



Please pray for those who died recently – Helen Campbell of St Margaret’s Hospice, Clydebank (Reception on Saturday at 9.45am with Requiem Mass at 10.00am. Thereafter to Philipshill Cemetery), Tricia Gardyne (Australia), Maurice Mallon (Pollokshaws & Cardonald), James T. Kirk, William (Bill) Paterson (Requiem Mass in St Bride’s, East Kilbride, on Friday 1st March at 10.00am), Archie Ferguson (Springburn), Joe Kelly, Hugh Miller, Fr. Sean O’ Shea (Retired priest of the Diocese of Motherwell).

Pray also for the Months Minds and Anniversaries of – Bridget & James Gardyne, Mary McDonnell, Frank & Mary McWilliams, Teresa Woodside, Ann Little, Fr Joseph Martin, John & Celia Cooper, John Rae, Michael McLuskey, Catherine McKerracher, Nan & Andrew Curran, Sandra Brown, Paul Millar (Birthday Remembrance), Tony Madden, Harry Carroll, Arthur Smyth, Josephine McLarnon, James Walker.



Please pray for the sick – Jackie Fleming, Eileen Robertson, Carole Gaffney (Australia), Samuel Ruddy (age 20), Marianne Doherty, Kerr Gildie, Charlotte Jordan, Eileen Mullan, Dick Cohen, John Watson, Ann Gough, Catherine Watson, Susan Gough, Roseanne Dupree, Tony Slaven, Lena Connochie, May McCormack, Marie Docherty, Leslie Docherty, Linda Hogg, Joseph Berry, Anne Adams, Gerry Kelly, Nancy McLellan, Terry McLellan, Paul Gallagher, Mary Johnstone, William Ellis, Elizabeth Hunter, Gian Adjuda, Betty McKenna, Sister Margaret Conroy FMM (Thatcham, Berkshire), Mary McManus, Margaret (Rita) McKay, Margaret Steele, William Oliver, Stephen Hart, Canon Michael Walsh (retired Parish Priest of St Aloysius’, Chapelhall), Mary Higgins (Wishaw), Robert Dunlop (Northfield, East Kilbride), Maria Christie, Maureen Cockburn (Montreal Park), Barbara Veitch, David Scott (St Leonard’s Parish, age 41), James Farmer (age 2), Elizabeth Rogers (London), Carol Stewart (Larkhall).

PARISH INCOME LAST WEEKEND

Offertory Collection £ 1412.44
Votives £ 299.56
Stall £ 75.00

Thank you for all offerings to the parish.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

All parishes in the Diocese of Motherwell have been asked to take up a Second Collection at Sunday Masses this weekend. This is a Lenten Collection to help the Diocese fund and maintain its mission for the Church in the Diocese of Motherwell.

THE GONZAGA SERIES ST ALOYSIUS COLLEGE

Tuesday 27th February

Jan Graffius
Stoneyhurst College Curator
“The World is our House”

Jesuits, Culture and Spirituality

Tuesday 6th March

Fr Frank Turner SJ
British Jesuit Province
Delegate For intellectual Apostolate
“Integral Ecology as Integral Conversion.”

7.00pm. Free Admission.

Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons,
232 - 242 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5RJ
Visit stalloysius.org

CONTEMPLATIVE THEOLOGY REFLECTING ON OUR FAITH IN PRAYER

During Lent, you are invited to experience “Contemplative Theology”, our response to Pope Francis’ call to “do theology on our knees.” Contemplative Theology is simply reflecting on our faith in a prayer-filled environment, bearing fruit in action. We will meet in the Xavier Centre, Carfin, on Thursdays 1st, 8th & 15th March from 7.30-9.00pm. Please see the flyer on the notice board for more details.

THE ROMERO CENTRE

SOUTH AFRICA - a model of reconciliation or a caution?

