



St Patrick's Catholic Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter, 30th April 2023

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6pm - Vigil Mass
8.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass
11.30am - Holy Mass

Monday - St Joseph the Worker

9.30am - Holy Mass
6pm - May Devotions

Tuesday - St Athanasius

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday - Ss Philip & James

6pm - Exposit & Confession
7pm - Holy Mass

Thursday 4th Week in Eastertide

8.30 - 9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Friday - First Friday

8.30 - 9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass
6.00pm - Vigil of Reception

Saturday - First Saturday

9.30am - Requiem Mass
10 - 10.30am - Confessions
5 - 5.15pm - Confessions
6pm - Vigil Mass

Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc. Sun

Parish Draw takes place this week. All the best!

Of Your Charity, pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Mrs Mary McAtee** RIP of Anton Crescent who has died aged 75 years. Her remains will be received into the church on **Friday at 6pm with the Requiem on Saturday at 9.30am.** ✠*Requiescat in pace*✠

May is the month of Mary during this month on **Mondays, Exposition, Rosary & Benediction will be in the evening from 6 - 6.30pm.** This week our prayer intention is: Vocations to the Priesthood in this Archdiocese. You cannot have God as your Father if you do not have Mary as your Mother. *Ave Maria!*

Thanks to those who helped to prepare the *confirmandi*, those who helped with the liturgy and all who helped in the hall after the confirmations last Sunday. It all went very well thanks to those who help out and give so generously of their time. Congratulations to all those who received the Sacrament too! The Church expects great things from you!

Prayers are requested for all our sick, elderly, and housebound. **Remember that the church is open every day for visits to the Blessed Sacrament.**

Asperges at the Sunday 11.30am Masses during Eastertide we will have the Sprinkling Rite at the 11.30am Mass. This takes the place of the Penitential Rite at Mass. The Priest blesses salt and water and sprinkles us with it as a reminder of our baptism while the choir sings the antiphon 'I saw water flowing from the Temple.' The *Gloria* begins after this has concluded.

Penitential Rite at Mass during Eastertide, instead of the *Confetior*, we will have the shorter penitential rite:
Priest: Have Mercy on us, O Lord
People: For we have sinned against You
Priest: Show us, O Lord Your mercy
People: And grant us Your salvation
Priest: May almighty God have mercy...

You will find this easily in your missal or on the Mass text cards available at the back.

The Apostles' Creed during Eastertide, instead of the usual Nicene Creed, we will say the Apostles' Creed. This is a more ancient version of the Creed that we are allowed to use at Mass.

The Baptismal Course for parents and godparents is on **Wednesday, from 7.30 - 8.30pm in the hall.** Email the chapel house to book.

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
6pm - May Devotions
Tue 10am - Visitation Meeting
Wed 12 noon - Welcome Group
7.30pm - Baptismal Course
Thu 6.30pm - Youth Group
Fri 2pm - Tea & Biscuits
Sat 8.30am - First Holy Communicants workshop

Parish Summer Camp this year's parish Youth Summer Camp (**10 - 15 years**) is from **24th - 27th July.** It will be held at the beautiful **Ampleforth Abbey** in Yorkshire. It has great accommodation, food, grounds, and facilities. **The cost is £160 for full board and transport with subsidies available.** You can pick up forms from the chapel house. **Places are limited!**

Dates for the Diary

May 3rd - Baptism Meeting
May 6th - First Holy Communion Workshop
May 13th - First Holy Communion
May 18th - Bereavement Meeting
June 2nd - Family Quiz Night
June 8th - Solemnity of the Ascension
June 9th - Forty Hours' Adoration
June 17th - Parish Day Out to Pitlochry
June 18th - Pilgrimage to Dunfermline
June 24th - Parish BBQ & Bingo
June 25th - Blessing of the Graves

Your Gift to God and His Church which includes standing orders: **£1,696** and Ecclesiastical Students' Fund **£593.** May God bless you abundantly for your support of His Church's vital work of making Jesus Christ present in the world and known.

First Holy Communion the Presentation of the Gospel will take place at the end of all the Sunday Masses this weekend. The First Holy Communicants with their parents should line up along the altar step after the final prayer. Please be sure to pick up the sheet from the back **before** Holy Mass begins.

Parish Day Out to Pitlochry and Perth

Saturday, 17th June. Bus leaves at 10am and arrives in Pitlochry at 11.20am, departing at 1.20pm to Perth, arriving at 2pm. The Royal George Hotel on the River Tay is reserved for High Tea at 4pm. The cost is the same as last year: **£20 per adult and £10 for children.** There is a good selection on the menu as you will see at the back. Kindly add your name to the list and hand the money into the sacristy or chapel house.

St Margaret's Pilgrimage

to Dunfermline is on **Sunday, 18th June.** Leaving at 10.30am. The following optional events have been arranged for the day: 12.30pm - Ecumenical Service, Dunfermline Abbey; 1.00pm - Prayer at the original site of St Margaret's relics, Dunfermline Abbey; 2.30pm - Holy Mass in St Margaret's Church offered by Archbishop Cushley. Returning home at 4.30pm. List at the back of church to sign up.

The Holy Land 2025? we are looking at a parish trip to the Holy Land. We will have a meeting before the summer to gauge interest, talk about what we will do and the projected costs. This would be a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Preparing for Pentecost St Thomas Aquinas said that we cannot love what we do not know. Follow his lead in these online classes to explore the Holy Trinity starting this Tuesday.

Exploring Pentecost & The Holy Trinity with St Thomas Aquinas will help you get to know God better, allowing us to love Him and live in His presence day by day. Each one-hour Zoom session will help you prepare for two feasts at the end of Eastertide: Pentecost (28 May) and The Most Holy Trinity (4 June). Sessions are hosted by Sister Anna Marie McGuan RSM and Father Kevin Douglas. It is designed for people without a philosophical or theological background, but who want to know the Catholic faith better or who are just interested in what Christians believe and why. To register see the St Andrews & Edinburgh website.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SACRED SCRIPTURE

Entrance Antiphon

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 2:14-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22

R. The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;

there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures

where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,

to revive my drooping spirit.

R. The Lord is my shepherd...

He guides me along the right path;

he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;

with these you give me comfort.

R. The Lord is my shepherd...

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

R. The Lord is my shepherd...

Surely goodness and kindness shall
follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

R. The Lord is my shepherd...

Second Reading

1 Peter 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured, he made no threats, but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my own sheep and my own
know me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 10:1-10

Jesus said:

'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable, but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again: 'I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold. All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.