



The Catholic Parish of St. Patrick's

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 20th February 2022 Year 'C

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Sunday - 20th

6pm - Vigil Mass
8-9.20am - Exposition
9:30am - Holy Mass
11.30am - Holy Mass

Monday - 21st - St. Peter Damien

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9:30am - Holy Mass

Tuesday - 22nd - St Peter's Chair

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9:30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday - 23rd - St. Polycarp

6-7pm - Expo & Confession
7pm - Holy Mass

Thursday - 24th

8-9am - Exposition
9am - Holy Mass

Friday - 25th

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9:30am - Holy Mass

Saturday - 26th - Our Lady

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9:30am - Holy Mass
10-10.30am - Confessions
5.15- 5.45pm - Confessions
6pm - Vigil Mass

Rosary 20mins before Mass exc. Sun

Your Cash Gifts to God and His Church

Last weekend's cash offertory donations **£913** and Fabric **£160**. Once again, many thanks for your ongoing generosity.

Prayers are requested for all our sick, elderly, and housebound.

Parish events this week

Sun 10.30am - Tea / coffee in hall
12.45pm - Youth Group Trip
Mon 10am - Tea / coffee in hall
10.30am - Men's Group
2pm - Women's Guild
6pm - Tour of the Church - P3
Wed 12pm - Welcome Group
7.30pm - New Hall/Social Comm.
Thu 6.30pm - Youth Group
8pm - Fabric Committee Meet.

Please note that on **Thursday of this week, Mass will be at the earlier time of 9am**, as both priests will be attending their annual Safeguarding Training Day in Edinburgh with the Archbishop and all the other clergy of the Archdiocese.

We pray for the repose of the souls of Harry Furay who will be received into church on Thursday 24th at 5pm and Requiem at 9.30am on Friday. Rosaleen Kerr will be received into church on Monday 28th at 5pm and Requiem on Tuesday at 9.30am.

Ash Wednesday 2nd March is the beginning of Lent. Details of Masses and Services available next week.

Update on New Hall/Social Committee

Several parishioners have kindly offered and agreed to be a part of the new hall/social committee. We would still like a few more people. If you have the time, talent, and energy to assist in the social life of the parish you would be very welcome. **The meeting will take place this Wednesday after the 7pm Mass in the hall.**

Safeguarding update from Marie Brady, Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator Following on from the annual Safeguarding Statement, I would like to highlight the forthcoming dates for the Archdiocese Safeguarding training via Zoom. Induction part 1:

Tuesday 1st March at 7.00pm or Saturday 19th March at 10.00am.

Booking can be arranged by contacting: Margaret.andow@outlook.com

There may be an opportunity to arrange one of these sessions in our hall - this is still to be confirmed. It is essential that all volunteers keep their Safeguarding training up to date. There are several parishioners who require a PVG update so it is important that they contact me in the coming weeks at marie.brady@staned.org.uk I also propose to attend various Parish groups soon to support any volunteers in meeting their PVG requirements.

Parish Draw takes place this week. Good luck to all members.

St Patrick's Evening will be held in the hall on **Saturday March 19th**. Choice of food Irish Stew or Colcannon & Ham then Sponge with Custard or Meringue with fruit. Tickets will be available from a member of the **Men's Group** at the end of next weekend Masses. Please only put your choice of food down when you have your paid ticket. **Tickets £10 and BYOB.**

Blessed Palms if you would like to return your palms, please do so, by placing them in the basket on the table at the back of the church. Thank you.

Holy Water may now be used by those who wish as they enter and leave church. Hands should be sanitised before contact with the Holy Water and the Holy Water will be changed regularly.

Obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays of Obligation will be reinstated from **Sunday 6th March 2022**, the first Sunday in Lent. In accordance with the common teaching of the Church this obligation does not bind those in serious ill health from attending Mass. Nor, in the context of Covid, does it bind those showing symptoms of the virus or with underlying health conditions, or those with responsibilities for people in need of special care.

Day by Day & The Catholic Magazine are available at the back of the church.

Daily Readings can be found online at Universalis (handy if you have your mobile at Mass) You can also buy the app which gives commentaries on the readings. It is an excellent app.

St. Patrick's Cards & Mother's Day Cards are in stock in the Piety Stall along with other lovely items. Have a wander in.

Parish Synod Meeting Thank you to all those who attended the meeting last Sunday. Your presence and contributions were greatly appreciated. Fr Daniel would like to thank the coordinators and the support team. All feedback will be sent the archdiocese and assist the parish in future planning.

Our Lady of Fatima Statue to take home for a week. Simply put your name beside the date required and it can remain at your home for one week, from Saturday to Saturday.

Baptisms if you would like to arrange for your child's baptism, can you collect a Baptismal Pack from the display unit at the back of the church and return completed registration form to the parish house. The next baptism course for all parents is **Wednesday 2nd March at 7.45pm in the hall**. Please email parish to register your attendance.

Vacancy The Archdiocese is recruiting an **Adviser in Religious Education (primary schools)**. While the post is full-time, applicants looking for part-time or flexible working patterns are also encouraged to apply. Please see archedinburgh.org.uk/news-events for full details.

Weddings Are you planning to marry this year? You should give you parish priest at least six months' notice before the date of your wedding. Marriage preparation course dates are now available for the Archdiocese at: archedinburgh.org/pastoral-governance/marriage-families or irene.furlong@staned.org.uk

CAP JOB CLUBS can assist you on your job seeking journey. Join a friendly community and gain skills to step confidentiality into employment. See notice for further details.

Events for married/engaged couples
The Archdiocese is hosting events for married and engaged couples in the lead up to the 10th World Meeting of Families (Rome 22-26 June). They are for couples to come before the Lord together in reflection on the beautiful Catholic vision of marriage and family life, thanksgiving for the gift of this calling and prayer for the blessing of their love. Reflections from Pope Francis' Encyclical *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love). Register at bit.ly/ArchEventbrite

Sunday 6th March 2022, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, 4.00-5.00pm - Holy Hour with Archbishop Leo Cushley.

Sunday 3rd April 2022, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, 4.00-5.30pm - Testimony and Holy Hour with Anton and Angela Colella.

Sunday 8th May 2022, Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, 3.00-5.30pm - Afternoon Retreat with Brian and Maureen Devine.

Wednesday 18th May 2022, St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, 7.00pm - Mass for Married and Engaged Couples.

7th Sunday's Sacred Scripture

First Reading **1 Samuel 26:2,7-9**
Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph.

In the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul lying asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt? The Lord forbid that I should raise my hand against the Lord's anointed! But now take the spear beside his head and the pitcher of water and let us go away.' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. He called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

Second Reading **1 Corinthians 15:45-49**
The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

Gospel **Luke 6:27-38**
Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.
'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'