

**Lenten Studies:** This year our Lenten Bible study will continue on Friday 12 March from 11.00 am to 12.00 noon. The zoom link and sign in code are as follows: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81482279764>. Sign in code: **814 8227 9764**. These will also be posted on our Facebook and Twitter pages. Help with be on hand for all those not familiar with zoom.

**Third World Group Ash Wednesday Appeal:** We are happy to be able to report that the Ash Wednesday Appeal raised £2,765. A heartfelt thanks on behalf of the Third World Group. £2,000 has been sent to Sister Eleanor in Nairobi and £1,000 to Sister Eunice in Mutare, Zimbabwe.

**Club 200:** This week's £60 winner is Sadie Burns. Please contact Fr Rafal for details on how to collect your cheque. The Current Parish Loan stands at £290,349.34.

**Collections During the lockdown:** Offerings, cheques, gift aid envelopes can be posted to the Church or through the door of the Chapel House. Alternatively, offerings can be made by bank transfer, the details of which are as follows: St Brides, Sort Code: 82-62-24, Account Number: 40500017. Thank you for any support and generosity during this difficult time. During the period between 4 January and 1 February the collections/donations handed to church and Chapel House amounted £1,865.00 of which £1,375.00 was gift aided. Thank you.

**SSVP:** During the pandemic you may wish to make any donations to St Bride's SSVP via bank transfer. Details: Bank: Clydesdale Bank, E.K. Town Centre; Account Name: SSVP MW 05015; Account Number: 20538417; Sort Code: 82 62 24.

**Anniversaries:** Annie Flaherty, Thomas Flaherty, Maureen Hughes, Anne Turner (nee Hughes), Desmond Dickson, Andrew McShane.

**Recently Dead:** John McGhee, Mary McGhee, Margaret Byrne (Glasgow), Jim McMahan (Hamilton).

*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 7 March 2021***  
***3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent – Year B***



### ***Masses***

*Monday - Saturday 10.00 am*

*Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil Mass*

*Sunday 9.30 am, 11.30 am and 6.00 pm.*

### ***Thursday***

*Stations of the Cross at 7.00 pm followed  
by the Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament at 7.30pm*

*Confessions - On request*

**Feast Day:** Wednesday 10 March, *St John Ogilvie*.

Mass is being streamed live at 10.00am Monday to Saturday and at 9.30am on Sunday. *In view of the First Minister's statement last month, we hope that the Church may be allowed to open in time for Easter, but possibly with a limited number of Parishioners.* Only 5 people can attend weddings and 20 at funerals. We can accept food donations and do food distribution. Any questions regarding Masses please telephone 07999 551680. All updates will be posted on the Parish Facebook page.

**SPRED:** Lorraine Cunningham will be leading weekly Novena prayers for the restoration of SPRED beginning on Tuesday 16 February at 7.00 pm and running for 9 consecutive weeks. These will be streamed live to the SPRED Motherwell Facebook page and will last 20 to 30 minutes.

**World Day of Prayer:** The annual global World Day of Prayer will take place on Friday 5 March. Starting on Tuesday 23 February and every day until The World Day of Prayer on 5 March, a series of articles about the island of Vanuatu will be published on the World Day of Prayer Scotland Facebook Page and can be accessed on the link below: [www.wdpScotland.org.uk](http://www.wdpScotland.org.uk)

**Mary's Meals:** The people of Tigray in Ethiopia urgently need our help. Due to brutal fighting in the region, frightened families have been forced to flee their homes and millions are living in fear of starvation. Please see the Parish Facebook and Twitter pages for details on how to donate.

**The 2021 Lenten Programme** begins with the Online Lenten Retreat, '*Knowing Jesus*'. The daily readings, reflections, picture and music can be found by clicking [here](#). The online **Stations of the Cross from the Holy Land** starts on 19 Feb 2021, [Registration Form](#). The online **Holy Week Series 'From and in the Holy Land'**, starts on 28 March 2021, [Registration](#). Further details for the events on the Lenten Programme are available on the Parish Facebook and Twitter pages.

**Stations of the Cross** will be streamed live from our Church every Thursday at 7.00 pm, followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7.30pm.

**Journeying with Jesus:** Join people from throughout the diocese for 30 minutes of prayer and reflection on four Sundays of Lent. To register your interest please email [missions@rcdom.org.uk](mailto:missions@rcdom.org.uk)

**Faith and Art** will look at some of the world's greatest masterpieces depicting the Easter events, i.e. the Last Supper, the Crucifixion and the triumphant Resurrection. The talks will be led by art historian, Sarah Burles, alumna of Cambridge University and University College London. The course will be run on Zoom and take place over 4 weeks. All the talks will be fully illustrated and lists of works provided. The talks will also be recorded, allowing you to do the course in your own time or catch up if you miss a live talk. The course will take place on Wednesday 10, 17, 24, 31 March at from 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm at a cost of £60. To book the course please email [info@pilgrimagepeople.org](mailto:info@pilgrimagepeople.org). The link for those joining is <https://www.pilgrimagepeople.org/>

**Ecumenical Call to Prayer:** The link for this Sunday evening's Ecumenical Call to Pray at 7.00pm is given below.

<https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news-and-events/news/2021/christians-across-scotland-will-join-in-prayer-this-sunday>

### Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament,  
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
As though You have already come,  
I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

**Year of St Joseph:** At the end of the morning Mass on Mondays we will be saying the following prayer to St Joseph during the whole year of St Joseph.

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.  
Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

**St Aloysius' College** is delighted to welcome three Jesuits for the **Gonzaga lectures** this year on Wednesday 10, 17, and 24 March at 7.00 pm. To find out more about each lecture, or to book your free place, please click [here](#).

The Diocese are due to be externally audited by Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE). The independent team want to hear from individuals with first-hand experience of how people in diocesan roles have responded, or failed to respond to disclosures of abuse or sharing of concerns. This information is also advertised on the Diocesan website and will go out via Diocesan social media channels. It will be shared on our parish media as well. Below is a very short, anonymous, questionnaire created by the SCIE auditing team, they are keen to gather feedback at a parish level about Safeguarding within the Diocese, please take a few minutes to provide feedback. The information goes straight to the auditing team, not the Diocese. Link for SCIE Independent Diocesan Safeguarding audit:

<https://r1.dotdigital-pages.com/p/405-JOM/diocesan-safeguarding-audit-survey-catholic-church-in-scotland>