



The Catholic Parish of St. Patrick's

Fourth Sunday in Lent - 27th March 2022

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Fourth Sunday of Lent - 27th

6pm - Vigil Mass
8-9.20am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass
11.30am - Holy Mass
4pm - Lectio Divina

Monday - 28th

8am - Holy Mass
8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass
6pm - Stations & Holy Communion

Tuesday - 29th

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday - 30th

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

Thursday - 31st

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Requiem Mass

Friday - First Friday - Sacred Heart

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Requiem Mass
10am - Divine Mercy
3pm - Divine Mercy
3.15pm - Stations of the Cross

Saturday - First Saturday - 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

Special Collection next weekend for SCIAF and Episcopal Charities. If you have Gift Aid envelopes, will you please use.

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

Parish events this week

Sun 10.30am - Tea / coffee in hall
Mon 10am - Tea / coffee in hall
10.30am - Men's Group
2pm - Women's Guild
6.45pm - Video on Confession
7-8pm - Choir
Wed 12pm - Welcome Group
7.30pm - Finance Committee Mtg
Thu 10am - Video on Confession
6.30pm - Youth Group
Fri 1pm - Brasso'ing

We pray for the repose of the souls of

Philip Veza be received into church on Wednesday at 6pm and Requiem on Thursday at 9.30am.

Mary Campbell will be received into church on Thursday at 5pm and Requiem on Friday at 9.30am.

Harry Coyle will be received into church on Wednesday 6th April at 6pm and Requiem on Thursday at 9.30am.

Meeting for Readers today, Sunday from 3-4pm in the hall.

Returning to Confession we will be showing an excellent video, in the hall, about the beautiful Sacrament of Penance. Do you struggle going to Confession? Is it important to you? This video will show us how essential Confession is for us in our journey of faith and why we should try and go on a regular basis. Please try and attend either on Monday at 6.45pm or on Thursday at 10am (with tea and toast!).

New Gift Aid Envelopes: are at the back of the church. These envelopes are to be used as of 10th April. Please collect after Mass. For those parishioners who pay Standing Order and use an envelope for either 'Special Collection' or 'Building Fund' they are at the back. If you do Gift Aid and you would like envelopes for 'Special Collections', please contact the chapel house. Many thanks.

Parish Minibus for 26 years we have provided a voluntary service to many parishioners who would be unable to attend church services. In the past we have had many kind people volunteering however now we only have two drivers, and one will be retiring shortly. We are now desperate for volunteers to give a couple of hours on a Sunday on a Rota basis to drive the minibus. If you are under 70 and have a clean driving license with a D1 category on it, will you please consider this? Men and women can apply, and training can be arranged if necessary. **Contact Anne on 07740676781 or 822500.**

Parish Draw will take place this week. Good luck to all who have numbers!

Bulletin if you would like to receive newsletter by email then visit <https://www.saintpatrickskilsyth.com/parish-bulletin>

Parish Annual Financial Statement available at the back of the church, and on the reverse is a letter from the Bishops' Conference regarding Ukraine.

Pastoral Letter from Bishop Toal is available at the back of the church.

Lent Prayer/Reflection Material Please have a look in the alcove where you will find a great selection of reading/ reflection material including Stations of the Cross for adults and children and also the Seven Last Words of Jesus. There are other books for children. Please don't remove these books from the chapel.

SCIAF Coffee Morning today, Sunday from 10am-1pm in the church hall. Cost £2.50 is payable at the door. Proceeds will go to SCIAF's work in Malawi and Ukraine.

SCIAF Ukraine Appeal As well as prayers please consider supporting this appeal. Donations can also be made at sciaf.org.uk/ To find out how the Catholic Church is helping those in Ukraine see <https://www.caritas.org/>

Lourdes Pilgrimage takes place from 8-15 July and will be led by Archbishop Cushley. Details at edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes22

Happy Mother's Day best wishes and blessings on all our mothers and grandmothers in our parish, not forgetting those who have gone before us. Remember there are a great selection of cards and gifts available in the Piety Stall.

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church. Offertory for £732 and Fabric £131.

Lectio Divina every Sunday of Lent at 4pm in the church.

SCIAF WEE BOX Update On this SCIAF Sunday, we pray for all mothers around the world - that they may realise how special they are to us, their children. We thank you Lord for giving us this precious gift and we thank mothers for the love, care and understanding they have given to us. We especially give thanks for mothers in Malawi who, despite living in poverty, are providing their children with love and support they need to survive Visit sciaf.org.uk/resources.

A prayer for peace in Ukraine

O Loving God, your Son, Jesus Christ, came into the world to do your Will and leave us His Peace. Through the intercession and example of our Blessed Mother Mary, Queen of Peace, grant us the wisdom and humility to reflect that peace to the world. Inspire our thoughts, words and deeds to bear witness to your presence in our hearts. May your Holy Spirit fill us with every grace and blessing so that we may pursue what leads to peace for all humanity. Amen

Parish Fundraising if you shop online then you can help to raise funds for the parish. It's FREE, you shop online as normal and the Parish gets a donation every time you spend, it doesn't matter if it is a small or large purchase every penny counts. So far 78 people have helped us raise over £300. To join all you need is an email address. Visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> to create an account. Over 4,300 retailers take part in this.

Lent – Pro- Life Stations of the Cross

takes place online throughout Lent, each Tuesday on Zoom at 7.45pm. Reflection from Fr Michael John Galbraith, St James', St Andrews. Pray with clergy and parishioners from across the Archdiocese for mothers, unborn children, and all pro-life intentions. Register bit.ly/prolifeevents

Lent with St Paul by Fr. Andrew Garden is a 30-minute talk at 7.30pm on 28th March and 4 April. Father explores insights and advice from St Paul to help us prepare for Easter. Watch live on the YouTube Channel of the Archdiocese at bit.ly/ArchYouTube

Event for Married Couples a testimony and reflection for married and engaged couples will be held next Sunday at 4pm in the Gillis Centre. To register and find out more see Archdiocesan website.

Monthly African & Caribbean Mass

next Sunday at 1pm in St Patrick's, Cowgate, Edinburgh. It will be concelebrated by several of our African clergy, and all are welcome!

Online Premier of Margaret Sinclair Story broadcast on Tuesday at 7.00pm The Story of Venerable Margaret Sinclair, is vividly brought to life in this docu-drama. Watch lives on <https://youtu.be/7LYFhRoRpz8> After it there will be a Zoom chat from 8pm at <https://zoom.us/j/96814393754>

Monthly Archdiocesan Mass for Vocations

Pray that more young people respond to God's call to the priesthood and religious life next Tuesday 6.30pm in SS John Cantius and Nicholas, Broxburn.

Confession

Please take the time in Lent to go to Confession to help you prepare for Easter. Our confession times are printed in this newsletter. The Archdiocese has put together a helpful guide about returning to confession if you haven't been for a while, which addresses common fears and misconceptions about the beautiful sacrament of penance. Watch it on YouTube: bit.ly/archconfessionvideo

Sunday Sacred Scripture Readings

First Reading

Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.' The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover, they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

Second Reading **2 Corinthians 5:17-21**

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So, we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is being reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

Gospel

Luke 15:1-3,11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said, 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So, he spoke this parable to them: 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father,

"Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So, the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So, he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.'"