


Saint James the Greater Parish



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 St James' Coatbridge

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Sunday 20th April - Easter Sunday

Mass Schedule

Mon 21st April

Easter Monday - Holy Mass at 11.30am

Tue 22nd April

Easter Tuesday - Holy Mass at 9.45am

Wed 23rd April

Easter Wednesday - No Holy Mass in St James' today

(Local Masses: St Monica's 10.00am, St Mary's 8.30am)

Thur 24th April

Easter Thursday - Holy Mass at 7.00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.00pm, concluding with sung Benediction before Mass.

Confessions 6.00-6.40pm.

Fri 25th April

Easter Friday - Holy Mass at 9.45am

Confessions 9.10-9.40am, Holy Rosary at 9.20am.

Sat 26th April

Easter Saturday - Holy Mass at 9.45am

Requiem Mass for Marie Johnstone RIP

Sunday 27th April - Second Sunday of Easter (Low Sunday)

Vigil Mass Sat 26th April at 4.15pm Confessions 3.30-4.00pm.

Sunday Mass at 9.00am & 10.30am

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 & Masses for Easter Remembrance

Patrick & Margaret Kelly, Jim Farrell, Rena Willis, Thomas & May Gribben, Mary & Joseph Mallon, Christina & Isaac Minnis, James Gallagher, John & Bridie Slavin, Duncan & Mary Burns, John & Barbara Burns, Agnes Jamieson, The Slavin Family, The Whyte Family, The Hill Family, Sadie Reilly, The Keenan Family, Fr Ivaldo Casula SX, Fr Pier Giorgio SX, Fr John McQuade SJ, The McQuade Family, The Dermody Family, Kate O'Regan, and Cathie O'Connor.

Prayers for the Faithful Departed

Recently Deceased: Marie Johnstone (Requiem Mass Sat 26th April at 9.45am, Reception of Remains before Mass).

Anniversaries: Margaret Watson, May Gribben, James McMurray, and Mary McBennett.

Months Mind: Mamie, Bridie & Patsy McMurray, Joseph McMullan, Bill Foster, Freddie Keegan, and Susan Corrigan.

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

Bishop Toal's Easter Message

As Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year there can no day more hope-filled than Easter Sunday as we celebrate with great joy the Lord's Resurrection. May the Risen Lord Jesus therefore renew our faith, fill us with great hope, and inspire further acts of Christian love and service.

A special word of welcome to those received into the Church this Easter. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you experience the power of the Lord's presence in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. May your participation in Christ and his Church sustain you constantly now in the pilgrimage of life.

As we continue to hear of the ravages of war and of the terror felt by many in our troubled world we pray earnestly for peace and justice, for forgiveness and healing, for a respite from fear and a glimmer of hope. We pray that the Lord of New Life will keep us and our loved ones safe in his care and bring consolation to all in pain.

With my Easter blessing and good wishes,

+ **Joseph Toal**

Parish News & Events

Happy Easter, Alleluia!

I wish all of you and your families every blessing from the Risen Lord this Easter. May the glory of the Lord Jesus, alive to die no more, fill your hearts and homes!

Thank you!

I would like to offer a most sincere thanks to all of those who have worked so hard and helped to prepare the church for Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum, and for all of those who have assisted in our liturgies. To all our cleaners, florists, readers, sacristans and servers, I am extremely grateful for all you do, and I know your hard work and dedication is appreciated by our parishioners.

Visiting Choir from Slovenia

On **Sunday 4th May at our 10.30am Sunday Mass**, I am delighted to welcome the vocal group *Cantate Domino* from Kočevje in Slovenia to sing at Holy Mass. The group are doing a small tour of parishes in Scotland, and have graciously included St James' in their busy schedule. Details of their music can be found on the poster on the noticeboard. They will also join us for breakfast in the Hall after Mass, and sing some folk songs from Slovenia - all are most welcome.

Hall Bookings

For those wishing to book the Hall, please contact Val Reid on 07938 873113.

Confirmations

On **Wednesday 7th May** we are delighted to welcome Bishop Toal to St James' to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for our Primary 7 Children - please remember them in your prayers in these final weeks of preparation. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7.00pm, and all of our parishioners are welcome to come to Mass for this Parish event, and support our young people receiving the Sacrament.

Rosaries on Sale

Special handmade Rosaries will be on sale in our Stall next weekend, and the following weekend. Joanna who makes the Rosaries, is also able to repair old Rosaries you have that are broken.

New Items for the Celebration of Mass

For the Easter Season, and for greater solemnities and feast days throughout the year, some new items have been purchased for the celebration of Holy Mass, including new altar candlesticks, a new Missal stand/Monstrance Tabor, and a new Processional Cross. These are beautiful restored antique items, and will enhance the beauty of our church and the sacred liturgy. **Thank you for your continued generous support of the parish which makes the purchase these precious items possible.**