Raymond Perrier
Director of the Denis Hurley Centre in Durban, South Africa

Tuesday 13th March at 7.00pm
St Aloysius College
45 Hill Street, Glasgow, G3 6RJ

Further details on the church noticeboard

CATENIANS

Appeal for new members

The Catenians are an association of Catholic laymen who are committed to their faith, their families, to those in need and to each other. Their primary purpose is to establish a network of friends, which enhances their family life, strengthens their faith and sustains them in difficult times. They support each other, the Catholic Church, young people and those in need. At present the local Catenians are wishing to recruit new members. If you would like to know more please see Danny O’Hagan or email danielohagan11@btinternet.com or contact Pat McCormick patmccormick@btinternet.com

STUDIO 32 PRESENTS STRICTLY MUSICALS on Friday 2nd March at 7.30pm in St Andrew’s and St Bride’s High School. Tickets: £5.00. Contact Hilary on 07714981908. All proceeds to School Funds and HCPT.

MARY’S MEALS and HCPT fundraising coffee morning on Saturday 10th March from 10.00am until 1.00pm in Claremont Church Hall. Please come along and support the pupils of St Andrew’s and St Bride’s in their efforts to raise money to feed some of the world’s poorest children and to help send children to Lourdes. Thanks in advance for your support.



SECOND SUNDAY
OF LENT
“WATCH AND LISTEN”

Our Lady of Lourdes

A Parish of the Diocese of Motherwell Scottish Charity No. SC011041

30 Canberra Drive, East Kilbride, G75 8DG

Parish House: 01355 224511 Hall Enquiries: 01355 233796

website: ourladyoflourdeschurch.org.uk

email: mail@ourladyoflourdeschurch.org.uk

Parish Clergy: Monsignor Thomas Millar Father Seán G. Wyllie

25th February 2018

PARISH LENTEN TALKS - *Walking With Jesus on the Way of the Cross*

Tuesdays 27th February and 13th & 20th March beginning at 7.30pm in the church

Father Andrew Robinson from St Mary’s College, Oscott, Birmingham

LOCAL FOODBANK

Our next Collection for our local foodbank is next weekend - 3rd/4th March. Although Easter is still some weeks away this will be our last collection prior to Easter Sunday. In that spirit I was hoping we could attempt to replicate last year’s wonderful contributions when we collected 115 bags and donations amounted to £378.00. These donations were our second best during 2017. Additionally, since it is Easter and since so many of the recipients of your generosity are families with children, might you consider including an Easter Egg this month? Yet again, many thanks for your support and thoughtfulness. *Phil McMahon*

CHURCH OPENING TIMES THIS WEEK

- **Sunday**
8.00am until after Evening Prayer
- **Monday**
9.00am until after Evening Mass
- **Tuesday**
6.45am until after the Lenten Talk
- **Wednesday**
6.45am until 6.00pm
- **Thursday**
6.45am until after Night Prayer
- **Friday**
6.45am until 6.00pm
- **Saturday**
7.30am until after the Vigil Mass

READINGS FOR TODAY/SUNDAY

25th February 2018

Second Sunday in the Season of Lent

Genesis 22: 1-2,9-13,15-18; Psalm 115: 10,15-19;

R/. I WILL WALK IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD
IN THE LAND OF THE LIVING

Romans 8: 31-34; Mark 9: 2-10.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

4th March 2018

Third Sunday in the Season of Lent

Exodus 20: 1-17; Psalm 18: 8-11

R/. YOU, LORD,
HAVE THE MESSAGE OF ETERNAL LIFE

I Corinthians 1: 22-25; Mark 2: 13-25

WHAT ARE WE DOING DURING THESE FORTY HOLY DAYS?

2. A journey to reform ourselves - Individually and as a Church

If Lent is a preparation for Easter, it is important to correctly understand in what way and in what spirit this preparation should take place. A Lenten journey at the end of which we would return to our previous state would have only a very relative interest. We might derive from it more self-satisfaction than real progress. The Lenten practices (Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving) are not meant to be ends in themselves. As a preparation for the paschal celebration, Lent is a path of personal and communal renewal. In concrete terms, Lent is about rejecting everything that tarnishes or warps Christ’s image, whether in the individual or the community. Lent is about making amends repeatedly, rectifying what can and must be corrected so that Christians - individually and collectively - may present themselves in a fashion that is more direct, purer and livelier. Nothing after Lent should be as it was before!

