

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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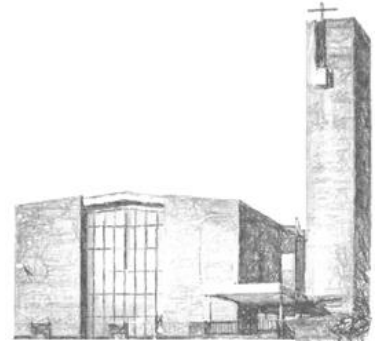
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B 9th and 10th March 2024

Mon	10:00	Mass
	19:00	Stations of the Cross
Tue	10:00	Mass
Wed	10:00	Mass
Thu	10:00	Mass
	18:00 – 19:00	Confessions
	19:00	Mass
Fri	07:00	Mass
	10:00	Mass
	15:00	Lenten Holy Hour
Sat	09:00 - 09:45	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09:15 - 09:45	Confessions
	10:00	Mass
	16:15 - 16:45	Confessions

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B 16th and 17th March 2024

	17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sun	09:00	Sunday Mass
	11:00	Sunday Mass

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Today's Gospel ends by reminding us that everything is "done in God", a powerful phrase that embraces both God's restoration of the exiles from Babylon and God's continued liberation from darkness through Jesus as he speaks to Nicodemus. Paul stresses that God's surrounding love and mercy is "for all ages".

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

2CHR 36:14-16, 19-23

The wrath and mercy of God are revealed in the exile and in the release of his people.

PS 136 R. 6

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!

EPH 2:4-10

You who were dead through your sins have been saved through grace.

JOHN 3:14-21

God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK

Margaret Donnelly, Joe Stewart.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Barry Ferguson, Jack Antolica and Joe Moran.

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Frank Brien, Francis Bradley, James Brannigan, Monsignor Thomas O'Hare, Ann Barton, Louise Morrison, Desmond McMahon, Sadie McGrotty, Francis Doyle, Annie Faherty and Thomas Flaherty.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Offertory cash	£1,418
Offertory Envelopes	£263
Standing Orders	£905
Estimated Gift Aid	£265
	£2,851

The stall received **£40**, votives **£171**.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND

AUTISM FRIENDLY MASS

This Sunday, 10th March, 14:00.

SCIAF SUNDAY

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is often known as SCIAF Sunday because we support the work of our own Catholic Aid agency through our prayers as well as financially. The box will be in the porch to receive any contributions you may wish to make, with proceeds going to help Gaza.

MOTHER'S DAY

We wish a happy Mother's Day to all the mothers of the parish.

Candles will be on sale (£1) for mothers and someone special. Light your candles and place them on Our Lady's Altar where Father Kenny will bless them. You can then take them home or leave them on the Altar.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

FIRST CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 12th March at 18:00. The P3 children from OLOL Primary School will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time.

FUTURE EVENTS AND SERVICES

ST PATRICK'S DAY COFFEE MORNING

On Sunday, March 17th, after the 11:00 Mass, the Caritas Candidates are putting on a coffee morning to celebrate St Patrick's Day. Although donations are not necessary, any made will help support the Legion of Mary Wayside Club in Glasgow. Please come along and enjoy.

THE SEASON OF LENT

Lent has now begun, and I encourage everyone to make the best of this sacred springtime in all our lives to help us grow in our relationship with God. In addition to the usual services there will be:

- Monday at 19:00, Stations of the Cross
- Friday at 07:00, Holy Mass
- Friday 15:00, A Holy Hour

OTHER NOTICES

LOURDES TRIP

Following discussions between Robert Kinghorn and me, our planned pilgrimage to Lourdes is still on, staying at HCTP's Hosanna House.

Robert will contact HCPT and Hosanna House concerning costs, flights and accommodation. Once we have these details, we will arrange a meeting of all those concerned to complete the necessary forms at that meeting to be returned to HCPT. Travelling with HCPT will keep insurance costs down.

THURSDAY EVENINGS

I will be available on Thursdays from 16:30 to 18:30 and from 19:30 to 21:00. People can drop in at these times for any reason, starting this week.

As a result, confessions will start 15 minutes later at 18:30 to 19:00.

BISHOP FRANK DOUGAN

Congratulations to the new Bishop of Dumfries and Galloway, our former parish Priest, Frank Dougan. We wish him a very happy episcopate in the ancient See of St. Ninian of Scotland.

Our Lady of Lourdes was well represented at the Ordination, and I am confident that Bishop Frank will have the prayers of parishioners for many years to come.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

The most important days of the Church year will soon be upon us. The smooth running of these days requires many volunteers for reading, washing of feet, preparation of the Church and so on. Please be generous with your time and please attend as much of the Triduum as you can.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Belated Happy Birthday to Isabel Whitters who recently celebrated her 90th Birthday. Many happy returns!

THE FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Another truly remarkable level of generosity from you this month with 10 bags and £3,030 being donated to our Foodbanks. These figures are incredible and are enabling both Foodbanks to continue to operate at increasing levels of demand. Thank you so much for all of this and especially as we move towards Easter. The Community Foodbank received all the bags and £1,530 with Loaves & Fishes receiving £1,500.

On a related topic - the Community Foodbank that operates from Calderwood Baptist Church has its warehouse/nerve centre located in leased premises in the NEL. It is now under notice to vacate these by the end of this month since the building is being demolished. As yet they have no alternative accommodation and are rather desperate. If anyone knows of an area within the town of approximately 2000 square feet that may be available, could you please contact karen@calderwoodbaptist.co.uk.