

St John the Evangelist Parish

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LITURGICAL SERVICES

HOLY MASS: Weekdays at 9:30am; Saturday at 10:00am, Vigil for Sunday at 4:30pm; Sunday at 10:00am, 12:00 noon and 6:30pm.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION: Saturday after 10am Mass. Between 4:00pm and 4:25pm, and after the Vigil Mass.

ROSARY: Weekdays in the Church/Oratory after Mass; Friday 3:00-4:00pm in the Oratory.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: From 10:00am to 9:00pm each weekday in the Oratory.

31st March 2019

4th Sunday of Lent (Year C)

COLLECTIONS

Last weekend's collections

The parish collection raised £1812.00. The second collection for the Legacy Fund came to £929.00.

Thank you for your generosity.

FUNERALS THIS WEEK

Jack Timpany	Requiem Mass	Tues 9.30am
John Duignan	Requiem Mass	Wed 9.30am

NEW ENVELOPES

The new collection envelopes are available today. For members of the GIFT AID scheme, please collect your envelopes from the porch. For those NOT members of the Gift Aid scheme, please take a box, if you wish, from the pew in front of the Our Lady altar.

If you pay tax (on either earnings or savings) and are not yet a member of the Gift Aid scheme, PLEASE consider joining. It's easy and costs nothing to join and the parish is able to claim back from the government 25pence on every pound you donate over the course of the tax year. If interested, have a word with Fr Joe or Mary Logue who will explain more and give you a simple form to complete. Last year the scheme brought in nearly £16,000 extra to the parish, so it is certainly very worthwhile joining up!!

40 HOURS

The 40 Hours, a special period of prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, begins after the 12noon Mass today. **The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at the end of the noon Mass and will remain exposed for prayer and adoration until just before the evening Mass. On Sunday, there will be Evening Prayer and Benediction at 5.30pm. On Monday there will be adoration from after the 8am Mass (extra 8am Mass on Tuesday morning) until night prayers at 9.00pm, with a holy hour incorporating Mass being celebrated at 7.00pm. On Tuesday the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the 8am Mass until the Holy Hour at 7pm which concludes the 40 Hours.**

This is a time of intense prayer for our parish community. Remember, there must always be someone in the church while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. Please ensure that all slots on the sign-up sheets in the porch are filled.

This week's second collection is to support SCIAF.

The proceeds of this collection are divided 75% to SCIAF and 25% to our new St Mirin's Fund. SCIAF is the official aid and international development charity of the Catholic Church in Scotland. It works in sixteen of the poorest countries in the world, regardless of religion, to work their way out of poverty. The St. Mirin's Fund awards small grants for good causes that promote the Kingdom of God among us, with special consideration to: children and young people, the elderly, those with disabilities and special needs, or suffering from poverty, mental illness, homelessness or refugees. In 2017 (last audited figures) this collection for SCIAF and the St. Mirin Fund raised £28,013.

Foodbank

Thank you for your continued support of the local Foodbank—your generous help is very much valued by those in our community who use the Foodbank. As ever, any donations may be left in the buckets in the porch of the church.

Lenten Station Masses

This is the second year of our Lenten Station Masses as our diocese imitates the ancient practice of the Church in Rome, where the Pope would celebrate Mass in a different parish church on each of the days of Lent. To prepare ourselves for the Celebration of Easter Bishop John will celebrate a Station Masses with the people in our MATN cluster areas. At each Mass he will use the readings of the day to preach a short catechetical homily, *Walking With Mary*, on the spirituality of Lent: on Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving, on Simplicity, Chastity and Obedience, and on Reconciliation.

World Youth Day 2022 Registration is now open for World Youth Day 2022 in Lisbon, Portugal. Details of cost and dates will be advised soon. To register, please visit <https://rcdop.org.uk/news/world-youth-day-2022-lisbon-for-a-lifetime-experience>

Legion of Mary Information Event This event will take place next Sunday, 7th May in the tea room after both 10 o'clock and 12 o'clock Mass. Please come along to one of them for a cup of tea of coffee and a short presentation. All are welcome!!

Summer Camp The Diocese of Paisley is offering a summer camp for secondary school pupils in the present s1 and s2 this summer at Alton Castle near Birmingham. Come along for a 5-day program of faith-filled fun: Holy Mass, prayer, games, activities, Alton Towers & SO MUCH MORE! Transport from Paisley and back. The trip will be from the 4th to the 8th August and costs £350.00. Places are limited. To reserve a place or find out more please contact Fr. John Morrison tel 0141 889 5056 or e-mail vocations@rcdop.org.uk

FOR THE ATTENTION OF ALL CHURCH VOLUNTEERS WITH PVG CERTIFICATES OR PENDING PVG CERTIFICATES: volunteers doing or planning to do regulated work with children and vulnerable adults *or both*, should complete the Level one Safeguarding training. The next session will be held in the **Diocesan Office, Ince Street, Paisley, PA1 1HR on Tuesday 30th April at 7pm**. Please contact Sarah Jane at the Diocesan Safeguarding office safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk or **0141 847 6138** to register.

