

Saturday March 9th
9am - 3pm First Confessions
4.30 Confessions; 5.30 Vigil Mass
Sunday March 10th Lent week 4 (B)
Laetare Sunday
9.00am & 11.00 am Mass (with children's liturgy) 5.30pm Evening Mass
Monday March 11th 10am Parish Mass
10 - 11.30 Breakfast Club
7pm Deanery Meeting 'for the future'
Tuesday March 12th 10am Parish Mass
11.30 - 2.30 Tuesday Club
7pm - 9pm Wedding appointments
Wednesday March 13th
10am Parish Mass
5.30& 6.45 - Wedding appointments
Thursday March 14th
10am Parish Mass
10.30 - 2pm Warm Welcome (Hall)
7.00 SCIAF Poverty Supper then ...
7.45 Ben Wilson - SCIAF 2024 campaign

50th ANNIVERSARY

Friday March 15th 10am Parish Mass
1.15 Golden Jubilee Mass of St Mary's PS (With Archbishop Nolan and guests)
Saturday 16th March
10am Funeral Matthew Mullen RIP
4.30 Confessions; 5.30 Vigil Mass

Around the Diocese

Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 12th - 19th July. Go as a pilgrim or as one of the sick? See the poster in the porch with full details
Day of Confessions in St Andrew's Cathedral Fri 22nd Mar. Priests available all day, 9am - 5pm
Passion of Jesus in Music and Drama: FireCloud - using the accounts of the women with Christ to the end. All welcome. Tues 12th Mar St Patrick's, Old Kilpatrick; Mon 18th Mar St Patrick's, Anderston ; Mon 25th Mar HF & St Ninian's, Kirkintilloch (all @ 7pm)
Evening Prayer: Jesuit Community invite you to Ecumenical Evening Prayer on the feast of St John Ogilvie. St Aloysius, Garnethill, 4pm Sun 10th Mar. All welcome. Refreshments to follow.
Runway Theatre —including a number of parishioners are in Anything goes at Eastwood Park theatre, 14th - 18th May. See boards info
MORE INFO ON THESE ON NOTICE BOARDS
European Summer Camp with the Comboni Missionaries: This will take place in Roehampton, London, from 29 July – 6 August 2024.
Lenten Talk on Life & Work of Dorothy Day: co-founder Catholic Worker Movement, St Helen's Parish Hall, Langside, Wed 20th Mar 7pm.
Lenten Talk for Young Adults: "Prayer" Bishop John Keenan, Wed 13th Mar. 7.30pm for 8pm
Support Group for Catholic Women Affected by Separation and Divorce Fri, 12th April St Patrick's church hall, Dumbarton, 6pm to 8pm.

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Laetare Sunday

"Rejoice Sunday"

SCIAF

Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund

TODAY'S SCIAF COLLECTION—THE MOST IMPORTANT OF THE YEAR!



4th Sunday in Lent (B) or "Laetare"

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"All are welcome, none are judged"

LITURGY OF THE WORD
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT (B)



1st Reading; 2 Chronicles 36; vs verses
God's mercy is revealed in the liberation of his people

The Responsorial Psalm 136
O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not.

2nd Reading; Ephesians 2: 4 - 10
You have been saved through grace.

Gospel; John 3:14 –21
God sent his Son to that through Jesus the world might be saved

This mothers day why not turn to Mary, mother of our parish and pray for your mother



For Mothers Day

Thank you God for the love of our mothers: thank you God for their care and concern; thank you God for the joys they have shared with us; thank you God for the pains they have borne for us; thank you God for all that they give us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCIAF
Uniting to end poverty
Caritas Scotland

SCIAF has its main collection this Sunday. The campaign is to continue the healing of the woman of Rwanda, 30 years on from the genocide in their land. Ben Wilson, SCIAF's engagement officer, will be here for our poverty supper Thur 14th. Soup etc & available at 7; presentation 7.45; end by 8.30

Rwanda and Gaza. Read Ben Wilson's analysis of the links between the terrible Rwandan genocide of 1994 and the situation in Gaza today, yet also how the story of Rwanda is ultimately one of healing and recovery: www.sciaf.org.uk/about-us/news/639-two-tragedies-30-years-apart.

