

Weekday Services (19th June – 24th June)

Monday Morar: 10.15 am
Reception of the Body Morar: 6.00 pm
Tuesday *Funeral Mass of Betty MacBeth* Morar: 1.00 pm
Wednesday *St Aloysius Gonzaga* Arisaig: 10.15 am
Thursday Mallaig: 10.15 am
Friday *Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*..... Morar: 10.15 am
Saturday *Nativity of St John the Baptist* Arisaig: 10.15 am

Sunday Masses 24th / 25th June (12th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - A)

Saturday (Vigil-Mass) 6:00 pm..... Morar
Sunday 10:00 am Arisaig
Sunday 11:30 am Mallaig
Sunday 2:00 pm Mingarry

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Devotions:

Morar: Friday, after morning Mass till 11 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 24th June 5:00 pm Morar
Any other time upon request

Housebound visits this week..... no visits

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Ann and Neil MacEachin; Betty MacBeth 12/06/2017; Elizabeth McDonell (Bracara) 21/06/1967; Marie Mitchell (Mallaig) 20/06; Bob MacDonald 13/06.

Eternal rest...

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Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St Cumin, Morar
St. Mary's, Arisaig – Our Lady of the Angels, Mingarry
St. Patrick's, Mallaig - St. Agnes, Glenuig

CORPUS CHRISTI (A)

18th June 2017

R) O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!



CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

This feast is celebrated in the Latin Church on the Thursday or Sunday after Trinity Sunday to solemnly commemorate the institution of the Holy Eucharist.

Of Maundy Thursday, which commemorates this great event, mention is made as *Natalis Calicis* (Birth of the Chalice) in the Calendar of Polemius (448) for the 24th of March, the 25th of March being in some places considered as the day of the death of Christ. This day, however, was in Holy Week, a season of sadness, during which the minds of the faithful are expected to be occupied with thoughts

of the Lord's Passion. Moreover, so many other functions took place on this day that the principal event was almost lost sight of. This is mentioned as the chief reason for the introduction of the new feast, in the Bull "Transiturus."

The instrument in the hand of Divine Providence was St. Juliana of Mont Cornillon, in Belgium. She was born in 1193 at Retines near Liège. Orphaned at an early age, she was educated by the Augustinian nuns of Mont Cornillon. Here she in time made her religious profession and later became superioress. Intrigues of various kinds several times drove her from her convent. She died 5 April, 1258, at the House of the Cistercian nuns at Fosses, and was buried at Villiers.

Juliana, from her early youth, had a great veneration for the Blessed Sacrament, and always longed for a special feast in its honour. This desire is said to have been increased by a vision of the Church under the appearance of the full moon having one dark spot, which signified the absence of such a solemnity. She made known her ideas to Robert de Thorete, then Bishop of Liège, to the learned Dominican Hugh, later cardinal legate in the Netherlands, and to Jacques Pantaléon, at that time Archdeacon of Liège, afterwards Bishop of Verdun, Patriarch of Jerusalem, and finally Pope Urban IV. Bishop Robert was

favourably impressed, and, since bishops as yet had the right of ordering feasts for their dioceses, he called a synod in 1246 and ordered the celebration to be held in the following year, also, that a monk named John should write the Office for the occasion. The decree is preserved in Binterim (Denkwürdigkeiten, V, 1, 276), together with parts of the Office. Bishop Robert did not live to see the execution of his order, for he died 16 October, 1246; but the feast was celebrated for the first time by the canons of St. Martin at Liège. Jacques Pantaléon became pope 29 August, 1261. The recluse Eve, with whom Juliana had spent some time, and who was also a fervent adorer of the Holy Eucharist, now urged Henry of Guelders, Bishop of Liège, to request the pope to extend the celebration to the entire world. Urban IV, always an admirer of the feast, published the Bull "Transiturus" (8 September, 1264), in which, after having extolled the love of Our Saviour as expressed in the Holy Eucharist, he ordered the annual celebration of Corpus Christi in the Thursday next after Trinity Sunday, at the same time granting many indulgences to the faithful for the attendance at Mass and at the Office. This Office, composed at the request of the pope by the Angelic Doctor St. Thomas Aquinas, is one of the most beautiful in the Roman Breviary and has been admired even by Protestants.

