

# St. Patrick's Parish



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## 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Fifth Sunday in Lent, Year B

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### **PARISH DIARY**

Sunday	10.00am	Mass: 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent
	11.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	5.00pm	Benediction
Monday	9.30am	Mass: Solemnity of St Patrick
	4.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.00pm	Holy Hour led by Fire.Cloud
Tuesday	9.30am	Mass: Solemnity of St Joseph
	4.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.00pm	Holy Hour led by Fr Gerard Byrne
Wednesday	9.30am	Mass: Week 5 in Lent
Thursday	9.30am	Mass: Week 5 in Lent
Friday	9.30am	Mass: Week 5 in Lent
	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	9.30am	Mass: Week 5 in Lent
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass: Palm Sunday
Sunday	10.00am	Mass: Palm Sunday

First Collection: £457.80 Second Collection for SCIAF: £414.65

The Second collection today is for Sick and Retired Priests.

#### THE SEASON OF LENT

**Lent**: a time of prayer and penance when we reflect on our lives and our sins, and ask God's help to change and improve our lives and the lives of those around us. We traditionally give something up that we like, and/or take on something extra.

**Day of Confessions in Cathedral for Lent:** takes place on Friday 22nd March, from 7.45am to 5.15pm. It's a great chance to get to Confession before Easter.

Forty Hours: takes place here from Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March to Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March. On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> there will be Exposition from after Mass until Benediction at 5pm. On Monday and Tuesday the numbers mean that we can only have Exposition for a limited period, so there will be Exposition from 4pm to 7pm, finishing with a Holy Hour at 7pm each evening. There are sign-up sheets at the back of the church, so please volunteer to spend some time with Our Lord in prayer – we need at least two people for every slot. On Monday at 7pm we will have a musical reflection on the Passion led by Fire.Cloud, including time for Confessions. On Tuesday at 7pm we will have a Holy Hour led by Father Gerard Byrne from St Brigid's, Toryglen, and he will hear Confessions beforehand from 6.30pm. There will be no penitential service this Lent so please take this opportunity to get to Confession with a visiting priest.

Stations of the Cross: take place each Friday in Lent at 7pm.

**Passiontide:** we now enter into Passiontide, preparing spiritually for Palm Sunday and Holy Week, and to remind us of this all the statues are veiled. Take the opportunity of this special time to deepen our prayer, penance, and almsgiving so that we can worthily celebrate the Easter Triduum.

**Easter Triduum:** advance notice of times – on Holy Thursday the Mass of the Lord's Supper is at 7pm; on Good Friday the Passion is at 3pm; on Holy Saturday the Easter Vigil is at 8pm; on Easter Sunday Mass is at 10am. Full details of other services closer to the time.

**St Patrick's Day:** Since the 17<sup>th</sup> is a Sunday in Lent this year, our patronal feast is moved to the Monday, and we'll celebrate St Patrick at 9.30am Mass on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March. All welcome. Notre Dame High School have handed in baking, and gift boxes for the elderly – these are first come, first served, so please do take one, but once they're gone, they're gone. Thanks to the pupils for this kind gesture.

**First Confessions:** congratulations to the children who made their First Confessions during the week. Please keep praying for them. Thank you to our parish catechists who prepared the children and their parents – this is an essential ministry in the parish.

**Sister Aquinas:** please pray for the repose of the soul of Sister Mary Aquinas OSF, headteacher of St Patrick's Primary from 1971 to 1998, who died recently. Many have remarked on her commitment to our school during those years and the influence she had on them, so please don't forget her now she needs your prayers.

**Youth Group:** Calling all P7-S5 pupils! St Peter's & St Patrick's Parish Youth Group invites you to join for an action-packed evening next Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March, in St Peter's Church Hall from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. With games, input, activities, and prayer, it is set to be great fun! Please come along and bring your friends. Snacks will be provided.

**Pro-Life Mass:** The monthly Pro-Life Mass is on Wednesday 20th March at 7.30pm at Holy Cross, 113 Dixon Ave, G42 8ER. Adoration begins at 6.15pm. Tea in the hall afterwards — all welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Pat Hennessy.

Conversion Practices: The Scottish Government is consulting on a proposed new law to end conversion practices in Scotland. The proposals, which could see loving mums and dads and caring clergy jailed for up to seven years, have drawn sharp and widespread criticism and been described by Aidan O'Neill KC as "ill-thought out" and "fundamentally illiberal". Please respond to the consultation before the closing date of 2nd April. You will find all that you need, including guidance on responding to the consultation, here: https://rcpolitics.org/conversion-practices/

**Parking Charges:** It seems that the Council may have backed down on parking charges – the latest notice on their website raises the weekday parking cost but does not extend the days or times. This might only be the first stage though, so we should still be wary and let our councillors know if this will inconvenience people.

**Spring Young Adult Walking Pilgrimage**: Glasgow [19 - 21st April 2024]. The Youth Office are running a 3-day walking pilgrimage through the Archdiocese stopping at various parishes. It is a great opportunity for 16 - 35 year olds to grow in their faith, get in some exercise and make new friends. <a href="https://www.tinyurl.com/rcagpilgrimage">www.tinyurl.com/rcagpilgrimage</a>

Lenten Talk on the Life and Work of Dorothy Day: A Talk on the life and work of Dorothy Day, the co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, and a peace activist, whose process of canonisation was opened by St. John Paul II in the year 2000, will be held in St Helen's Parish Hall, Langside, on Wednesday 20th March at 7pm. It will be presented by Martha Hennessy (Dorothy's seventh granddaughter), a retired occupational therapist and a renowned Catholic peace advocate. Tea and coffee will be served.

Glasgow Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Archbishop Nolan will lead is summer's pilgrimage to Lourdes. The pilgrimage will take place from Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July, flying from Glasgow Airport. For more details contact Joe Walsh Tours on Freephone 0808 1890468, email <u>4</u> or visit the website <u>www.joewalshtours.co.uk</u>. For sick pilgrims please see the poster on the noticeboard.



**Donations:** We have created a QR code for donations in response to requests from younger members of our parish who don't carry cash! Just scan the code and it will take you to a donation page.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** 

Deaths: Sr Mary Aquinas OSF, Peter Watt
Anniversaries Thomas McCann, Tony Havelin,
Annmaria Knowles