This Christian reform may bear upon things seemingly small but of considerable importance for ourselves, others, the community; ways of thinking and judging, attitudes, ways of behaviour, personal and collective habits - all of these on the levels of religious, church and parish life, family relationships, social engagement and political life. The point, however, is not to seek a cure aimed solely at giving us new moral health or enabling us to accept the future with the assurance and dignity of people getting back on their feet. The sincerity and truth we seek through our Lenten Penance are measured rather by our love for God and our love for others.

The prophet Isaiah makes this clear: “releasing those bound unjustly, untying the thongs of the yoke; setting free the oppressed, breaking every yoke; sharing your bread with the hungry, sheltering the oppressed and the homeless; clothing the naked when you see them; and not turning your back on your own.” (Isaiah 58:6-7) We reform ourselves to practise love, or rather by practising love!

“Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed If you remove from your midst oppression, false accusation and malicious speech.” (Isaiah 58:9)

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THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

Sunday 25th February

- 9.00am Mass for the Second Sunday of Lent/Year B
- 11.00am Mass for the Second Sunday of Lent/Year B (With Children's Liturgy of the Word)
- 5.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Quiet Hour of Prayer)
- 6.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church & Benediction

Monday 26th February

- (8.30am Mass in St Louise Primary School)
- 10.00am Mass for Monday in the Second Week of Lent
- 6.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Quiet Holy Hour of Prayer until 7.25pm
- 7.30pm Mass for Monday in the Second Week of Lent

Tuesday 27th February

- 8.15am Mass for Tuesday in the Second Week of Lent
- 9.30am Morning Prayer of the Church for Lent
- 10.00am Mass for Tuesday in the Second Week of Lent
- 7.30pm Second Lenten Talk in the church

Wednesday 28th February

- 7.00am Mass for Wednesday of the Second Week of Lent
- 9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 9.55am
- 9.30am Eucharistic Stations of the Cross
- 10.00am Mass for Wednesday of the Second Week of Lent

Thursday 1st March

- 8.15am Mass for Thursday of the Second Week of Lent
- 9.30am Morning Prayer of the Church for Lent
- 10.00am Mass for Thursday of the Second Week of Lent
- 6.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 7.00pm Confessions until 7.30pm
- 7.45pm Night Prayer of the Church & Benediction

Friday 2nd March

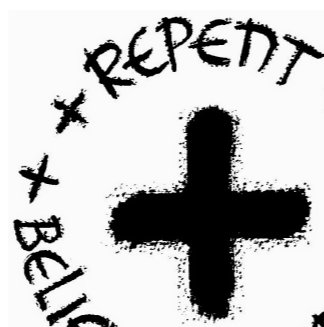
- 7.00am Mass for Friday in the Second Week of Lent
- 9.15am Confessions until 9.45am
- 9.30am Stations of the Cross
- 10.00am First Friday of the Month
- Our Lady of Lourdes Primary join the parish community for Mass today
- Mass for Friday in the Second Week of Lent

Saturday 3rd March

- 8.15am Mass for Saturday in the Second Week of Lent
- 9.15am Confessions until 9.45am
- 9.30 am Novena in Honour of the Miraculous Medal and the Rosary in the Oratory
- 9.45am Reception of Helen Campbell R.I.P.
- 10.00am Requiem Mass
- 11.00am Confessions until 11.15am
- 5.15pm Confessions until 5.45pm
- 6.00pm Vigil Mass for the Third Sunday in the Season of Lent/Year B

Sunday 4th March

- 9.00am Mass for the Third Sunday in the Season of Lent/Year B
- 11.00am Mass for the Third Sunday in the Season of Lent/Year B



SOME LENTEN TRADITIONS FOR OUR CHILDREN

Mondays at 8.30am
Mass in St Louise Primary School

Monday at 1.30pm
Stations of the Cross (Primaries 4 & 5 of Our Lady of Lourdes School)

