# **OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH**

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B 16 <sup>th</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2024			
Mon	10:00	Mass	
	19:00	Stations of the Cross	
Tue	10:00	Mass	
Wed	10:00	Mass	
Thu	10:00	Mass	
	18:30 - 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	
PALM SUNDAY - YEAR B			
23 <sup>rd</sup> and 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2024			
	17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday	
Sun	09:00	Sunday Mass	
	11:00	Sunday Mass	

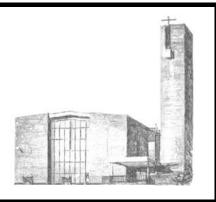
# THIS WEEK'S READINGS

 $\frac{\text{EZEKIEL 37:12-14}}{\text{I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live}}$ 

<u>PSALM 129(130)</u> With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

<u>ROMANS 8:8-11</u> The Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you

JOHN 11:1-45 I am the resurrection and the life.



# STATEMENT ON MGR THOMAS MILLAR

I wish to share with you difficult information about Mgr Millar, who has not been exercising public ministry since November 2021.

He has been charged with non-recent abuse, and a report has been sent to the Procurator Fiscal.

The Diocese is not able to comment further but will continue to uphold its mandatory Duty of Care, while encouraging anyone who has experienced abuse in a church setting to contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. All allegations, including non-recent ones, are referred to Police Scotland.

If you have any concerns please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Office on: <u>veronicamckenna@rcdom.org.uk</u> or 01698 269114 (Option 3 for Safeguarding).

I ask your prayers, especially as we approach Holy Week, for all affected by this matter.

With my prayers and best wishes,

Yours in Christ,

+Joseph Toal

# PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK Nora Houston.

<u>RECENTLY DECEASED</u> Tony Conway, Ian Coburn.

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Louise Morrison, Rena, Rose & Jane Fox, Rose Tierney, May McKeown, Frank & Mary McWilliams, Teresa Woodside, Ann Little, Christina Samson, Helen & Patrick Boyce, Fiorina Keenan, Frances Doyle.

# **REFLECTION ON THE READINGS**

Today's readings give us two ways of getting to know Jesus better: Jeremiah's way is through the clearing away of sin in a renewed Covenant-relationship. Jesus' way is for us to look upon him when he becomes "lifted up" in glory (or "strung up" on a gibbet ... John's pun).

#### **COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU**

	£2,680
Estimated Gift Aid	£265
Standing Orders	£905
Offertory Envelopes	£273
Offertory cash	£1,237

The stall received £35, votives £196.

#### SCIAF SUNDAY

Last week's collection for sick and retired priests raised **£2,970.** Thank you for your generosity. If you took a 'wee box' then please return it for Holy Thursday.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND

# 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.

#### FUTURE EVENTS AND SERVICES

#### **DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENING**

Palm Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March, an evening of preparation for young people at 19:30. This will be a prayerful preparation for Holy Week and all young people are welcome to attend.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

Easter Sunday for all children after the 11.00 MAS. Mum's and dad's allowed too, to join in with the fun. Come along and have some fun searching for the eggs, when you find one in the garden bring it back into the porch where you will then get another cream egg. Please just take 1 egg so that there is enough for everyone. Mum's and dad's allowed too, to join in with the fun. Eggs are courtesy of the Society of St Vincent De Paul.

#### SEVEN DRUNKEN NIGHTS

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, Kings Theatre, 19:30. A list is in the porch if you wish to book a seat. Also a separate list will be for the bus which will be extra.

#### HAPPY HOLIDAYS

To Deacon Bill, who, along with his wife, leaves for a six-week holiday in Australia on Tuesday of this week.

# THE SEASON OF LENT

There are only a few days of Lent left to all of us. We need to use them well so that they will be a real time of conversion for us. See above for special Lenten services.

## FIRST CONFESSIONS:

Congratulations to the P3 pupils of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary who celebrated the First Reconciliation on Tuesday past.

## **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.The week we are hoping to be in Lourdes is either from 7<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> October, or 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> October since, flight costs should be a lot cheaper than the school week of 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> October.

#### 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.

# 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. The Holy week program will be available next week.

#### HELP YOURSELF TO BOOKS

For the next few weeks there will be a box of religious books at the back of the Church labelled "Please help yourself." This week there are books of general interest and a small collection of books on Pope Francis.

#### MUSIC AND STORY WORKSHOP

Takes place on Sunday at 2pm in Westwood Parish Church. Lots of info is available on their website and all are welcome to attend.