

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

EASTERTIDE

The fifty days from Easter Sunday to PENTECOST are celebrated in joyful exultation as one great feastday, one "GREAT ALLELUIA!", for CHRIST IS TRULY RISEN!

**TODAY: EASTER SUNDAY
OF
THE LORD'S RESURRECTION**

THIS WEEK: THE OCTAVE OF EASTER.
Each Day is celebrated as **EASTER DAY.**

NEXT SUNDAY:
2nd. SUNDAY OF EASTER
"Low Sunday"
Conclusion of the Octave of Easter.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS
APRIL 2025

For the use of the new technologies
That the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

PARISH PRAYERS

We pray for all who are ill or housebound, especially:

John O'Donnell, Sandi Bray,
George Bennett, Michael Fitzharris,
Gina Robb, Isobel Diorio,
Anne Faller, Nan Scullion,
Lexi Kerr (baby), Amy Hunter,
Linda Scott, Maureen Harvey,
Emma Sinclair, Maureen Houston,
Anne Kane, Jessica Glover,
Caroline McNeil, Joanne King.

We pray for all who have died recently, R.I.P., especially:

Catherine Loughran,
Cathy McGregor,
Pat Sime,
Jim Cooper.

We remember those whose anniversaries are at this time, R.I.P., especially:

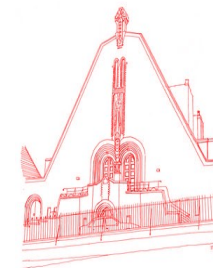
Willie Burns,
Sarah Munro,
Kenneth Munro,
Gerard Gillan,
Frances Black,
Christina Black McInnes,
John Black,
Margaret McCann.



ST. PATRICK'S BULLETIN

St. Patrick's Presbytery,
5 Orangefield Place,
Greenock, PA15 1YX.

Parish Priest: Rev. Gerard Gallagher



20th. April 2025

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

SUNDAY MASS: Saturday Vigil; 5.30pm Sunday: 9.30am & 11.00am

Sunday Readings: EASTER SUNDAY

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday-Saturday: 10.00am

Weekday Readings: OCTAVE OF EASTER

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Friday: 9.00-9.30am

PENANCE & RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 10.30am & 4.45-5.15pm
(in the Cry Chapel) & on request.

Divine Office: OCTAVE OF EASTER Psalms: Week 1

Baptism: Sunday after 11.00am Mass

Marriage: Please give at least 6 month's notice of Marriage.

TODAY'S LITURGY

1st. Reading: Acts 10.34,37-43

'We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.'

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 117

R./ This is the day LORD has made;
let us rejoice in it and be glad.

2nd. Reading: Colossians 3.1-4

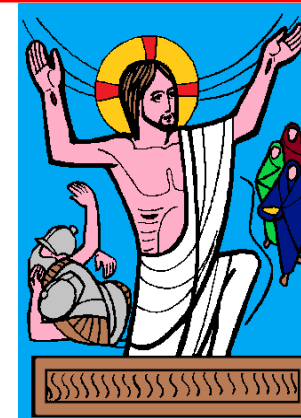
'Seek the things that are above, where Christ is.'

THE SEQUENCE OF EASTER: Paschal Victim

Gospel Acclamation

THE GOSPEL: John 20.1-9

He must rise from the dead.



Today's Liturgy: Peter claims to have eaten and drunk with the Risen Lord. The Gospel says he is the first to enter the empty tomb, but the Beloved Disciple is the first to believe. Our own Easter joy is complete when today, as beloved disciples, we eat and drink in faith-filled Communion together.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Parish Hall to help:

Sunday 12.00pm & Tuesday: 7.00pm

Parish helpline, please call:

07907876505.



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EASTERTIME 2025

A happy, blessed and peaceful Easter to everyone.

During Eastertime at Sunday Mass we will begin Mass with the **Sprinkling with the Easter Water** as a reminder of our Baptism. This will take the place of the Penitential Rite.