Talks @ UWS. Back to Basics. Lent Wednesdays Chaplaincy Talks: The St. Mirin's Chaplaincy Centre welcomes you to our series of Wednesday 7.00pm Lenten Talks), *Do Catholics worship Mary?* (4th April). 45 High Street, Paisley. Talks 40 minutes. All welcome!

Fundraiser for Pupils Going to Krakow
Save the date: Friday 24th May 2019. There will be a quiz and karaoke night in St. Thomas' Church Hall.

Diocese of Paisley Youth This year's **Palm Sunday celebration** of World Youth Day will take place at **St. Mary's, Greenock on Sunday 14th April from 2pm-6pm**. The event is for Secondary School Pupils s3-s6. The event is open to all pupils in that age range and pupils participating in the Salamanca and Krakow pilgrimages are expected to attend. The program will include Mass at 4.30pm. Transport will be provided from Paisley leaving St. Mirin's Cathedral at 1pm and leaving Greenock to return to Paisley at 6pm. Seats on the bus can be booked by e-mailing Father John Morrison at vocations@rcdop.org.uk. All participants must bring a signed consent form. Please ask your parish priest/school for a copy of the consent form.

St John's Parish Youth
The next youth event will be the coffee morning after the 10am Mass on Easter Sunday—home baking, raffles and maybe even a visit from the Easter Bunny!! Please continue to support us in all we do. Thank you!!

40 Days for Life Lenten prayer Vigil 8am till 8pm each day at the QEUH: What are you doing for Lent? Please consider joining our peaceful prayer Vigil across the road from the Hardgate Road entrance to the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital. Our Vigil started on Ash Wednesday at 8am. To sign up email, go to : Ogilvie2019@outlook.com As we pray we stand in prayerful solidarity with those children, women and men whose lives have been taken/ damaged by abortion. Scotland now has the legislative power over abortion so think on these words when praying, 'for what we have done , for what we have failed to do' .

Let's Meet Would you like to meet someone special? Let's Meet is sort of like speed dating and is a very friendly, relaxed way to meet fellow single Catholics (Aged 21-40). We need good, strong Catholic couples and families for the future of our Church. So please, give our Catholic Speed Dating event a go. Browns Brasserie & Bar, Glasgow. **7pm, Saturday 6th April**. To buy a £10 ticket email letsmeetscotland@gmail.com.

Saint Margaret's Adoption Society are currently looking to recruit prospective adopters. If you have ever thought about adoption as a way to grow your family and would like to know more, please contact our office for a chat with one of our friendly and experienced staff on **0141 332 8371** or email info@stmargaretsadoption.org.uk

Diocesan Counselling for Catholics Married in the Catholic Church: For information or advice please email in confidence counselling@rcdop.org.uk

100 Club Draw March Winners
Please see the notice board

LENTEN TIMETABLE
PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO TIMETABLE ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY EVENINGS—SEE NOTICE ON 40 HOURS

Weekday Masses

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	8am, 9.30am.
Tuesday, Thursday	9.30am, 6.30pm
<i>EXTRA MORNING MASS THIS TUESDAY AT 8AM</i>	
Saturday	10.00am

Stations of the Cross

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	6.30pm
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Confessions

Tuesdays 6.50pm	<i>NO CONFESSIONS THIS TUESDAY DUE TO 40 HOURS MASS AT 7PM.</i>
Saturday 10.30am,	4.00pm

Oratory *ORATORY CLOSED THIS WEEK MONDAY AND TUESDAY DUE TO 40 HOURS*

The Oratory is open from 10am to 9pm Monday to Friday but will close between 6pm and 7pm each evening through Lent while there are Masses or services going on in the main church. Why not try to come along and spend extra time in prayer with the Lord during Lent?

Also, a reminder to those last out of the oratory at 9pm each evening, please ensure the heater, lights and CCTV monitor are all switched off. Thanks.

SPECIAL BLESSINGS TO ALL MOTHERS, GRANDMOTHERS AND GREAT GRANDMOTHERS—HAVE A LOVELY DAY TODAY--YOU DESERVE IT!!