

**Lenten message from Bishop Toal:** In the Liturgy for Ash Wednesday a choice is offered in the words said as the mark of the ashes in the sign of the cross is made on our foreheads. One choice – “remember that you are dust and to dust you will return” – emphasises our mortality and the inevitability of death. It is quite a stark statement which calls us to attention and a renewed preparedness for our own death. The alternative – “Repent and believe in the Gospel” - calls us to conversion through repentance for our sins and a renewal of our faith in the Gospel. The penance undertaken through the course of Lent puts into effect the words heard on Ash Wednesday as we strive to interiorise the mark of the ashes on our foreheads. We humbly recognise that our chosen penance can be difficult to sustain as is the case with our inner conversion and our following of the Lord and his teachings. In fact we know that unless we allow the grace of God, gifted to us by Our Lord Jesus Christ, to work within us our own efforts result in failure and disappointment.

**Please pray for our sick and housebound and for those who care for them:**

Lorraine Tamburrini, Jo Reilly, Graham White, Ellen Kelly, Lily Halleron, Bernadette Coogans, Nan Martin, Richard Tamburrini, Chris Cusack, Ann O’Neil, Pat Fullarton, Lorraine O’Donnell, Jack McLaughlin, Mary Hoban, Ann Robb, Rose Drumgold, Cathie Spiers, Joseph Gallagher, Robert Moffat, Elizabeth Graham, Jim McFarlane, Helen PaynteRyan, Fr Michael O’Leary, Elizabeth Hunter, Patricia Thomson, Alec Cowan, John Kane, Richard O’Donnell, Harry Sheridan, Jim Thornbury, Sheila Torrance, Alice Nimmo, Frank Mellon, Iris Fraser, Lyndsay McMahan, Michael McShane, Joe McGhee, May Muir, Laura Cunningham, Olivia Anderson, Mariella Findlay, Margaret McPhail, Daphne Dowie, Maureen Russell, Albert Di Maio, Mark Di Maio, Derek O’Neil, Josephine Smith, Phil Moran, Betty Moran, Mgr Peter Smith, Matthew Craig, Nan Cassidy, Peter McCormack, GinaTaylor, Nick Ridout, James Harkins, May Black, Maureen Croke, Chiv Brown, Rosemary Jackson, Peter Burke, Jane McNamara, Margaret Robertson, Alisson Tipiciano Canchari, John McFadden, Frank Torrance, Christopher Torrance, Mario Coia, Mary McCarney, Colum Maguire, John Dynan, Jim McManus, Pauline Johnston, Allan Dick, Clare Hughes, Eddie O’Hara, Margaret Robertson, Eileen Mullan, Edward Williamson & Patricia Williamson, Hollie Grashion, Frank McCabe, Rosa Maria Santos, Anna Callaghan, Nan Hastings, May Mulherne.

**Anniversaries:** Margaret Donachy (1st Anniversary 15th March), John & Mary Handley, Alan Richmond, Desmond Dickson, Wilma Kealy, Bobby Hughes, James Matthew Stewart, Eddie Callaghan, Hugh McCorry.

**Recently dead:** Betty Quinn, Margaret Ita Jenner (Australia), Catriona Nairn (Newton Mearns), David Killpatrick, Gerard Donnelly (Motherwell), Elizabeth Ure.

**Months Mind:** Cecilia M Muldoon.

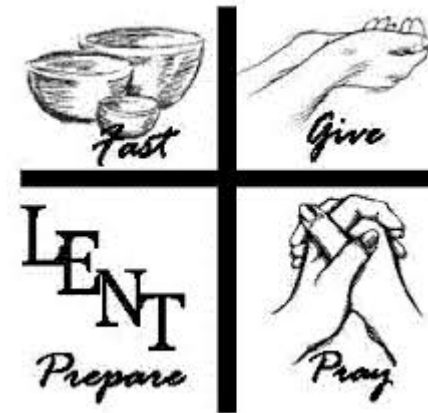
*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

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**Sunday 12th March 2017**



## ***Second Sunday of Lent***

### **Masses**

Tuesday & Thursday 7.00am  
Monday - Saturday 10.00am  
Saturday 6.00pm Vigil  
Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am,  
6.00pm.

### **Confessions**

After Saturday morning and  
Vigil Mass ,  
and on request.

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**Feasts this week:** *Friday*, St. John Ogilvie.

**Lenten Services in our church:** Early morning Masses - 7.00am on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as Mass at 10.00am Monday to Saturday.

