



Our Holy Redeemer, Stornoway Ar Fear-Saoraidh Naomh, Steòrnabhagh

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Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 11am

Sunday 2pm (Harris)

Monday, 12:30pm

Tuesday 10am

Wednesday 10am

Friday, 12:30pm

Saturday 12 noon

Feasts this week .
Monday, St. John Chrysostom
Tuesday, The Exaltation of the Cross
Wednesday, Our Lady of Sorrows
Thursday, St. Ninian
Friday, St. Robert Bellarmine

Please note the very different weekday Mass schedule this week. That is because it is the week of the Bishop's meetings (normally all the priests would be in Oban for the Clergy Assembly, but it is being held via Teams this year). The normal 12:30 Mass slots clash with meetings hosted by Bishop Brian. I also have a meeting on Monday, but it should be finished for 12:30pm.

Many thanks to Deacon Philip for taking good care of the parish while I was away, and for leading two Communion services. Luckily my rescheduled flight landed safely this morning so I am back in Stornoway. Otherwise you would have had a Communion Service on Sunday too!

Thank you for the Special Collection for the sick and retired priests. Our revised total is £147.50. There will be a second collection for the Ecclesial Students' Fund this week, essentially this is the fund that pays for the formation of students, which at this time is only Philip.

Church open:

**15 mins before
Masses**

This Sunday marks the beginning of Vocations Awareness week, so it is a very appropriate time to pray for Philip, as he continues on his path to priesthood. As you will know from speaking with him, he has one year to go in the Beda College, Rome, and will be ordained for our diocese next summer.

**Confessions:
Available on
appointment**

While it is a great gift from God that we have people like Philip willing to come to our diocese and serve and work here, at the moment we have nobody from among our own people training for the priesthood or for the Permanent Diaconate. If you are thinking about your calling, please come and speak with me about it.

Collection:

**Offertory £180.00
Votives £10.00
Retired Priests
£20.00**

Thanks to everyone who exercises the ministry of reader in the parish. Please remember to let one of the other readers (or myself) know if you cannot read on your allotted Sunday. Anyone who wants to read at the Vigil Mass is also most welcome. For the time being we will not be needing Eucharistic ministers at Mass, until the chalice is restored.

S.O.: £426.80

The updated Safeguarding manual, In God's Image (version 2) has now come into effect. You can access the manual as a flip-book on most devices from the Bishops Conference website, <https://www.bcos.org.uk/InGodsImage2>

**“Let the mouth fast from foul words
and unjust criticism. For what good
is it if we abstain from birds and
fishes, but bite and devour our
brothers”**

St. John Chrysostom

Confession	On appointment only,
Divine Office	Week 4
Sunday readings	Isa 50:5-9, Ps 114 Jas 2:14-18, Mk 8: 27-35
Weekday readings	Twenty fourth week of the Year