OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

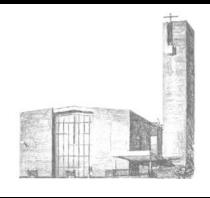
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PALM SUNDAY - YEAR A 1st and 2nd April 2023

Mon	10:00	Devotions
Tue	10:00	Mass
	17:30-19:00	Confessions
Wed	10:00	Mass
	17:30-19:00	Confessions

EASTER TRIDIUM - YEAR A Thursday 6th to Sunday 9th April 2023

Holy Thursday			
No morning Mass in the Church			
11:00	Chrism Mass in Motherwell Cathedral		
19:00	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER		
21:30	Night Prayer		

Good Friday		
10:00	Morning Prayer	
15:00	LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION	
19:00	Stations of the Cross	

Holy Saturday			
10:00	Morning Prayer		
20:30	EASTER VIGIL		

Easter Sunday		
09:00	Mass	
11:00	Mass	

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Sunset on Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday is considered the most solemn part of the liturgical year. These three days are referred to as the Easter Triduum. The word "triduum" comes from the Latin word triduum, which comes from tris ("three") + dies ("day"). The Triduum is one great festival recounting the last three days of Jesus' earthly life. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day.

HOLY THURSDAY

The Church's liturgy does not provide for any Mass on Holy Thursday other than the Chrism Mass and the Mass of the Lord's Supper, so there is no early Mass.

CHRISM MASS

This is a great diocesan celebration where the Bishop celebrates Mass and consecrates the oils used in the coming year for the sacraments of the Sick, Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. It is a special day for the clergy of the diocese who renew their commitment to their ministry.

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

We celebrate the institution of the Eucharist when our Lord gave us the gift of his very self in his body and blood. We also commemorate his command to serve, shown in the washing of feet.

GOOD FRIDAY

There is no Mass. Instead, the Passion of our Lord is recalled in a solemn liturgy, and the cross unveiled. We reverence the cross as we consider how great God's love for us is.

HOLY SATURDAY

The Easter Vigil is a Mass rich in symbolism as we move from the darkness of Good Friday to light with the Easter Fire and the Paschal Candle. We remember God's saving action in history and celebrate our own Baptism when we became children of the Father and heirs to his salvation.

EASTER WEEK

Unfortunately, the supply priest that had been arranged for while Fr Frank is in Lourdes had to call off at short notice. We have been unable to find a priest for weekdays. However, Fr Tony Fernandes, a Salesian priest from England, will travel north to celebrate the weekend Masses. Weekday services as follows:

- Easter Monday: 10:00 Devotions.
- Easter Tuesday: No service.
- Easter Wednesday: 10:00 Eucharistic Service.
- Easter Thursday: No service.
- Friday: 10:00 Eucharistic Service.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

ISAIAH 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult: I know I shall not be shamed

PSALM 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11

Christ humbled himself but God raised him high

MATTHEW 26:14-27:66

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED

Jim Mouat (funeral Tuesday, 18th April at 10.30), John Canning, Fiorina Keenan, Frances Brownlie, Maureen Janaway (France) and Betty Aitken.

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES John Kirby, Charlie O'Kane, Jim McGee, Annie McGrattan, Eileen Ferns, Kenny Tierney, Rose Douglas, Rosie McLean, Cissie and William Cameron, Michael and Molly O'Hagen and Family.

THE SICK

Tom Walton, Moira Murphy, Baby Rory Love, Lesley Gourlay and Johnny Martin.

MESSAGE FROM FR GILHOOLEY

Thank you to the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes who sponsored my participation in this year's HCPT CYCLE 2023 from Versailles to Lourdes this Saturday.

Unfortunately, during a week's fair-weather training in Spain, I had an accident, breaking my collar bone, my breast bone, plus seven ribs, and puncturing my right lung, thus rendering my participation in this year's event impossible.

The event, however, still goes on with some 20 cyclists from all over the UK and Ireland taking part, not least among them a young husband and father, Ed McMahon, from Motherwell, who, despite undergoing major surgery at Christmas, and having limited opportunity for outdoor training since then, will participate. I ask for your thoughts and prayers for him and all the participants during Holy Week.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Cash offerings	£1,295
Envelopes	£244
Standing Orders	£905
Estimated Gift Aid	£265
	£2,709

The stall received **£60** and the votives **£149**. Thank you.

NEW COLLECTION ENVELOPES

These will be available to collect after Mass this weekend. The first collection using the new envelopes will be for Holy Places on Good Friday.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

NEXT CHILDREN'S MASS

This Sunday, 2nd April at 11:00.

NEXT AUTISM FRIENDLY MASS

This Sunday, 2nd April at 14:00.

NEXT FOODBANK COLLECTION

This weekend, 1st and 2nd April, to cover the Easter period. As ever, thank you so much for your sustained support.

SIGN UP MEETING FOR OLOL HIKING CLUB

Thursday 6th April at 19:30 in the Church Hall (Tea/Coffee).

GOOD FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS WALK

Friday 7th April starting at 09:00 at St Vincent's and organised by the Legion of Mary. Walking to each of the other East Kilbride parishes, praying the mysteries of the Rosary on the way, and the Stations of the Cross at each church. It will finish at St Leonard's around midday. All are welcome to walk all or part of this.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Easter Sunday, 9th April after the 11:00 Mass in the church grounds. All children are welcome to come and tear the place apart looking for chocolate!

FORTHCOMING HIKING CLUB WALKS

Saturday 15th April. Low Level: Dunkeld Circular via Mill Dam. High Level: Dunkeld Circular via Rotmell Wood and Mill Dam. Contact Charles Croser for more information 01355 222464.

CABARET NIGHT IN AID OF SPUC

Friday, 12th May in the Church Hall from 19.30 to 23:30, featuring the fantastic Studio 32 and will be in the hall. Tea/Coffee, Sandwiches, Cakes, BYOB and Bingo. Tickets £10.