Wednesdays : Exposition of Blessed Sacrament at 9.00am followed by Morning Prayer 9.40am and Mass at 10.00am.

**Thursday this week:** There will be no Holy Hour /Stations of Cross due to Evening of Recollection

**Evening of Recollection:** There will be an evening of recollection in the Parish Centre on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7.15pm led by Fr. Tom Magill. We invite especially those involved in any kind of ministry in the Parish including Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Legion of Mary, SVDP, Divine Mercy Prayer Group, Bereavement Group, RCIA, Children's Liturgy Team, Passkeepers, Church Cleaners, Phoenix Club and Third World Group. The invitation is open to all those who wish to attend.

**Lenten Studies:** This year the Studies take place at the East Mains Baptist Church in the Village on Fridays at 12.30pm followed by a light lunch, aiming to finish by 1.30pm. . This is open for all those who wish to attend. The next meeting will be on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. .

**Faith Sharing Groups:** During Lent we have a faith sharing group on Sunday evenings in the Parish Centre from 7.15pm lasting about 90 minutes.

**St. Patrick's Missionary Society** sends us their thanks for the stamps. They ask for no more than an inch or so around each stamp.

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is **Frank Bonner**. Please collect your prize from the sacristy.

Last Sunday after all Masses our Slovakian friends, Marek & Lucy Mikurdova were collecting money for **Emanuel's Ranch**. They extend their gratitude to parishioners for the collection of £965,48 and to SVDP for a donation of £500.

The Collection last Sunday was £1,776.57 inclusive of monies for Renovation Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

**Third World Group:** Meeting in the library at 7.30 pm on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March. On 19<sup>th</sup> March we will again be providing rolls and sausage/bacon, tea/coffee after 9.30 Mass. £2 per person. The annual Millport cycle run will be on 4<sup>th</sup> June. Our popular Quiz Night will be held Sept/Oct. Details to follow. Anyone requiring further information can contact Aileen on 228437.

**Readers' Rota:** The latest Readers' Rota (16 March – 26 April) for 10am Monday to Friday Mass is displayed on the noticeboards at the back of the church and in the sacristy, as well as on the website.

**St Andrew's Hospice:** Make or update your Will and support St Andrew's Hospice during the month of March. Several Lanarkshire Legal Firms have agreed to write a basic Will and waive their legal fee, in return for a donation to St Andrew's Hospice. For further information please contact Lorna McCafferty, Trust Fundraising Officer at St Andrew's Hospice on 01236 772087 or email [lorna.mccafferty@standrews.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:lorna.mccafferty@standrews.scot.nhs.uk)

**Holiday Group:** A spring weekend is planned based in Rhyl, North Wales. Friday 21<sup>st</sup>-Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April. Enquiries – please contact Marion on tel. 223088.

**Sea Sunday:** Next Sunday (19<sup>th</sup> March) will be Sea Sunday in our parish. The Apostleship of the Sea will have speakers at all Masses. Special collection will be taken up for their work.

**St. Patrick's Night Social :** This Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March from 7.30pm .

Next Thursday there will be a tombola at the **Coffee Morning**. The proceeds will go to the church repairs.

St Augustine's Choir **Lenten Choral Concert**. The date this year is Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm. The venue is St Augustine's Church, Coatbridge. Tickets costing £4 are available from the church shop, Kairos Cafe, or pay at the door on the night. There is no cost for under 16s.

This month's **Pro-Life Mass** is on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> March in Bl. John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, Gorbals G5 0YT. There will be Adoration at 6pm, followed by Rosary at 7pm and Mass at 7.30pm, with tea and biscuits afterwards. The celebrant will be Fr Paul Brady.

#### **FOR OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

**First Communion Preparation:** The sacramental preparation programme for First Communicants started last Sunday in the Parish Centre at 9:30am. The programme lasts 4 weeks (Sundays 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> March). Please bring the children to Parish Centre. The children will come back into the church at the Offertory, at the same time as those attending Children's Liturgy.

**St Andrew's and St Bride's High School:** 8.20am Mass will be celebrated in the school oratory on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

**Reconciliation:** On this Monday at 7 pm sixty P3 students from St. Kenneth's Primary will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in their lives.

**St Hilary's Primary** school are once again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. The vouchers allow the school to purchase sports and other equipment. If you have any vouchers which you would like to donate then there will be a collection box at the back of the church. Please remember to ask for the vouchers in Sainsburys if you don't usually collect them as more vouchers mean more equipment.