

**Please pray for those who died recently** – Canon Michael Bagan (Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh), Annie Stanners (Funeral Service at 1.00pm on Wednesday), Gerry Duffin, Matt Ross (Bishopton), Jim Watt, John Gallagher (Donegal), Cathie Murray (Port Glasgow), Patsy Evans, Andrew Dijk, Margaret Campbell.

**Pray also for the Months Minds and Anniversaries of** – Thomas Donnelly (Snr), Michael Daly, Jim & Irene McDermott, Robert Kinghorn, Mae Mulgrew (Shannon), Una Cortopassi, Alexander & Mary McAinsh, Ila Farren, Right Rev. Mgr. Alex Devanny, Right Rev. Jack Gillen.



**Please pray for the sick** – Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI, Jackie Fleming, Eileen Robertson, Carole Gaffney (Australia), Samuel Ruddy (age 20), Marianne Doherty, Kerr Gildie, Eileen Mullan, Dick Cohen, John Watson, Ann Gough, Susan Gough, Roseanne Dupree, Tony Slaven, Lena Connachie, May McCormack, Marie Docherty, Leslie Docherty, Linda Hogg, Joseph Berry, Ann Adams, Jim Reynolds, 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) Mackay, Margaret Steele, William Oliver, Stephen Hart, Mary Higgins (Wishaw), Robert Dunlop (Northfield), 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), Mary McGuire, Anne Hughes.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY**

Offertory Collection £1618.07 Votive Candles £160.93 Stall £70.00  
 SCIAF BOXES £3468.00 *The total for the SCIAF BOXES is a very generous response to the Lenten Appeal and you are to be highly commended for being so supportive of the work of SCIAF. In addition you contributed another £1,739.03 on the Fourth Sunday of Lent to the Second Collection for SCIAF. All in all that amounts to £5,207.03. If there are some SCIAF BOXES still to be handed in would you please get them to us as soon as possible? Hand them into the Stall or sacristy or parish house. Thank you.*  
 We also received a donation of £400.00 from one of our parishioners towards the cost of the new chalices. We happily acknowledge that very generous gift. May God reward the generosity of our parishioners.

**POPE FRANCIS REFLECTS ON THE MASS (January 2018)**

- ◆ Be intentional about silence during Mass, Pope Francis reminds us. Moments of silence in the Mass should be intentional times of prayer, recollection and communion with God, rather than being viewed as times to just be quiet or not to speak. "Silence is not reduced to the absence of words, but (is) the availability to listen to other voices: that of our heart and, above all, the voice of the Holy Spirit," the Pope said.
- ◆ In silence, then, we discover "the importance of listening to our soul and then opening it to the Lord." Continuing his general audience catechesis on the topic of the Mass, Pope Francis reflected on the nature of the different moments of silence found within the celebration, especially in the recitation of the collect.
- ◆ The collect, which is prayed after the Gloria, or if the Gloria is omitted, following the Penitential Act, is a short prayer which goes from praise to supplication, and is generally inspired by or takes its inspiration from the day's Scripture passages, the Pope said. This prayer, which varies according to the day and time of the Mass (being said), begins with the priest saying to the people, "Let us pray," followed by a brief silence. "I strongly recommend priests observe this moment of silence, which without wanting to, we risk neglecting," Francis noted. In this moment the congregation is exhorted to come together in silence, to become aware of the presence of God, and to bring out, "each one in his own heart, the personal intentions with which he participates in Mass." "Perhaps we come from days of toil, of joy, of sorrow, and we want to tell the Lord, to invoke his help, to ask that he be near us; we have family members and friends who are ill or who are going through difficult trials; we wish to entrust to God the fate of the Church and the world." "For this we need the brief silence beforehand, that the priest, gathering the intentions of each one, expresses in a loud voice to God, in the name of all, the common prayer that concludes the rites of introduction, making, indeed, a 'collection' of individual intentions."
- ◆ These silences are written right into the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, the Pope pointed out. There, it says that in the Penitential Act and again after the invitation to pray, everyone is supposed to spend a moment in recollection. And in the silences following a reading or the homily, everyone is called to meditate briefly on what they have heard. After Communion they should praise and pray to God in their hearts.
- ◆ The Gloria, another kind of prayer, is either recited or sung before the collect on Sundays - except during Lent and Advent - and on feasts and solemnities. Here, "the feelings of praise that run through the hymn are intertwined with the confident pleading of divine benevolence, to end with the Trinitarian doxology, which characterizes the whole liturgical celebration," he said. The recitation or singing of the Gloria, the Pope emphasized, "constitutes an opening of the earth to heaven." By meditating on the prayers of the Mass, the liturgy can become for us, the Pope concluded, a "true school of prayer."



