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| **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A**4th and 5th March2023 |

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| Mon | 10:00 | Devotions |
|  | **19:00** | **Stations of the Cross** |

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| Tue | **08:15** | **Mass** |
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| Wed | 10:00 | Mass |

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| Thu | 10:00 | Mass |
|  | 19:00 | Mass |

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| Fri | **07:00** | **Mass – St John Ogilvie** |
|  | 10:00 | Mass |
|  | 15:00 | Funeral of Susan Ferguson |

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| Sat | 09:00 - 09:45 | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
|  | 09:15 - 09:45 | Confessions |
|  | 10:00 | Mass |
|  | 16:15 - 16:45 | Confessions |

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| THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A11th and 12th March2023 |

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|  | 17:00 | Vigil Mass of Sunday |

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| Sun | 09:00 | Sunday Mass |
|  | 11:00 | Sunday Mass |
|  | 14:00 | Autism Friendly Mass |

# THIS WEEK’S READINGS

## Genesis 12:1-4

All the tribes of the earth shall bless themselves by you

## Psalm 32(33):4-5,18-20,22

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

## 2 Timothy 1:8-10

God calls and enlightens us

## Matthew 17:1-9

His face shone like the sun

# REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Matthew tells that the disciples fall on their faces overcome with fear when they hear the voice of the Father. Only after the resurrection will their faith be perfected to the point that they can hold to both the majesty of God and his desire to save them by drawing them into his perfect love through Jesus.

# PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

## Recently Deceased

Kevin McLauchlan, James McVittie, Teresa Convy, Frank Jackson (funeral Tuesday, 14th 10:00), Susan Ferguson (funeral Friday, 10th 15:00), Andrew Fleming, Ian Hutton, Betty Synott, Paddy McGee, Clare Hamilton and John Reynolds.

## Anniversaries, Month’s Minds, Birthday Remembrances

Mary Davie, Francis Bradley jnr, Maureen McCourt, James Branagan, Patricia Gannon and Jessie McIntyre.

## THE SICK

Margaret Gannon, Mary (May) McCann, Nora Houston, Terry Cassidy and Holly McConville, Clare Kean.

# COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THank You

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| Cash offerings | £1,738 |
| Envelopes | £288 |
| Standing Orders | £905 |
| Estimated Gift Aid | £265 |
|  | **£3,196** |

## First Confessions

Please pray for the boys and girls who celebrate their First Reconciliation this week:

Wednesday 19:00 – St Louise Primary.
Thursday 18:00 – Our Lady of Lourdes Primary.

***Please note that there will be Mass as usual on Thursday at 19:00, but confession will only be for the school children.***

# Weekly Prayer Groups

## Novena, Rosary and Prayer for Priests

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday before Mass at 09:25 and after Mass on a Saturday.

## MOTHERS’ PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday after Mass in the Oratory.

## society of st vincent de paul society LENTEN rosary

Tuesday at 19:00 in the Oratory.

## PRO-LIFE prayer group

Wednesday in the Oratory after Mass

## Faith sharing group

Wednesday, at 19:00. in the Oratory.

## PRAYER FOR PRIESTS & VOCATIONS

Friday at 13:30 in the Church, Stations of the Cross and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

***All Welcome***

# NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

## Exodus 17:3-7

Strike the rock, and water will flow from it

## Psalm 94(95):1-2,6-9

O that today you would listen to his voice! ‘Harden not your hearts.’

## Romans 5:1-2,5-8

The love of God has been poured into our hearts

## John 4:5-42

A spring of water welling up to eternal life.

# REGULAR EVENTS

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| Mon | 18:30 | Legion of Mary (Church Hall) |

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| Tue | 09:00 | Knitting and Craft Group (Church Hall) |
|  | 19:30 | Bingo (Church Hall) |

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| Wed |  | Café after morning Mass (Church Hall) |

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| Thu | 10:30 | Mother and Toddler Group (Church Hall) |
|  | 13:00 | Friendship Group (Church Hall) |
|  | 19:40 | RCIA after evening Mass (Church House) |

***All Welcome***

# forthcoming services, events and activities

## Foodbank collection

This Weekend of 4th/5th March

## Children’s Mass

This Sunday, 5th March at 11:00.

## Autism friendly Mass

Sunday, 12th March at 14:00.

# Other Notices

## Faith Sharing Group

The first meeting of our Faith sharing group is this Wednesday, 8th March at 19:00 in the Oratory. We hope to see you there!

## Second Collections

Next week there will be a retiring collection for retired and infirm clergy. The following week there will be a retiring collection for SCIAF.

## Candles

Candles can be bought this weekend for Mothers’ Day. These can then be brought back to be blessed on the weekend of Mother’s Day (19th March) at all Masses. You can then either leave them on the altar or take them away for someone special.

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 14th to 21st July 2023.Further details: https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/diocese-of-motherwell

## Kevin Kirby – Candidacy

On Saturday, Kevin will be formally accepted by Bishop Toal as a candidate for Deacon. This will be at Mass in Saint Vincent de Paul’s at 11:00. You are all warmly invited to attend, and I would encourage you to do so. (There will be Mass here as usual at 10:00 for those who can’t make the 11:00 Mass).

## Padre Pio Healing Mass

Fr Bryan Shortall OFM Cap, Director of the Padre Pio Apostolate in Ireland, will celebrate the Padre Pio Healing Mass, followed by individual blessing with the mit/glove of Padre Pio, in St Augustine’s Church in Coatbridge on Wednesday, 22nd March at 19.00.

## St Andrew’s Hospice – Make a Will Month – March 2023

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 or update an existing Will and waive their legal fee, in return for a donation to St Andrew’s Hospice.

For further information please email lorna.mccafferty@standrews.scot.nhs.uk or call her on 01236 772087, or visit www.st-andrews-hospice.com.