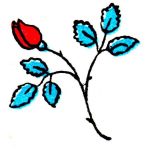


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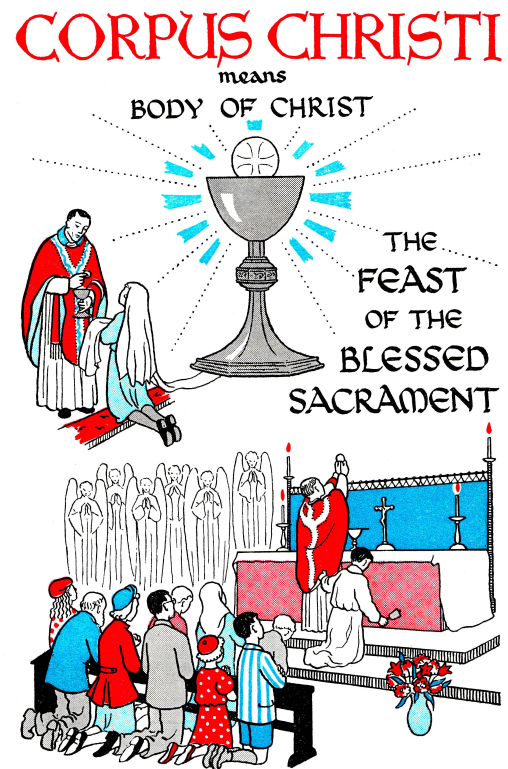
*Far be it from me to glory except in the cross of Christ,
by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.*

Galatians 6:14

Message from Fr Andrew Murphy SSC (Tel.: 07920 596990)

Corpus Christi and Petertide

My friends in Christ, the beginning and the end of this coming month of June see two important liturgy days, firstly Corpus Christi and the second we call Petertide or Peter's tide being the Sunday nearest to 29th June which is the festival day of SS Peter and Paul. At Corpus Christi, meaning the body and blood of Christ, we celebrate His presence in the Eucharist, normally four days after Pentecost but nowadays sometimes on the following Sunday. The Petertide season includes the days before and around that feast and is special in the Anglican calendar for it is in the days around then that most deacons and priests are ordained into the church. The two feasts are not unconnected, for it is only ordained priests who can celebrate Mass and consecrate the sacred bread and wine which becomes Christ's body and blood. When Christ handed Peter the keys of Heaven, and declared that he was "the rock" upon which his church was to be built, he was making Peter the first bishop, from whose laying-on of hands all clergy have been ordained since. Ordination Day is always a great celebration for the candidates who will have spent several years in study and training, and probably several years before then discerning whether they should answer their own individual call to ministry. Most ordinands these days are older men and women who have had experience of the workplace at all levels in education, industry, healthcare or the professions. For many it would not have been to begin with an easy decision to make, particularly in midlife and particularly with family responsibilities. Somehow though, for them it is a call that has to be responded to despite everything. They are following in the



footsteps of St Peter who himself wrestled with following Christ and later endured hardships to be faithful to his master. The power of the Holy Spirit supports the ordained in their solemn but rewarding task of supporting and leading the faithful. Ministry is not a career, but a life's commitment to this very special service of "curing souls", put another way, to leading people to Christ through the celebration and administering of sacraments, and through preaching the word of God. So in this forthcoming season please keep in your prayers and intentions at Mass those preparing for ordination, especially in this Scottish Episcopal communion, this month and for those already in ministry – all of whom are grateful for that support. Pray too for those who are yet to answer that call that they may be encouraged to take the initial steps to embark on that journey. Many blessings.

Father Andrew

Saints' and special days this month

O Lord Jesus Christ, who by the sacrifice of thyself didst break the power of sin and death and open unto us the gate of life eternal: Mercifully look upon us thy servants, and feed us with thyself, the living bread; that, established in thy grace and strengthened by thy Spirit, we may walk before thee in faith and holiness, and serve thee unto our lives' end.

Frederick B. Macnutt

Tues., 1 June – Justin, 2nd century M. & philosopher.

