

## Holy Week

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the most sacred days in our year, the climax of all our Lenten penances and prayer. Next weekend Easter cards will be available, which will have all of our Mass and service times for these holy days.

So you can plan ahead, the most important celebrations of the Sacred Triduum are as follows:

**The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday** will be at **7.00pm**, followed by watching and prayer at the Altar of Repose until 9.30pm.

**The Solemn Passion of the Lord on Good Friday** will be at **3.00pm**, with veneration of the Cross. (There will also be Stations of the Cross at 12.00noon; see details below about the screening of the *Passion of the Christ*).

**The Solemn Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection on Holy Saturday evening will be at 9.00pm** (this is the most important Mass of the year, and I encourage you to attend).

**The Solemn Easter Sunday Mass will be at 10.30am** (please note there is no 9.00am Mass on Easter Sunday).

## Lenten Holy Mass and Devotions

This week we will have our final two early morning Masses at 7.15am on Monday and Friday; there will be no early morning Mass in Holy Week.

Our 8.15am Mass on Tuesday ends now for the school holidays. It was wonderful to see a good number of our children making the effort to attend this Mass in these last four weeks, and I'm very grateful to the ladies in the Hall for providing breakfast for the children - thank you so much!

## Good Friday Fish Supper

### & Screening of *The Passion of the Christ*

On **Good Friday**, a day of fasting and abstinence, if you would like to share your meal that day with fellow parishioners, we will be ordering fish and chips to be delivered to the hall **after the 3pm Passion Service**.

This will be followed by a screening of *The Passion of the Christ* (age 18+).

Everyone is welcome, but children should leave before the film as it is only suitable for adults.

To order your fish supper, please take an envelope from the table at the back of the church. Fill in your name (one per couple/family), and how many suppers you would like at **£7.50 each**. The choice is regular fish, or special fish. Return your envelope by **next Sunday, 13th April**, enclosing the correct money. Cost includes fish supper, tea/coffee/juice and bread & butter.

## Upcoming Parish Bible Talks

We will be having a Bible study on St Luke's account of the **Passion & Death of Jesus on Mon 7th April**, and on the **Resurrection on Mon 14th April, at 7.00pm** in the Hall. These talks are particularly helpful to our spiritual preparation and engagement during Holy Week and Easter. All are most welcome to attend, even if you haven't been to any of the other Bible Study talks so far.

## Confessions Evening

On **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April** there will be **Confessions available from 6.30-8.00pm** with visiting priests hearing Confessions. Everyone should receive this Sacrament before the celebration of Easter. There will also be **Stations of the Cross at 6.00pm**, and **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.30-8.00pm**.

Please note the Confession times of local parishes:

St Augustine's Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> 6.30-8.00pm

St Patrick's Mon 14<sup>th</sup> 6.30-8.00pm

St Monica's Weds 16<sup>th</sup> 6.30-8.00pm

## SCIAF Second Collection - Thank You!

Thank you very much for your generous contributions to the second collection last week for SCIAF, you raised a wonderful **£1,590**.

## Children's Liturgy

Children from **Primary 1 to Primary 4** are welcomed and encouraged to attend their own Liturgy of the Word at our **10.30 Mass**.

For the next two weeks (Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday) our children's liturgy will be off for the school holidays.

## Catechesis of The Good Shepherd

Our programme for 3-6 year olds runs fortnightly after the 10.30 Sunday Mass.

**Dates from now until May are as follows: 13th April, 4th May, 18th May.**

## Sunday Breakfast

All are most welcome to go over to the Hall **after our 10.30am Sunday Mass** for a breakfast roll and tea/coffee. **Children eat for free**.

On Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday there will be no breakfast in the Hall, this **will resume again on the Second Sunday of Easter (27<sup>th</sup> April)**. Thank you very much to all the ladies for your hard work and preparation of the breakfast each week.

## Hall Bookings


For Hall enquiries and bookings, please contact **Val Reid** on **07938 873113**.



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## Sunday 6th April - Fifth Sunday in Lent (Passiontide Begins)

### Holy Mass Schedule

#### Monday 7th April

**Holy Mass at 7.15am & 9.45am**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7.30-8.30am

Holy Rosary 9.20am

**Monday Club at**

**1.00pm**

**Bible Study in the hall at 7.00pm.**

#### Tuesday 8th April

**Requiem Mass for Willie Lowe RIP at 9.45am**

**Adult Catechesis**

**Group 7.00pm**

#### Wednesday 9th April

**Holy Mass at 9.45am**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8.30-9.40am

#### Thursday 10th April

**Holy Mass at 7.00pm**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6.00-6.45pm

concluding with Benediction. Confessions 6.00-6.40pm.

#### Friday 11th April

**Holy Mass at 7.15am and 9.45am**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7.30-8.30am

Confessions 9.10-9.40am, Holy Rosary 9.20am

Stations of the Cross 10.15am

## HOLY WEEK - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April - Palm Sunday

**Vigil Holy Mass 12<sup>th</sup> April at 4.15pm Confessions 3.30-4.00pm.**

**Sunday Holy Mass at 9.00am & 10.30am (with children's liturgy)**

### Prayers for the sick and housebound

May Rooney, Jim Kelly, Anne Thérèse Judge, Betty Cannon, Nora McCann, Rose McGhee, John Foley, Brian Judge, Tony Gallagher, Michael Nilsson, Barbara Lucock, Mary Slevin, Cathie Dunnachie, Thomas Martin, Peter Fleming, Eileen Wilkie, Caroline Boland, Jean Graham, Heather Flanigan, Geraldine Boyce, Janey Tominey, John & Mary McDade, William Gilmour, Andrew Cane, Felix Dillon, Rosaleen Grogan, Timothy Nilsson, and Jean Reilly.

### Prayers for the Faithful Departed

**Recently Deceased:** Willie Lowe (Requiem Mass Tue 8<sup>th</sup> April at 9.45am), Gary Tumilty (Reception of Remains Mon 14<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00pm, Requiem Mass Tue 15<sup>th</sup> April at 9.45am), Alec Wilson (Reception of Remains Tue 15<sup>th</sup> April at 5.00pm, Requiem Mass Weds 16<sup>th</sup> April at 9.45am), and Caroline Miller.

**Month's Mind:** Kathleen Donnelly.

**Anniversaries:** Fr Damien Gilhooley, and Isaac Fairlie.

**Birthday Remembrance:** Tony Campbell.

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.*