**Our Lady of Lourdes**

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**Third Sunday of Easter/Year B**

**15th April 2018**

**LOCAL FOODBANK**

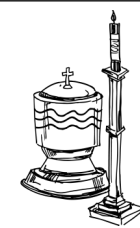
Thank you again for your incredible efforts for last weekend's collections totalling 63 bags and £615.00. Immediately prior to Easter two parishioners donated 27 Easter Eggs in 3 bags that would bring the former figure up to 66 bags. This means that so far in 2018 you have gifted 312 bags and an astonishing £2345.00—donations that we could only have dreamed of way back in December 2015 Magnificent!  
 Our next collection is the weekend of 5th/6th May. Please note that the first weekend in May also includes the May Bank Holiday.



*Baptism*

**PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM**

The next meeting for parents and godparents takes place on Wednesday 18th April at 7.00pm in the Oratory.



**MEN'S GROUP**

Please meet in the Oratory on Thursday 19th April at 8.00pm. Open to all men in our parish. If you didn't manage to the first meeting a few weeks ago and would like to find out more, then just come along. Fr Sean can supply you with more information on the formation of this group in our parish.

**KEEP CALM AND BECOME ALTAR SERVER!**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Fr Sean and Len ask the Altar Servers to meet with them on Sunday 22nd April at 12.30pm. This will provide a training update for all our current Servers. It will also be an opportunity for new Servers, especially from Primary 4, our First Communicants for this year, to come along and offer their service to our parish and to begin their training as Altar Servers.

Fr Sean and Mgr Millar have already spoken to a number of the children in our schools about becoming Altar Servers—some in Primaries 5 and 6. We ask parents to give every encouragement to our young boys and girls to have this honour of serving at the Altar of the Lord. We look forward to a positive response from the families in our parish community.

**MASS OF THANKSGIVING**

All parishioners are invited to celebrate Mgr Millar's 40 years of priesthood on Friday of this week with Mass at 7.00pm and a Buffet Reception in the Parish Hall after Mass.

**FR PAUL DENNEY**  
 DVDs of Fr Paul's ordination are on sale in the Stall this weekend at a cost of £10.00.



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## THIRD WEEK OF EASTER IN OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH

*Our church is open from 8.00am until 6.00pm or until after Evening Mass or Service*

### Sunday 15th April

- 9.00am Mass for the Third Sunday of Easter/Year B
- 11.00am Mass for the Third Sunday of Easter/Year B
- 12.30pm Sacrament of Baptism

***Come and pray for peace and justice this evening***

- 5.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 5.45pm Prayers for Peace
- 6.00pm Evening Prayer & Benediction

### Monday 16th April

- 10.00am Mass for Monday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 6.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 7.25pm
- 7.30pm Mass for Monday in the Third Week of Eastertide

### Tuesday 17th April

- 8.15am Mass for Tuesday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 10.00am Mass for Tuesday in the Second Week of Eastertide

### Wednesday 18th April

- 8.15am Mass for Wednesday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 8.45am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9.55am
- 10.00am Mass for Wednesday in the Third Week of Eastertide

### Thursday 19th April

- 8.15am Mass for Thursday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 10.00am Mass for Thursday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 6.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Night Prayer & Benediction at 7.45pm. Confessions between 7.00pm & 7.30pm

### Friday 20th April

- 8.15am Mass for Friday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9.55am
- 9.15am Confessions until 9.45am
- 9.30am Via Lucis (Meditations on the Stations of Light for the Easter Season)
- 10.00am Mass for Friday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 7.00pm Mass of Thanksgiving for the 40th anniversary of the ordination of Mgr Millar

