



The Catholic Parish of St. Patrick's

Third Sunday in Lent - 20th March 2022

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Third Sunday of Lent - 20th

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

Monday - 21st

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

Tuesday - 22nd

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday - 23rd

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

Thursday - 24th

8.30-9.30am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Friday - The Annunciation - 25th

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

Saturday - Our Lady - 26th

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

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
7-8pm - Choir
Wed 12pm - Welcome Group
Thu 6.30pm - Youth Group
Fri 1pm - Brasso'ing

Well done to the children who celebrated their First Confession, yesterday, Saturday.

Meeting for Readers in preparation for Holy Week will take place on **Sunday 27th March from 3-4pm** in the hall. If anyone would like to be a reader, you are very welcome to come to this meeting.

Are you free on Friday at 1pm? If you are at a loose end and want to do something for Lent, then please feel free to help with the clean the brasses for Easter!

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

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 licence 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.**

St. Patrick's School PTA Bingo Night on Friday in hall at 7pm. Tickets £15 and raffle £5 with a prize of overnight stay at Gleneagles Hotel for two. **Contact Susan on 07484251921 if you wish a ticket.**

Covid Restrictions Update

With restrictions being relaxed from Monday, the following are still to be observed.

- Continue to respect people's social distancing.
- Continue to cleanse hands.
- Continue to wear face masks

Thank you for your cooperation.

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 courses for all parents is **Wednesday 6th April at 7.45pm in the hall.** Please email parish to register your attendance.

Bulletin if you would like to receive newsletter by email then visit saintpatrickskilsyth.com/parish-bulletin

Additional Lenten Prayer/Reflection

Material Adult Station of the Cross; Children's Stations of the Cross and a short service of the Seven Last Words of Jesus are available in the alcove 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. There are also books for children. Please don't remove these books from the chapel.

SCIAF WEE BOX Update Care for our common home. This Lent SCIAF are asking you to get involved with their Acts of Hope challenge, encouraging you to change what you eat, how you travel, or how much you waste during Lent for the good of our climate and our Common Home. By doing so, this helps you stand in solidarity with those living on the front line of the Climate Emergency, in places such as Malawi. By getting involved - and remembering to donate to the SCIAF Wee Box appeal this Lent - you will help us change lives in some of the poorest countries in the world. Visit sciaf.org.uk/resources or call **0141 354 5555.**

Thank you for your gift to God and His Church. Offertory for **£752** and SCIAF Ukraine Appeal **£2902.**

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

Children's Liturgy has restarted on **Sunday at 11.30am Mass.** All primary school children welcome.

Mother's Day Cards are in stock in the Piety Stall along with other lovely items. Please drop in.

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

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

SCIAF Coffee Morning will take place on **Sunday 27th March from 10am-1pm** in the church hall. Cost £2.50 is payable at the door. All proceeds will go to SCIAF's work in Malawi and Ukraine.

Lent – Stations of the Cross the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Stations of the Cross takes place online throughout Lent, each Tuesday on Zoom at 7.45pm. It will feature a reflection from Archbishop Cushley. 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 the Archdiocese is hosting *Lent with St Paul – a Saint's guide to making the most of Lent*. It's a 30-minute talk at 7:30pm on 14, 21, 28 March and 4 April. Fr Andrews Garden (St David's, Dalkeith) explores insights and advice from St Paul to help us prepare for Easter. No need to register, watch live on the YouTube Channel of the Archdiocese at bit.ly/ArchYouTube

Parish Fundraising If you shop then you can now help to raise funds for St. Patrick's Parish, Kilsyth. 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 **76** people have helped us raise over **£301.12**. To join all you need is an email address. Visit easyfundraising.org.uk/ to create an account. Over 4,300 retailers take part in this.

Scottish Catholic the new magazine launched late last year is available at the back of the church. Please try and support this new lay initiative as it attempts to bring good news stories of what is happening around the different diocese in Scotland and beyond.

Apostleship of the Sea webinar

Catholic charity Stella Maris is hosting a webinar about modernisation in the shipping industry. Register at www.stellamaris.org.uk/modernisation to join online on Wednesday at 7.30pm to hear how shipping has changed.

Lourdes Pilgrimage Demand is expected to be high for this so booking soon. It takes place from 8-15 July and will be led by Archbishop Cushley. Details at edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes22

Third Sunday of Lent Sacred Scripture

First Reading Exodus 3:1-8,13-15

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am,' Moses answered. 'Come no nearer,' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your fathers,' he said, 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God. And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slavedrivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow, the home of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites.' Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to

tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "I Am has sent me to you."' And God also said to Moses, 'You are to say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

Second Reading 1 Corin 10:1-6,10-12

I want to remind you, brothers, how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert. These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer. All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

Gospel Luke 13:1-9

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.' He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied, "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.'"