Isobel Macdonald(RIP)

Mon: James Joseph Keenan(RIP)

Tue: Donald Shaw(Thanksgiving)

Wed: Sheena Bowman(RIP)

Thu:

Fri:

Sat:

Please pray for the sick of our parishes: **Chris Grant, Angela Montague, Tom McGeady** and all who ask for our prayers.

Liturgical Diary

Mon 7 Jan: Opt. Mem. St Raymond of

Penyafort (175 – 1275), born in Catalonia, Spain. He codified all the Church’s laws, known since as the Decretals of Gregory IX, the standard reference for the next 700 years. He was the foremost canon lawyer of his day. He supported conjugal visits for prisoners to offset the danger of adultery. He encouraged dialogue with Muslims and Jew. He died aged 100.

Tues 8 Jan: Opt. Mem. of St Nathalan, a native of Aberdeenshire. He worked in the fields and practiced divine contemplation. He went as a pilgrim to Rome and returned to service his country as a bishop. He had a reputation for practical concern for the poor. He died in 678 and is buried in Tullich, near Ballater.

Death Anniversaries (January)

Anne Jane Sutherland, Philip Hercher,
Jean Munn, Pauline Macfarlane,
Isobel Ann, Margaret Forbes,
Margaret Ritchie.

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Mal 3: 1; 1 Chr 29: 12

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and
dominion.

First reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Above you the glory of the Lord appears

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light
has come,
the glory of the Lord is rising on you,
though night still covers the earth
and darkness the peoples.

Above you the Lord now rises
and above you his glory appears.
The nations come to your light
and kings to your dawning brightness.

Lift up your eyes and look round:
all are assembling and coming towards you,
your sons from far away
and your daughters being tenderly carried.

At this sight you will grow radiant,
your heart throbbing and full;
since the riches of the sea will flow to you,
the wealth of the nations come to you;

camels in throngs will cover you,
and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah;
everyone in Sheba will come,
bringing gold and incense
and singing the praise of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 71(72):1-2,7-8,10-13

Response: *All nations shall fall prostrate
before you, O Lord.*

O God, give your judgement to the king,
to a king's son your justice,
that he may judge your people in justice
and your poor in right judgement.

*R.: All nations shall fall prostrate before
you, O Lord.*

In his days justice shall flourish
and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea,
from the Great River to earth's bounds.

*R.: All nations shall fall prostrate before
you, O Lord.*

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts
shall pay him tribute.
The kings of Sheba and Seba
shall bring him gifts.
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,
all nations shall serve him.

*R.: All nations shall fall prostrate before
you, O Lord.*

For he shall save the poor when they cry
and the needy who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak
and save the lives of the poor.

*R.: All nations shall fall prostrate before
you, O Lord.*

Second reading

Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6

**It has now been revealed that pagans share
the same inheritance**

You have probably heard how I have been
entrusted by God with the grace he meant
for you, and that it was by a revelation that I

was given the knowledge of the mystery.
This mystery that has now been revealed
through the Spirit to his holy apostles and
prophets was unknown to any men in past
generations; it means that pagans now
share the same inheritance, that they are
parts of the same body, and that the same
promise has been made to them, in Jesus
Christ, through the gospel.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Mt2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

We saw his star as it rose
and have come to do the Lord
homage.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem
in Judaea during the reign of King Herod,
some wise men came to Jerusalem from
the east. 'Where is the infant king of the
Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it
rose and have come to do him homage.'
When King Herod heard this he was
perturbed, and so was the whole of
Jerusalem. He called together all the chief
priests and the scribes of the people, and
enquired of them where the Christ was to
be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they
told him 'for this is what the prophet
wrote:

*And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
you are by no means least among the
leaders of Judah,*

*for out of you will come a leader
who will shepherd my people Israel.'*

Then Herod summoned the wise men to
see him privately. He asked them the
exact date on which the star had
appeared, and sent them on to
Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the
child,' he said 'and when you have found
him, let me know, so that I too may go
and do him homage.' Having listened to
what the king had to say, they set out.
And there in front of them was the star
they had seen rising; it went forward, and
halted over the place where the child was.
The sight of the star filled them with
delight, and going into the house they
saw the child with his mother Mary, and
falling to their knees they did him
homage. Then, opening their treasures,
they offered him gifts of gold and
frankincense and myrrh. But they were
warned in a dream not to go back to
Herod, and returned to their own country
by a different way.

The Gospel of The Lord

R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Mystery of Faith No. 2

When we eat the Bread and drink this
Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Mt 2: 2

We have seen his star in the East,
and have come with gifts to adore the
Lord.