Budget give-aways won't help tackle poverty. The Poverty Alliance says National Insurance and Capital Gains Tax changes will give away huge amounts of money to the richest households, but are worth very little or nothing at all to the poorest households: www.povertyalliance.org/news.

Safe passage for refugees. Over 400 people have now died attempting to cross from France since 1999, yet it is possible to give refugees safe passage using an online screening process and issuing visas – worked for Ukraine; learn more and spread the word; www.care4calais.org/safepassage.

Nuclear weapons: Read why reducing the risk of nuclear war should be a key concern of our generation – immediate deaths, nuclear fallout and world famine from the nuclear winter; 12000 warheads still active; authoritative info at: www.ourworldindata.org/nuclear-weapons-risk.



Earth Hour 2024. Saturday March 23rd at 8 30 pm; care for our common home - one in nine species in Scotland is at risk of extinction with land use a leading cause; WWF urges us to join the Farm for Scotland's Future campaign; www.wwf.org.uk/scotland/earthhour#petition.





Congratulations to St Marys PS - celebrating the golden jubilee since the current school was opened. The Archbishop will preside at Mass next Friday (15th at 1.15) with the school, Lord Provost and many invited guests. Of course parishioners are welcome to attend - tho' it will be busy!

Sacraments of initiation for Adults (1) Blessed to have 11 to be received into the Church at Easter. TODAY at 5.30pm Mass they will be presented to the community for support & prayer in the scrutinies

Sacrament of Marriage (2) Fr Jim is trying to see all couples to be married this year overt the next few weeks. There are 4 appointments this week; if he's not been in touch he will by next week.

Sacraments for young people (1) Next 34 children will make their 1st Confession. Frances has given out appointment times. Let us know any changes.

Sacraments for young people (2) Sad so few 1st Communion children at Mass after enrolling in September. Of course they have hobbies, but please invest in their spiritual lives too. There's 4 weekend Masses and you ought to be at one!

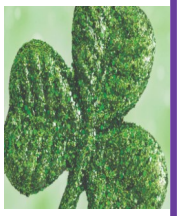
Please remember Matthew Mullen who has died. Condolences to the family— funeral on March 16th. Alec McCormick who died suddenly at home. He was well known at Mass in many parishes and attended many prayer groups across the city. We will post arrangements asap



Think Fete Yes - really! not til June but our biggest community day needs your support. Clearing out or left-over Christmas stuff? Bring it down and put it in the fete box in the porch - we accept anything but clothing. Watch for meeting

Huge Thanks to Jane Carden, organist for over 20 years. Janes has decided to call it a day. Cannot thank her enough for covering countless services!

Finance & Fabric New LED lighting in church porch - soon to be recarpeted. Hall curtains rehung (again!) Asking parents at TBar to stop kids swinging on these - please! Curtains in SPRED room also rehung. Sanctuary wall repainted. Engineer looking at church stairs this week



Emerald Lunch Club with an Irish Flavour (along with Tuesday Club) A Lunch of soup, sandwiches, sausage rolls, tea & coffee/cakes. Live entertainment, Irish Traditional Music, Singing & Dancing. Tues March 12th , 12pm – 3pm Cost £3 - book a place; Evin 07866 453708 or Jackie, Tuesday club

Teen Ranch: Possible new youth initiative with Maryhill Ruchill Parish. Taking young people S1-S6 to Teen Ranch in Perthshire, 21-23 June (Fri eve - Sun lunch). Horse riding, archery & kayaking, making new friends & sharing Christian faith. Delighted we have 3 great volunteers to help lead. Now need some young folk to sign up. Parish will help fund this so ask your pals?

Catholic Teacher Approval. The 1918 Education (Scotland) Act expects every teacher in a Catholic school to be both professionally qualified and has the approval of the local bishop. A reference is expected from their parish priest that the applicant is a practicing Catholic, attending Mass, and is known to the parish priest. These conditions must be met before a reference can be given

Church staircase finally an engineer has done an initial investigation and agrees it will need a proper examination. We will let you know in due course