Wednesday at 1.30pm
Stations of the Cross (Primary 6 & 7 of Our Lady of Lourdes School)

You are welcome to join us for the Stations of the Cross as timetabled above

MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

On Tuesdays in the Oratory after 10.00am Mass

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

On Fridays at 2.00pm in the church

ROSARY

Recited after 10 o'clock Mass from Monday to Friday and before Mass on a Saturday at 9.30am.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday of this week in the Church 6.40pm - 8.00pm
Divine Mercy Chapelet
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Prayers for Life Benediction

THE PARISH HALL

- Sundays** Tea Bar open after 11.00am Mass
Indoor Bowling 2.00 - 4.00pm (Main Hall).
All welcome.
Contact 01355 267009.
- Tuesdays** Bingo - At 7.30pm in the Hall
- Wednesdays** Tea Bar after 10.00am Mass
- Thursdays** Mother and Toddler Group
10.30am until 12 noon
- Thursdays** Friendship Club
1.30pm - 3.30pm

PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The next Preparation Meeting takes place on Wednesday 28th February at 7.00pm in the Oratory, for parents and godparents as they look forward to the baptism of their child. If you are having your child baptised in the very near future we ask you to attend.

PARISH MEN'S GROUP

The aim of the group would be to bring men of all ages together to share interests and hobbies such as football, golf, snooker, walking, jogging, the gym and other pastimes.

There would be a spiritual dimension to the group too with monthly or bi-monthly talks or spiritual input.

Whether you are young, old, or somewhere in between, please give some consideration to joining with other men from the parish to share common interests and to come together to develop your spiritual life together.

Please come along to a preliminary meeting on Tuesday 6th March at 8.00pm in the church.

WEE BOX

Thank you for taking a SCIAF Lenten package home a few weeks ago. We still have a number of SCIAF packages for Lent in the church porch. If you haven't got one please take one home with you this weekend while at Mass. The WEE BOX can be a useful point of reference at home for almsgiving. Please keep the box in a prominent place in your home. We would ask you to return the boxes to us at the end of Lent. Ideally we would like the WEE BOX returned at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday to form part of the Offertory Procession.

HOW IS LENT FOR YOU?

- It has been encouraging to see the response to daily Mass and to the Stations of the Cross so far during Lent.
- The attendance at the first Lenten Talk last Tuesday was encouraging (about 50 people); all those present seem to have found Fr Andrew's insight into the Passion of St Mark helpful.
- Keep up the good work as we enter Week 2 of Lent.
- A word of encouragement to our younger parishioners about Mass on the weekdays of Lent.
- Thursday evenings Adoration & Night Prayer has been poorly supported. Can we do better this week?

THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Residential weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will take place from 23rd - 25th March at St Mary's, Kinnoull, Perth. For details contact Ros on 0131 669 0003 or email rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk

Completed Applications must be completed by Friday 9th March 2018. See the church noticeboard.

ST ANDREW'S HOSPICE AIRDRIE

MAKE A WILL MONTH MARCH 2018

Make or update your Will and support St Andrew's Hospice during the month of March. Several Lanarkshire Legal Firms have agreed to write a basic Will and waive their legal fee, in return for a donation to St Andrew's Hospice. For further information please contact Lorna McCafferty, Trust Fundraising Officer, at St Andrew's Hospice on 01236 772087 or email lorna.mccafferty@standrews.scot.nhs.uk

LADIES' LUNCH & FASHION SHOW

Sunday 4th March 2018
Bothwell Bridge Hotel Tickets: £35.00

ST PATRICK'S NIGHT with "SILVER STRAND CEILI BAND"

Friday 16th March in the Hall

7.00pm until 11.00pm

Light supper of pies, cakes and tea
Irish Bingo, Raffles etc
BYOB and a glass or two!

Tickets cost £10.00

and are available from Ennis and the Stall in the church
It would be appreciated if you would pay for your tickets in advance of the event.