The death of Pope Urban IV (2 October, 1264), shortly after the publication of the decree, somewhat impeded the spread of the festival. Clement V again took the matter in hand and, at the General Council of Vienne (1311), once more ordered the adoption of the feast. He published a new decree which embodied that of Urban IV. John XXII, successor of Clement V, urged its observance

VISITORS WELCOME! Holiday season has fully started with lots of visitors in the area. We welcome them to our parishes and hope they will have a nice and pleasant stay with us and enjoy the famous Highland Hospitality! Among most recent visitors is **Fr Vernon Boutilier**, who spent the last two weeks with us and also celebrated his 55 years as a priest! He has been coming for years now from Nova Scotia in Canada. We also welcomed two religious sisters from the Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Mary, staying in Arisaig: Sisters **Kathleen McCartan** from Lisburn (NI) and **Frieda McGrath** from Waterford (Ireland). We also have with us a group of Polish Families on their annual retreat with two Polish Pallotine priests, **Fr Jacek** and **Fr Tomasz**.

PROVINCIAL MOD: Congratulations to so many of our young parishioners who took part in the Provincial Mod in Fort William. They did extremely well as individuals as well as the whole school classifications!



possible will be able to come to afterwards in Astley Hall.

MONSIGNOR WYNNE: It was a wonderful experience to be a part of Monsignor Wynne's Jubilee Mass in Roy Bridge. A lot of priests from our diocese and beyond came to this celebration. Bishop Toal during his homily praised Fr Wynne's many achievements in the Diocese (as a result it was quite long). Bishop McGee also attended this celebration. Thank you for your very generous donations to the collection for Father Wynne on his Jubilee and Retirement. We will be able to present him with over **£850** raised in all our parishes, along with a Mass card on behalf of us all! I hope that as many of you as

ARISAIG PARISH:

ANN and NEIL MACEACHIN RIP: We were so saddened by Ann's passing and even more when we heard about her husband Neil last Sunday. Many thanks for your presence and support to the family at the funeral.

TEAS/COFFEES: There is a list at the back of the church for volunteers to help with teas and coffees after Fr Wynne's Mass on 25th June. If you could put your name on the list to help with serving, baking or some other way to contribute. My thanks to **Anne MacMillan** who agreed to coordinate this event on behalf of the parish.

SHED AND TREES: Many thanks to Donald MacEachen and Darius Bledowski for help with clearing out the shed and cutting down the trees. We have a wonderful view now over the bay!

MORAR PARISH:

FIRST COMMUNIONS/CORPUS CHRISTI: Our warmest congratulations to Molly MacKay, Murdo Morrison, Chloe Beverage and Zara MacKay, who this Corpus Christi Sunday will receive the Lord Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. We thank all those who prepared them for this very special day. A special thanks to **Lindsay Murray** as she was the one, who accompanied our children in preparation for receiving the Sacraments of Christian Initiation.

BETTY MACBETH: Another sad death in the Parish was that of Betty. She was well known and liked by so many of us. During the last few months she was struggling with her illness in great humility. It was also very sad to hear about her daughter Elizabeth's death, who was buried last Friday in Inverness.

MINGARRY PARISH:

PARISH COUNCIL: Thank you very much for a very constructive meeting of the Parish Council. We have only focused on the Fabric this time and have decided to make some improvements to the Chapel House. Minutes from the meeting are available at the back of the church. My thanks to Anna and Richard Stead for all their involvement and help with our last meeting.

FR GERRY MCGLONE: Sadly, I was informed by Bishop McGee that Fr Gerry will not be coming to Mingarry, as his superiors did not grant him permission to do so. Bishop Brian wishes to spend some time in Mingarry during the summer to assess the pastoral needs of the area.

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig:	
11.06.....	£459 (Gift Aid £265.50) Apostolate of Life: £205
Arisaig:	
11.06.....	£259.40 (Gift Aid £112) Apostolate of Life £113.50
Mingarry:	
11.06.....	£237.50 (Gift Aid £140) Apostolate of Life £67.80

- For World Refugee Day.

"Above all the current crisis should not be reduced to a simple matter of numbers. Migrants are persons with their own names, stories and families."

Pope Francis

- The Local Prayer Breakfast will be on Saturday 24th June at Kilmallie Free Church, Caol, 8:15 for 8:30am. Kate Forbes MSP will be guest speaker introducing topical issues. Bookings can be made to Ella Gill ellagill768@gmail.com, Cost £5.