



# St. Patrick's Parish

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER: DIVINE MERCY**

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## Mass Times this week

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Solemnity: Annunciation of the Lord
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Easter Week 2
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Easter Week 2
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Memorial: St John Baptist de la Salle
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Easter Week 2
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Easter Week 2
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	6pm Vigil	Third Sunday of Easter
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	

**Rosary and Morning Prayer** each day in the church at 9.30am

**DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP** Thursdays 7pm

## COLLECTIONS

Easter Sunday £420.65

**FORTHCOMING COLLECTIONS:** 23<sup>rd</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> April there will be a Mission appeal for the work of Volunteer Missionary Movement VMM.

**200 CLUB** monies due this week. Please see Helen at the back of the church. If you would like to join the 200 club please ask Helen.

**GIFT AID ENVELOPES** now available for collection from sacristy.

## **DO YOU PAY TAX AND PUT MONEY INTO THE COLLECTION**

**BOX?** If yes then you can make your donation go further by signing up to GIFT AID. You fill out a simple form, we give you envelopes. You put your money in an envelope then put it in the box as usual. We get to claim back the tax value at no cost to you. If you are interested please ask Fr Francis for a form.

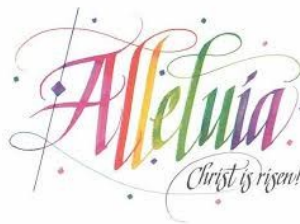
## **ARCHBISHOP'S EASTER GREETING**

Easter comes early this year. Even nature seems to have cottoned on, with gardens already bright and blooming with spring flowers.

That newness of life is a kind of sermon which the natural world preaches to us, reminding us of the more profound truth of the season, namely that Christ conquers death and restores new life... always. In the words of the great Easter hymn, the *Victimae Paschali*: "Death and life contended, in a vivid battle: the Prince of life, who died, reigns alive." Those words are a summary of our own lives.

Every day in little ways we fight a battle between good and evil, between caring and ignoring, between virtue and vice – such is the stuff of life. But Easter reminds us that, in the end, Good can - and will - triumph.

We are marking this year as a "Year of Mercy" – a time to be ever more convinced that God is always ready to forgive us, if we turn to him in sincere sorrow. God will not be outdone in mercy – that is the great news of this season.



May the blessings of the risen and merciful Jesus Christ be with you and your families today and always.

## **GLASGOW LIVING THEOLOGY**

This is a course for everyone interested in deepening their understanding of the Christian faith and takes place at the Ignatian Spirituality centre beside St Aloysius from 6.30pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May to 5pm Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May. See poster at the back of the church for details.

## **INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY MASS - CARFIN**

Thursday 12 May 2016, 19:00 in the Glass Chapel, Carfin. All Healthcare workers and friends welcome. For info please call: 01475 725252 or Email [janecharkin@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janecharkin@yahoo.co.uk) or Tel: 0131 665 3639.

## **KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA- recruitment drive**

The Knights of St Columba are the leading men's lay apostolate organisation in the United Kingdom and continue to assist the clergy in this great Year of Mercy. We would be delighted to welcome like-minded men to our Order, to assist us in serving God by serving others. If interested contact Brian Henry [brianjhenryksc@hotmail.com](mailto:brianjhenryksc@hotmail.com)

## **PRAYER TO BE MERCIFUL**

O Most Holy Trinity! As many times as I breathe, as many times as my heart beats, as many times as my blood pulsates through my body, so many thousand times do I want to glorify Your mercy.

I want to be completely transformed into Your mercy and to be Your living reflection, O Lord. May the greatest of all Divine attributes, that of Your unfathomable Mercy, pass through my heart and soul to my neighbour.

Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearances, but always look for what is beautiful in my neighbour's souls and come to their rescue.

Help me, that my ears may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbour's needs, and not be indifferent to their pains and moanings.

Help me, O Lord, that my tongue may be merciful, so that I should never speak negatively of others, but have a word of comfort and forgiveness for all.

Help me, O Lord, that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbours and always try to take upon myself the more difficult and toilsome tasks.

Help me, O Lord, that my feet may be merciful, so that I may hurry to assist my neighbour, overcoming my own fatigue and weariness. My true rest is in the service of my neighbour.

Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful, so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbour. I will refuse my heart to no one. I will be sincere even with those who, I know, will abuse my kindness. And I will lock myself up in the most merciful Heart of Jesus. I will bear my own suffering in silence.

May your mercy, O Lord, rest upon me.

## PARISH FUNDRAISING

Funds raised are split 50/50 between the Parish and the Mission Project in Nigeria.

During Lent we have had a break from fundraising due to second collections . We will shortly be able to summarise where we are in our fundraising amounts and will update you.

Our **cake and candy** stall will RESUME next Sunday.



## SCHOENSTATT RETREATS

'The Residential Pilgrimage 2016: God's Mercy in Our Lives (A Year of Mercy Pilgrimage) Friday 20 May Arrival 10:30am Departure Saturday 21st 11:30 £65.' Includes Lunch, Dinner and Breakfast, all teas and coffees and all materials.

Mind Body and Soul 2016 A One Day Residential Retreat. Friday May 27 Arrival 10:30 Departure Saturday 28th 11:30am £80. This retreat focuses on the holistic health of the individual, and incorporates diet, and wellness, and is superb if you are looking to improve your health, may wish to loose weight or are diabetic or with other issues and includes awareness healthy eating, juicing for health and much more. Includes Lunch, Dinner, Breakfast and a range of tastings, all teas and coffees and a mass of materials for a healthy lifestyle.

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

The annual pilgrimage from the Archdiocese to the Holy Land will take place this year from 19 to 27 September 2016. The pilgrimage will be a special one to mark the Year of Mercy. It will also be held as part of the 200th anniversary celebrations of St Andrew's Cathedral, and will be led by Cathedral Administrator, Monsignor Chris McElroy. The cost, inclusive of flights and hotels, will be £1095 for 9 days. For information contact Alex Mosson on 0141 954 3360.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Recently Dead:** Andy McDowall

**Anniversaries:** William Hart, Robert Gormley, St John Paul II

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