### Saturday 21st April

- 8.15am Mass for Saturday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 9.15am Confessions until 9.45am
- 9.30am Recitation of the Rosary & Novena in honour of the Miraculous Medal
- 10.00am Mass for Saturday in the Third Week of Eastertide
- 5.15pm Confessions until 5.45pm
- 6.00pm Vigil Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Easter/Year B

### Sunday 22nd April Good Shepherd Sunday Day of Prayer for Vocations

- 9.00am Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Easter/Year B
- 11.00am Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Easter/Year B
- 12.30pm Sacrament of Baptism

### PARISH NOTICES

- ⇒ Tearoom after 11.00am Mass today.
- ⇒ Tearoom after 10.00am Mass on Wednesday.
- ⇒ Mother & Toddler Group resumes on Thursday 19th April.
- ⇒ Friendship Club on Thursdays from 1.30pm.

- ◆ The Mother's Prayer Group meets as usual this week on Tuesday after 10.00am Mass in the Oratory.
- ◆ Prayer for Vocations on Friday in the church at 2.00pm.
- ◆ Rosary after 10.00am Mass (Monday to Friday) and on Saturday before Mass with the Novena in honour of the Miraculous Medal.
- ◆ The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets on Wednesday of this week at 8.00pm in the Oratory.

### LOL BOWLING CLUB

Season starts on Wednesday 25th April at 6.00pm. Sundays from 1.30pm. The Murray Bowling Club. New members very welcome. Contact 01355 267009 for further information.

### FIRST COMMUNION DATES 2018

- \* First Communion Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes School will be celebrated by Fr Sean on Saturday 12th May at 12 noon.
- \* First Communion Mass for St Louise School will be celebrated by Mgr Millar on Saturday 19th May at 12 noon.

### HEALING & DELIVERANCE MASS

On Saturday 21st April at 1.00pm in St Columba's Chapel Hall, 693 Old Edinburgh Road, Uddingston, G71 6HF. Celebrant: Fr Tom Wilberforce CSSp. Programme on the noticeboard.

### KING'S THEATRE

- Just a reminder of the date for "Seven Drunken Nights" in the King's Theatre on Sunday 29th April.
- The bus leaves at 6.00pm from the school and theatre tickets will be given on the bus.

### CABARET NIGHT

- ◇ Studio 32 Theatre Company are coming to LOL Parish Hall on Friday 11th May from 7.30pm until 11.00pm.
- ◇ A fantastic night of fun and entertainment is promised.
- ◇ Light supper. BYOB and glass. Raffles etc.
- ◇ Tickets: £5.00. Available now from Ennis and at the Stall

### GIFTAID

- ◇ Thank you to all who GiftAid to our parish.
- ◇ If you haven't managed to collect your book of envelopes please help us by picking them up today while you are at Mass.
- ◇ We have become aware that some of the contact details for GiftAid donators are quite out of date. Can you have a word with Mgr Millar and help us update our records as soon as possible? Or you can send your contact details to him via the parish email address.
- ◇ This is perhaps a good time to ask those of you who pay tax and are not currently in the GiftAid scheme for our parish to consider joining GiftAid now, at the beginning of a new fiscal year.
- ◇ Being a member of GiftAid/the GiftAid scheme for the parish helps our finances considerably. All you have to do is make your offering by using one of our GiftAid envelopes which we will issue to you on completion of the GiftAid form. Or you can choose to make your offering by Standing Order after completion of the GiftAid form.
- ◇ There are plenty of GiftAid forms on the table in the church porch. If you pay tax and do not GiftAid to our parish, please take the time to fill in the form and hand it to either Mgr Millar or Fr Sean. Thank you.

### PARISH FINANCE TEAM MEETING

Monday 23rd April at 12 noon.

### CHURCH ROOF FUND

**Next Sunday there will be a Second Collection for the Church Roof Fund. If you GiftAid to the parish please use one of the envelopes for this purpose.**

Today we welcome those who will be baptised into the life and faith of the Church: Clodagh Grace Perry, Gino Joseph Marsella and Odhran Colin Donnelly. Please pray for them and for their parents and godparents at Mass today.

**NEXT SUNDAY is GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY and WORLD DAY OF PRAYER for Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life.**

*There is a box in the church porch giving parishioners an opportunity to make a contribution to a Parish Presentation to mark Mgr Millar's 40th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood.*