

The Pluscarden Pentecost Lectures 2019: A series of public lectures at Pluscarden Abbey, **11th - 13th June**. *Beauty will save the World*. Four talks by Father Martin Boland. No charge and all are welcome to attend. To register for talks or accommodation please write to: Pentecost Lectures, Pluscarden Abbey, ELGIN, Moray IV30 8UA enclosing a SAE; or email guestmaster@pluscardenabbey.org

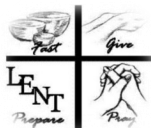
Franciscan Youth Meeting: Are you aged between 18-35? You are welcome to join us at the Chaplaincy, High Street, Paisley, **Thursday 21st March** from 7-9 pm. Theme is Conversion "Rebuild My Church" This is a good one and helps us realize the importance of Lent. We will also have intentions and talks and share a wee cuppa and sandwich. All welcome.

The Light is Everything: Opening Ourselves to Jesus's Healing Touch. (based on the Gospel of the man born blind) This quiet morning will take place in **St. Columba's Church Oratory, Renfrew** on **Sat 30th March**. It begins **10.30am** (teas available from 10) and will finish about 1.30pm (includes mass and light lunch)

The Season of Lent

"The purpose of the Transfiguration account is different, however. In Matthew's gospel, it is placed immediately after Jesus predicts his passion, suffering and death which will take place on another mountain. The agony and the ecstasy are two parts of the one story. He must die in order to rise again and transform the world and the life and death of each person in it".

[Archbishop George Stack]



Legacies: when making your Will have you thought of leaving a legacy to the Parish or diocese?

Gift Aid: If you pay tax as for a Gift Aid form and your one-off signature we get an extra 25%

Lenten Station Masses: This is the second year of our Lenten Station Masses where 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. Please come along to your cluster Mass, or maybe your Lenten discipline could be travel with the bishop and attend all of them! See poster in the church porch for dates.

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. *Does God really Exist?* Fr. Tom Boyle (13th March), *Was Jesus really God?* Fr. John Morrison (20th March), *Did Jesus mean to found a Church?* Fr. John Morrison. (27th March), *Do Catholics worship Mary?* (4th April). 45 High Street, Paisley. Talks 40 minutes. All welcome!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ST MARY'S CONFERENCE

Welcome everyone. If you know anyone in need of food or families in need. Please contact us or tell the person to ask for food parcel from the Chapel house. We also appeal to parishioners to assist us.



ST MARY'S PARISH PAISLEY

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17th March 2019

2nd Sunday of Lent Year C

Parish Mass & Prayer Times

Rosary & Morning Prayer: 9:10 before 9:30am Mass

Weekday Mass: 9:30am daily (except Wednesday)

Wednesday Evening Mass: 7pm

Exposition: Tuesday & Thursday 9am

Saturday 9:00am after 9:30am Mass

Divine Mercy Devotion: Friday after Mass

Sunday Masses: 4:30pm (Saturday Vigil) 10:30am

Confessions: Saturday 10:00am - 10:30am & 4 - 4:30pm

Baptism: Arrange with the priest

Marriage: Give at least six months notice (see Fr Jude)



SUNDAY HOLY MASS

Psalm Response : "The Lord is my light and my help"

Mass Book: YEAR C Part:1 Page: 75



A warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors. Whether you are visiting the parish for the first time or just moved to the area, please feel very welcome. Introduce yourself to the parish priest and other parishioners. There are no strangers here, just new friends you have not met; so feel relax. There is Tea and coffee after Sunday mass in the hall. Join us and have a "wee cuppa" with your friends.



PARISH NOTICE

2019 Offertory Envelopes: Now available, you can pick up your envelopes at the porch. If you are a new parishioner and a UK tax payer, please signed in for gift aid and have your name on our offertory envelope. Speak with Jim McKeown or Jim Kerr for details.