Thursday, 3 June – St Charles Lwanga and the Martyrs of Uganda, converts killed for their faith.

Corpus Christi, celebrating the Holy Eucharist.

S. PETROC

bringing water out of a rock



S. BONIFACE



Friday, 4 June – St Petroc, a patron saint of Cornwall.

Sat., 5 June – St Boniface of Mainz, Archbishop, Miss.

& Martyr. 8th century Devon born, martyred in Frisia.

Tuesday, 8 June – St Ephrem the Syrian, Deacon & Teacher. 4th century hymn writer.

S. COLUMBA

building Iona Monastery



S. BARNABAS

distributing money to the hungry



Wednesday, 9 June – St Columba of Iona, 6th c. Miss.

Fri, 11 June – St Barnabas, Ap. St Paul's travel associate.

Saturday, 12 June – John Skinner, Priest, & John

Skinner, Bp. 18th century Scottish Episcopal Divines.

S. BASIL

in a soup kitchen



S. ALBAN

sheltering a Priest by wearing his cloak



Monday, 14 June – Ss. Basil of Caesarea, Gregory of Nazianzus, and Gregory of Nyssa: Bps and Teachers.

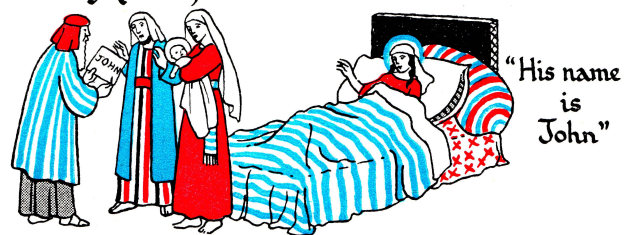
Wednesday, 16 June – Richard of Chichester, Bishop.

Friday, 18 June – Bernard Mizeki, 19th c. Miss. & M.

Sun, 20 June – St Fillan, 8th c. Ab lived in a cave in Fife.

Tuesday, 22 June – St Alban, English martyr & Miss.

Nativity (Birth) of S. JOHN the BAPTIST



"His name is John"

Thursday, 24 June – The Birth of St John the Baptist

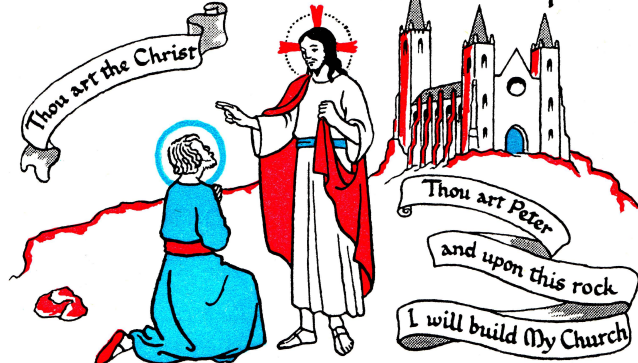
Friday, 25 June – St Moluag of Lismore, Bishop.

Saturday, 26 June – Robert Leighton, 17th century pious Episcopal Archbishop of Glasgow and scholar.

Sun., 27 June – Alexander Jolly, 18th c. Bp of Moray.

Mon., 28 June – St Irenaeus of Lyons, Bishop & 3rd century teacher of the faith.

S. PETER Chief of the Apostles



Tuesday, 29 June – Ss. Peter and Paul, Apostles.

Vestry news

Finally, some good news. The Vestry has decided, with the Bishop, to appoint Father David Gordon as part-time Transitional Priest-in-Charge, on a date to be announced. Fr David was formerly an NHS chaplain, and has since moved into parish work. His primary task will be to work to build up the congregation so that we can confidently afford a full-time Rector once more. He also looks after All Souls Invergowrie, so we shall still need additional Sunday cover from other clergy, but his involvement will be much more than simply taking Sunday services. (Incidentally this is *not* a merger with All Souls; we shall simply be sharing a priest for a while.) Fr David looked after the Cathedral during its interregnum, providing great reassurance to the congregation since the departure of its much loved Provost. So please would you remember Father David in your prayers as he prepares to come to us this summer.