

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/>

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

The Season of Lent

Today's Gospel begins by reporting that Jesus is again teaching the crowds in the vicinity of the Temple. The scribes and the Pharisees approach Jesus, bringing a woman who has been caught in the act of adultery. Jesus' response to those who accuse the woman is more than a caution to us about making judgment of others. It is a profound lesson in divine mercy and forgiveness.

As sinners, we are all unworthy to judge the sins of others and we would stand convicted by God for our transgressions. Yet Jesus, the one without sin and thus our judge, offers us who are sinners his mercy and forgiveness. Redeemed by Jesus' compassion, we are sent to sin no more and to live in God's love and peace.



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%

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 8895056 or e-mail vocations@rcdop.org.uk

St. Margaret's Adoption Society: Have you ever considered adoption as a way to grow your family? Could you provide a loving, stable family environment for a child who needs a forever home? If you would like to find out more about the adoption process, please visit www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk or contact us on 0141 332 8371 or e-mail info@stmargaretsadoption.org.uk.

Fertility Care Scotland is seeking to employ an **Office Administrator** for 16 hours per week. If interested, please post or email your CV to The Chairman, Fertility Care Scotland, 196 Clyde Street, Glasgow, G1 4JY. Contact: Fertility Care Scotland 0141 221 0858 or Info@fertilitycare.org.uk - www.fertilitycare.org.uk

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday / Passion Sunday

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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 Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Jude Okorie

7th April 2019

5th 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 Mass & Children's Liturgy**

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 : "Taste and see that the Lord is good"

Mass Book: YEAR C Part:1 Page: 83



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. See Jim McKeown or Jim Kerr for details.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: WE appeal for more volunteers to help in different facets of our parish up keeping. Forms are still available at the porch. Please take one home and we beg you to give a wee hand. **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 Piety Stall: First Holy Communion and Easter cards & stocks are now available.

Diocesan Fundraising Team: will visit the parish this weekend. Please support our diocese.

Fr John Bashabora Retreat & Healing Mass: This Sunday at 1pm

PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

Altar Servers Social Evening May 10th 2019

DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS

Last Week's Collections

Thanks for last week's **Offertory collections:** Gift Aid: £487.00, Non Gift Aid £336.67 = £823.67

SCIAF & St Mirin's fund: Gift Aid £67.00, Non Gift Aid £423.48 = £490.48. **Grand Total £1,314.15**

Easter Garden Appeal: We now accept Cash donations for the Easter Garden. Plants and flowers can be brought in from Holy Thursday. Note: No bedding plants, please.

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.

Day of Reconciliation: there will be all day confession on 15th April in St Mirin's Cathedral.

Parish Choir: In order to prepare for the forthcoming feasts/ celebrations, we remind members that choir practice 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, Inle 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.

Chrism Mass: Bishop John invites the Priests, Deacons, Religious and people of the Diocese to celebrate the Chrism Mass with him on **Wednesday 17th April at 7pm** in St. Mirin's Cathedral. This celebration is a great opportunity for us to celebrate and express our faith together. During the Mass the Priests of the Diocese will renew their priestly commitment and the oils will be blessed for use in the celebration of the Sacraments throughout the Diocese in the coming year. Join Bishop John and our Clergy for refreshments in the hall after mass. All welcome.

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>

Interfaith Scotland is teaming up with the University of St Andrews Coexistence initiative to host an interfaith youth conference at the University of St Andrews on **Saturday 13th April from 11am - 4pm** at the Arts Lecture Theatre, KY16 9AX.

Are you an RE specialist teacher, recently qualifying or other, seeking employment? Paisley diocese is compiling a list of RE specialists, qualifying or qualified and looking for employment in our schools, temporary or permanent, full time or part time. With your permission we will make this list available to our diocesan Head Teachers, most of whom are currently looking to engage RE specialists. Please contact Education@rcdop.org.uk

Glasgow's 40 Days for Life Vigil at the QEUH will come to an end on Saturday 13th April with our traditional silent candle lit hour at 7pm. Our formal Closing Event will take place in George Square the following day at 3pm, Sunday 14th April, Palm Sunday. Jamie McGowan a member of Glasgow Students for Life is the Guest Speaker. Opposition is expected on Sunday 14th April. Please come along and be a witness to hope for a culture of life here in Scotland.

FILM NIGHT Fundraiser HCPT Group 19 Lourdes Easter Pilgrimage. Sister Clare Crockett was killed during an earthquake in Ecuador. As a youngster her life was heading for spiritual destruction. Then she opened her life to Jesus, changed her ways and joined the *Sisters of the Home of the Mother*. In this 80 mins film she talks about her life in a fitting reflection for Lent and Easter. **St Patrick's Church Hall, Coatbridge, Thursday evening 11th April 7.30pm. Pay at door: £3. All money raised to HCPT Group 19 Lourdes Pilgrimage this Easter.**

UWS Chaplaincy: Our present program of Masses will be suspended until Monday 15th April due to University holidays.

Stronghold Festival: Aged 18 - 35? The Stronghold Festival is for you! Join hundreds of people on this 4-day Catholic Festival, camping in the stunning Highlands for a powerful week-end of Adoration, Sacraments, music, talks, hill walks, evening fun and loads more! 24th-27th May 2019, Craig Lodge, Dalmally. Check out the amazing line up of speakers and book your place through our page: www.facebook.com/StrongholdFestival - we hope to see you there! Should you wish to find out more infor-

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 Jean 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
Sarah & Jennette McCann Greame Henry Graham

Those who are recently deceased

Fr Peter McKelvie Jimmy Gallagher
Hugh Gilbert Betty Gilmartin

Those whose anniversaries occur

Margaret McMurray James Crossan
Edward O'Donnel Mary Kelly