EASTER SUNDAY: Today at Mass we will **renew our Baptismal Promises** as our Profession of Faith. On the other Sundays of Easter we will continue to use the **Apostles Creed** as our Profession of Faith.

WEEKDAY MASS

This week:

Monday-Saturday: 10.00am

Tuesday 10.00am: Funeral Mass of **Catherine Loughran, R.I.P.**

PARISH HALL EVENTS

TEA & COFFEE in the Parish Hall today after 11.00am Mass.

PARISH FINANCE

THANK YOU for the last week's **Offertory Collection** which came to **£1,251.42.**

PARISH STALL has a wide selection of Easter Cards and cards suitable for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. **The stall is in the Parish Hall and is open after 11.00am Mass on Sunday.**

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION on **Sunday 27th April** in **St. John the Baptist Church, Port Glasgow at 2.00pm.** The Service begins with a Holy Hour, followed by Confessions at 3.00pm and concludes with Benediction at 3.45pm.

JUBILEE CLUSTER MASS The HOLY YEAR Mass for St. Columba's Cluster will take place on **Monday 28th. April** in **St. Joseph's, Greenock, at 7.00pm.** All welcome.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped to prepare the Church and to celebrate the Liturgies of Holy Week and to all who turned out to join in the Liturgies and to those who were with us on-line. A great deal of hard work resulted in the church looking its best and our liturgies being beautiful celebrations of this most important week in the Church's year.

IRH CHAPLAINCY We have a catholic chaplaincy team who are happy to visit patients in the hospital for non-emergency visits. Please let Fr. Gerry know that you or your relative would like a visit from a catholic chaplain.



PRO-LIFE MATTERS

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE CHAIN, EDINBURGH On **Saturday 26th. April**, from **11.00am-1.00pm**, on **Lothian Road, Edinburgh**, Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) annual Pro-life Chain. This date recalls when the 1967 Abortion Act came into effect and the almost 11 million unborn children lost to abortion since that date. Please consider joining the chain and standing shoulder to shoulder in defence of life.

GRIEF TO GRACE A Healing Retreat for Victims of Abuse, 29th. April to 4th. May in Perth. This is a specialised 5-day programme of healing for anyone who has suffered from sexual, physical, or emotional abuse or neglect in childhood, adolescence or adulthood, including those abused by a religious/member of the clergy. If you are interested in this confidential healing retreat, please contact: Grief to Grace (Scotland) at margaret.clarke@griefftoGraceuk.org

80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF WORLD WAR 2 On the 8th of May, we will commemorate the 80th anniversary of the end of WWII in Europe. To participate in the commemoration, promote peace and remember those who have perished (soldiers and civilians), the **Diocesan Archive hopes to gather stories and testimonies from Catholic families and individuals** who lived within the actual boundaries of the Diocese of Paisley during WWII. Do you wish to honour the memory of your relative who fought/died during WWII? Do you have interesting anecdotes on your life/a relative's life as a Catholic during the conflict? Do you have pictures or bulletins of our parishes dating

from that time? If so, you can fill up a form on the following page: <https://rcdop.org.uk/diocesan-archive>

NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

are available for collection. Thanks to everyone who has taken envelopes or signed a Gift Aid Certificate and/or Standing Order.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES may be collected from the back porch of the church and are allocated unless you have signed up to pay by standing order or by cheque, in which case you do not need allocated envelopes.

PLEASE put your name & address on the envelopes for the first three weeks of use.

NON GIFT AID ENVELOPES may be collected from the side doors of the church and are not allocated. Please simply pick up a box of envelopes.

PLEASE put your name & address on the envelopes for the first three weeks of use.

STANDING ORDER If you would like to pay by standing order, forms are available in the sacristy today.

GIFT AID If you would like to sign up to Gift Aid, forms are available in the sacristy.

Only three things are required:

1. You contribute to the parish in a way which can be recorded (envelopes, standing order, cheque);
2. You pay tax at the normal rate;
3. You sign a Gift Aid form.

Gift Aid does not cost you any more than you already give in the Collections.
