



# GETTING TO KNOW ST MUNGO

FEAST DAY: 13 JANUARY

Mungo's mother Princess Theneva was exiled and cast adrift on the River Forth. She washed up in Fife, where she was taken in by the community of St Serf at Culross. It is here that her son Kentigern was born and was given the nickname of 'Mungo' which means 'My Dear One' by St. Serf. At the age of 25, Mungo began his missionary work on the banks of the River Clyde and built his Church where Glasgow Cathedral now stands.

After 13 years in Glasgow, he was driven out by the Anti Christian King Morken, but in the 570s King Rhydderch Hael invited Mungo to become Archbishop of Strathclyde. Mungo's Church became the focus of a large community that became known as Clas-gu or 'dear family'. From these beginnings emerged the modern city of Glasgow.

Mungo died on Sunday 13 January 614. He was buried close by his church and today his tomb lies in the centre of the Lower Choir of Glasgow Cathedral, probably on the actual site of his grave.

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ST MUNGO PRAY FOR US

