



St Patrick's Catholic Church

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, 21st APRIL 2024

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

Monday - 4th Week in Eastertide

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Tuesday - St George

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday - St Fidelis

6pm - Exposit & Confession
7pm - Holy Mass

Thursday - St Mark

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

Friday - 4th Week in Eastertide

9.30am - Requiem Mass
2.30pm - Mass at Craig en Goyne

Saturday - Our Lady

8.30 - 9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass
10 - 10.30am - Confessions
5 - 5.15pm - Confessions
6pm - Vigil Mass

Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc. Sun

Confirmations we welcome very warmly His Grace, the Archbishop. He will say the 11.30am Mass this Sunday at which he will confirm the P7 children. Remember them; their parents; sponsors; catechists and teachers in your prayers. When they receive the Holy Spirit by the anointing with Chrism, may the *confirmati* make Christ known in the world by living their lives according to their faith in the risen Christ.

Special Collection the second collection this weekend will be for the Ecclesiastical Students' Fund. Please use the Gift Aid envelopes if you have them.

No Hospitality after the 9.30am Mass this Sunday owing to the Confirmation teas.

Breakfast Roll Sundays! once a month, starting **next Sunday after the 9.30am** we will have ham and sausage breakfast rolls. Only £2 for a Sunday treat with your tea or coffee! Also, if you think you can help on these mornings, please let the chapel house know. We're on a role!

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

today we tell God of our great need for good priests to serve the Church, especially in this Archdiocese. May our families, parish and our schools be places where vocations can grow.

Of your charity, pray for the soul of **Mrs Jan McCann RIP**, latterly of Craig en Goyne, who has died aged 81 years. Mrs McCann's remains will come to the church on **Thursday at 6.00pm** with the **Requiem Mass on Friday morning at 9.30am.** +*Requiescat in pace*

Leave now that Father Moir has finished his "working holiday", Father Deeley will go away for a few days for an "actual holiday."

Your Gift to God and His Church which includes standing orders: **£1224**. May God bless you abundantly for your support of His Church's vital work of making Jesus Christ present in the world and known.

Parish Events this Week

Mon 10am - Tea / Coffee in hall
10.30am - Men's Group
2pm - Women's Guild
Tue 2pm - Soup & Sandwiches
Wed 12 noon - Welcome Group
Thu 6.30pm - Youth Group Outing
Fri 2pm - Soup & Sandwiches

Mass at Craig en Goyne this Friday. Note the new time of **2.30pm**. This is to allow more Catholic residents to attend the Sacrifice of the Mass.

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 Archbishop 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 a shorter penitential rite: It goes: 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 on us forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed during Eastertide, instead of the usual Nicene Creed, we will say the Apostles' Creed. At the 11.30am Mass the Creed is replaced by the *confirmandis'* renewal of baptismal promises - **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

Welcome and Prayers for Angel Marie Cassidy who was baptised into the faith of the Church last Sunday.

Reasons for Believing a **five-day conference for young Catholics aged, 16 to 30, 29th July – 1st August at Ampleforth Abbey.** If you are interested, speak to one of the priests. **Deadline for registering is 2nd July.** See too the posters and forms at the back. This is an excellent event.

Church Music there is an important meeting for everyone involved in our church music on **Monday, 13th May at 6.30pm**, after May Devotions, in the hall.

Next Baptismal Course for parents and godparents is on **Wednesday, 1st May, from 7 - 8pm in the hall.** Email the chapel house to book.

Save the Dates!

Apr 21st - Sacrament of Confirmation

May 11th - First Holy Communion

May 11th - Post Vigil Supper

May 25th - Bingo Night Fundraiser for YG

May 31st - 40 Hours' Adoration

Jun 2nd - *Corpus Christi* Procession in Falkirk

Jun 8th - Parish Day out to Largs

Jun 14th - Carlos Acutis Relics

Jun 22nd - Parish BBQ

Jun 23rd - St Margaret's Pilgrimage

Jun 30th - Blessing of the Graves

Jul 7th - Scalan Pilgrimage

Jul 29th - **2nd Aug.** Reasons for Believing Conference

Post Vigil Supper by popular demand we look forward to the return of 'Sapphire' on **Saturday, 11th May in the hall at 7pm.** There will be raffle prizes to be won and then singing and dancing. Remember to bring your own snacks and refreshments. £5 entry. Put names on the list at the back of the church as numbers are limited.

Corpus Christi Procession led by the Archbishop from the bandstand on Falkirk High Street through the town centre to St Francis Xavier's Church concluding with Benediction: **Sunday, 2nd June**, beginning at 2.30pm. First Communicants are encouraged to wear their dresses/sashes and servers should wear their soutanes, surplices, and St Cuthbert's medals. There is a sign-up sheet for the minibus.

Parish Day Out to Largs Saturday, 8th June. Bus will leave at 10.15am and arrive in Largs at 11.45am. We will then meet at the Willowbank Hotel at 4pm for high tea. As you are aware prices have increased and we have kept the cost the same for a number of years now but this year we need to increase the cost. **Adults £25 and children £15.** If a family would like to go, then please contact chapel house and we can offer you subsidy. There is a good selection on the food menu which also includes freshly baked scones & a selection of homemade cakes. If you would like to go then simply add your name to the list at the back of the church, select your choice of food and hand payment in to the sacristy or the chapel house. Booking will only be confirmed when payment has been made.

St Margaret's Pilgrimage to Dunfermline is on **Sunday, 23rd 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.

Scalan Pilgrimage between 1717 and 1799 over a hundred men were trained for the priesthood at the secret college of Scalan in the Braes of Glenlivet. These were the so-called 'heather priests.' The college was even disguised as a farmhouse to avoid detection by the Crown's Hanoverian forces. Each year there is a national pilgrimage to Scalan, and we hope to take the minibus from St Patrick's. This year it is on **7th July.** More details to follow.

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SACRED SCRIPTURE

[Always read through the scriptures prayerfully before Holy Mass].

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 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117

R. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men;

it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

R. The stone which...

I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

R. The stone which...

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; You are my God, I thank you.

My God, I praise you.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end.

R. The stone which...

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Gospel

John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd.

'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

Prayers of the Faithful Response

Lord hear us.

R. Lord graciously hear us.

Communion Antiphon

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