

**Let us not forget this word:** God never tires of forgiving us! "Well, Father, what is the problem?" Well, the problem is that we ourselves tire, we do not want to ask, we grow weary of asking for forgiveness. He never tires of forgiving, but at times we get tired of asking for forgiveness. Let us never tire; let us never tire!  
He is the loving Father who always pardons, who has that heart of mercy for us all. And let us, too, learn to be merciful to everyone.

*Pope Francis Angelus address March 17 2013*

**Reflection:** Do you grow weary of asking or forgiveness and of confessing the same sins? Let's accept the Lord's continual forgiveness, and let's continually forgive those who repeatedly offend us.

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#### St Mary's Beaulieu 100 Club August Draw

1st Mrs Catriona Fraser

2nd Mr John Rigby (Senior)

3rd Mrs Denise Mulgrew

#### Tuesdays from 12pm - 1:00pm ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Spend as much time as possible in front of the Blessed Sacrament and he will fill you with his strength and power. *(Saint Teresa of Calcutta)*

**Reflection:** *Where is God calling you to be patient? How can you look to the Lord to find hope, meaning and strength in times of routine or hard work? Trust in God, and allow him to move you forward.*

#### FORGIVENESS

A man I know has lived most of his life trying to deal with the pain he experienced in his relationship with his mother while growing up. Trying to come to terms with this, he studied and considered much, yet this issue continued to overwhelm and obsess him.

One day, I said to him, "Hey, look, you just have to forgive her. That's all."

But where does the ability to forgive come from? If the hurt we have received seems to have stolen our lives from us, has darkened our days and twisted our choices, how is it possible to set this aside? Something has to happen. We have to beg for something we cannot produce ourselves, ask that our entreaty be met by grace that overcomes death itself.

This is the mercy that the Holy Spirit proclaims through the mouth of Zechariah in his blessing song at his son's circumcision (Lk 1:76-78): John the Baptist *"will go before the Lord ... [announcing]... forgiveness of [our] sins, because of the tender mercy of our God by which the daybreak from on high will visit us."*

Something of that daybreak must have reached my friend, because his mother called me one day to say that he had stopped by just to hug her silently. Mercy consists not simply in working things through but in begging for the grace to embrace our lives and to be grateful for everything. -- Father Vincent Nagle, F.S.C.B.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** There will be the celebration of the First Holy Communion of our children on the **4<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**. Let us pray for them.

There will be a short meeting of the parents of the candidates for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** after mass next Sunday, **11<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**.



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**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year - A**

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#### Sunday Mass Times *(post Covid-19)*

**ST MARY'S BEAULIEU** 11:00am

**OUR LADY & ST BEAN, MARYDALE** 4:00pm

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

**ST MARY'S ESKADALE**

*(Masses in abeyance until further notice)*

**ST MARTIN'S ULLAPOOL**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month, 2:30pm

**ST MAELRUBHA'S POOLEWE**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month at 2:30pm

**LOCHINVER : To be arranged**

**FORT AUGUSTUS** Sunday 10:00am, Thursday 10:00am

#### Weekday Mass Times & Devotions from St Mary's Beaulieu *(Live streamed)*

**Monday** Exposition 10:00am Mass 10:30am

**Tuesday** Exposition 10:00am Mass 10:30am  
**Exposition 12 noon to 1:00pm** *(not streamed)*

**Wednesday** Exposition 10:00am Mass 10:30am

**Thursday** Exposition 10:00am Mass 10:30am

**Friday** Exposition 10:00am Mass 10:30am

**Saturday** Exposition 10:00am Mass 10:30am

**Confession:** Call by the Parish House, phone, or email to make appointment

**Next Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year - A**

**Fort Augustus 10:00am Beaulieu 11:00am**

**Ullapool 2.30pm Cannich 4:00pm**

#### Mass Intentions

**Sun:**

**Mon:**

**Tue:**

**Wed:** Maria Holas (RIP)

**Thu:**

**Fri:**

**Sat:**

Please pray for the sick of our parishes and all who ask for our prayers.

#### Liturgical Calendar.

**Mon 14 Sept:** Feast of The Exaltation of The Holy Cross, originally commemorated the dedication of Constantine's Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. The remains of the cross that St Helena had recently discovered were venerated there the following day.

**Tues 15 Sept:** Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. Mary, standing by the Cross, 'suffered intensely with her only begotten Son and united herself to his sacrifice, consenting with love to the offering of the victim who was born of her', whom she also offered to the eternal Father (*Marialis Cultus*).

**Wed 16 Sept:** Feast of Saint Ninian who was born in Cumbria about 360AD and ordained Bishop in 394 in Rome. He landed in Whithorn in 397 and built a church which became the centre for spreading of the Gospel in south-east Scotland. Died 432, buried in Whithorn.

**Thur 17 Sept:** Opt. Mem. St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, 1542-1621

**Sat 19 Sept:** Opt. Mem. of St Janarius, Bishop, martyred with six companions. (305 AD)

#### Death Anniversaries (September)

Lynn Barrie, Derek Gass

## FIRST READING

*Ecclesiasticus 27:33-28:9*

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner.

He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin.

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord?

Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins?

Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins?

Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments.

Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

**R: /** Thanks be to God

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## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalms 102(103):1-4,9-12*

**Response:** *The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.*

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings.

**R:** *The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.*

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and  
compassion.

**R:** *The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.*

His wrath will come to an end;  
he will not be angry for ever.  
He does not treat us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our faults.

**R:** *The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.*

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.  
As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.

**R:** *The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.*

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## SECOND READING

*Romans 14:7-9*

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life: it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

**R: /** Thanks be to God

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*153:9, Jn6:68*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:  
you have the message of eternal life.

**Alleluia!**

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## GOSPEL

*Matthew 18:21-35*

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger

the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

**R: /** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

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## PRAYER BEFORE THE HOMILY

We will make our lives your dwelling place.  
We will build your throne in our hearts.  
Come Father,  
Come Son,  
Come Holy spirit,  
Oh come and take your place in our lives.

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## THE MYSTERY OF FAITH NO. 3

Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.

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## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,  
I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen

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