



St. Patrick's Catholic Church

Divine Mercy Sunday, 16th April 2023

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LOW or 'DIVINE MERCY' SUNDAY

6pm - Vigil Mass
 8.30am - Exposition
 9.30am - Holy Mass
 11.30am - Holy Mass
 3pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet
 Benediction &
 Confession

Monday 2nd Week in Eastertide

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
 9.30am - Holy Mass

Tuesday 2nd Week in Eastertide

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
 9.30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday 2nd Week in Eastertide

6pm - Exposit & Confession
 7pm - Holy Mass

Thursday 2nd Week in Eastertide

8.30 - 9.30am - Exposition
 9.30am - Holy Mass

Friday - St Anslem

8.30 - 9.30am - Exposition
 9.30am - Holy Mass

Saturday 2nd Week in Eastertide

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

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday from 3pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 3:45pm. Confessions during Exposition.

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
Tue 10am - Visitation Group
Wed 12 noon - Welcome Group
Thu 6.30pm - Youth Group
Fri 2pm - Tea & Biscuits
Sat 8.30am - Confirmation Workshop

No Hospitality after the 9.30am Mass next Sunday owing to the preparations for the Confirmation teas.

Welcome and Prayers for Arthur Kerr who was baptised into the faith of the Church on Easter Sunday.

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.

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, grounds, and facilities. It's also handy for our day trip to Flamingo Land. Save the dates. More details and sign up soon.

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 on us...
 You'll 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.

Next Baptismal Course for parents and godparents is on **Wednesday, 3rd May**, from 7.30 - 8.30pm in the hall. Email the chapel house to book.

Thank You to all who helped organise Easter hospitality in the hall.

Flowers for Easter thank you to all who kindly donated flowers to make the church look beautiful.

Of Your Charity, pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mr John Tennant RIP, formerly of John Wilson Drive, who has died aged 92 years. His remains will be received into church next Sunday at 5pm and Requiem on Monday 24 April at 9.30am. *+Requiescat in pace+*

Next Sunday His Grace, the Archbishop will say the 11.30am Mass. He will confirm the p7 children too. Remember them; their parents; sponsors; catechists and teachers in your prayers. When they receive the Holy Spirit, may the *confirmandi* make Christ known in the world by the way the live their lives.

Spring has Sprung Last year four men kindly volunteered their services to look after the grounds. **We could do with a few more volunteers.** If you can help, contact the chapel house.

Dates for the Diary

Apr 22nd - Confirmation Workshop
Apr 23rd - Sacrament of Confirmation
Apr 24th - Fabric Meeting
Apr 29th - Post Vigil Supper
Apr 30th - Presentation of the Gospel
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
June 24th - Parish BBQ & Bingo
June 25th - Blessing of the Graves

Your Gift to God and His Church which includes standing orders: **£1,679** and fabric fund **£494**. May God bless you abundantly for your support of His Church's vital work of making Jesus Christ present in the world and known.

Heartfelt Thanks to those who helped over the Triduum with the liturgies and decorated the church. Wonderful unseen work!

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

Post Vigil Supper all are welcome to come along to the hall on **Saturday, 29th April** after the Vigil Mass. Sign up on the sheet at the back and select fish/sausage or pudding supper. Pay at the door and bring your own refreshments!

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 is a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

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 is reserved for High Tea at 4pm. Although prices have increased, we have decided to keep the cost 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.

North Lanarkshire Council plans to change the entitlement of pupils to get free bus transport. It will have implications for those attending St Maurice's. It would start in the session 2024-25. There is a short online survey that parents can submit before **28th April** on our website and Facebook.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

SACRED SCRIPTURE

Entrance Antiphon

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading **Acts 2:42-47**

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.

The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 117**

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

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.'

R. Give thanks to the Lord...

I was thrust down, thrust down, and falling, but the Lord was my helper.

The Lord is my strength and my song; he was my saviour.

There are shouts of joy and victory.

in the tents of the just.

R. Give thanks to the Lord...

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

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

R. Give thanks to the Lord...

Second Reading **1 Peter 1:3-9**

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'
Alleluia!

Gospel **John 20:19-31**

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for

fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked, and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Communion Antiphon

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing. Alleluia!