60th Birthday Congratulations: To Jim Kerr. We wish him God's blessings and many more years of fruitful service to God and humanity.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: This weekend an appeal will be made for more volunteers to help in different facets of our parish up keeping. There are forms available at the porch. Please take one home and we beg you to give a wee hand or aid to the maintenance of our parish. **St Mary's needs YOU!!!**

BENEDICTION & EVENING MASS

As a way of being with Jesus in Prayer as a community, there will be benediction/Vespers and evening Mass on Sundays throughout this season of Lent. All are welcome!!!



Benediction/Vespers @ 4:00pm

Evening Mass @ 4:30pm.

Stations of the Cross Tuesdays after Mass and Fridays 9:00am

PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

St Patrick's Night 23rd March

DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS

SCIAF WEE BOX- These are available in the porch. Please take home a WEE BOX and help families grow their way out of poverty and hunger. Feel free to take one to have at home and at your workplace if suitable.

St Patrick Night: Our next Parish social event "St Patrick Night" will take place on Saturday 23rd March. Tickets are available now. £5 for adults and £3 for kids. Remember it is a BYOB event. Speak to Kay Steel or Henry Bradley for enquiries.

Parish Piety Stall: St Patrick's Day, First Holy Communion and Easter cards & stocks are now available.

Parish Choir: In order to prepare for the forthcoming feasts/celebrations, we remind members that choir practice will begin this Wednesday and will be on every Wednesday after evening mass. New members are welcome!

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.

Rite of Election - New Members of the Church: Please keep the new member of our church in your prayers as they journey through their Rite of Election to the Easter Vigil-the usual time to celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) with Adults. Prayer for Christian Initiation of Adults - *Father, you give your Church constant growth by adding new members to your family. Help us put into action in our lives the baptism we have received in faith* (Roman Missal)

Diocesan Choir: We would welcome new members as we prepare for the Chrism Mass. If interested, please join us in St Charles' Hall today, **Sunday 17th March at 2.30pm.** No experience necessary.

Mass at UWS Chaplaincy: Mass is available at the St. Mirin's Chaplaincy centre, 45 High Street, Paisley at 5pm on Sundays and at 12.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. All welcome!

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.

St. Mirin's Fund: is a Fund set up by the Diocese of Paisley to disburse funds from the Episcopal Charities and Bishop's Fund. If you wish to be considered for a gift from this fund for a charitable project or need, please contact funding@rcdop.org.uk with a contact name, contact details and a statement of how you would use the gift. Closing date is 29th March 2019. Thank you.

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>

Are you a Teacher Open to becoming an RE Specialist in our Catholic High Schools?

The University of Glasgow is offering courses to enable qualified teachers to gain an Additional Teaching Qualification in Religious Education (ATQRE), leading to GTCS 'Professional Recognition' and allowing you to become an RE specialist in the Catholic secondary school. Currently our Catholic schools in Scotland are short of around 50 RE specialists. If you are interested please contact the diocese at Education@rcdop.org.uk or go to: <https://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/education/cpd/atqre/>

This month's Pro-Life Mass is on **Wednesday, 20th March** in Blessed John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. There will be Adoration at 6pm, followed by Rosary at 7pm and Mass at 7.30pm. All welcome. The celebrant will be Canon Joseph McAuley.

As a parish Community we pray especially for

Those who are sick

Helena Sagnella Ben Chamness William McCarry Allison O'Kane
Bobby Muir Mary Graham Agnes Cattigan Jane McKenna
Caetano Rosario Cardozo Elizabeth McGrogan Laura Hunter
Christine McAllister John Allison Russell Smith Margaret Blane
Linda Patti Tommy Campbell Stephen Jim Bowers
Sarah Jessiman Susan McCann Greame

Those who are recently deceased

Barbara Moran Gerard Harkins
William McEwan Frank O'Connor
Monica Duncan George Hermon

Those whose anniversaries occur

Peter McGovern Michael McGovern
William McAtier Susan Leckie
Patrick Joseph Harkins Kathleen McGinley
Charlie McNeil Jimmy McAleer Bernard Harkin
Raffaella McLaughlan Riccardo Puddinu Jean Taggart