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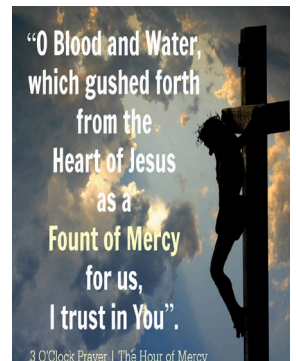
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Palm Sunday B 24th March, 2024 Holy Mass & Services

Mon - Fri: 10am

Saturday: 10am, 4pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 10am, 12 Noon & 5pm

Children's Liturgy 12 Noon Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: -Mon - Sat 9am - 9.55am

Divine Mercy Novena: Mon 2pm

Confessions: Mon - Sun 9.30am - 9.55am

Baptisms & Marriage: - To arrange a baptism or marriage please contact Father Ghislain

Parish Mass Book, Page 88

- First Reading: Is 50 4-7
- Responsorial Psalm **My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**
- Second Reading: Phil 2: 6-11
- Gospel: Mk 14: 1-15:47

Weekly Collection

Please support your Parish through the weekly collection, our income relies solely on the donations of our parishioners.

Last week's collection

First Collection: £716.43

There is a second collection this weekend for our building repair

Thank you for your generosity.

500 Club Winners

1st Prize: M McCann (94)

2^{ns} Prize: G Crawford (114)

3rd Prize: K Thomson (79)

Please keep in your prayers

Sick: Ann & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb, Isobel Reilly, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke, Anne Marie Snodden, James Donnelly, Kelly Noble, Michael McGarrity, Sadie McBride, Mary Torbett, Sharon, Elizabeth McKenna, Alex Cooper, Sr Kathleen Owens; Ann Smith, Helen Smith, Alice Kilmurry, Danny Dick, Peter Alexander, Ann McAlinden, Mary Cunningham, Patricia McGhee, Margaret Wallace, Irene Leckie, Kay McDonagh, Mary Glasgow, John Slevin, Andrew Maxwell, Kerry Marshall, John Paul Devlin, Caroline Miller, Carrie Miller, Mathew Miller, Maria Bolton, John Paul Devlin, Thomas Lally, Marion Moran, Sadie Harkin, John Paul Devlin, James Brown, Jim McCormick, Karen McGuigan, Alice Gallagher, John Lannigan, Kitty Thompson

RIP: A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of Peter McLaughlin on Tuesday 26th March at 10am. His body will be received into the Church on Monday 25th March at 6pm. A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of Janet (Netta) Maguinness on Wednesday 27th March at 10am. Her body will be received into the Church on Tuesday 26th March at 7pm. Terry Walsh (Motherwell)

Month's Mind: Gerald Joseph Murphy, John Dillon, John, Margaret, Anne Marie, & James Deigan, Mr & Mrs Peter Deigan & Brian, Mr & Mrs Deigan Snr & Jnr, Mr & Mrs John Fagan, Mr & Mrs Prost, Mr & Mrs Frank Grant & Marie, Mr & Mrs Tommy Deigan, Jack Gill, Ryan Brown, Margaret McAvoy, John, Jim, Michael & Teresa McAlinden, Kay & Jim McKenna, Claire Rooney, John, Catherine, John, Pat & Josephine Rennie, Thomas & Tommy Docherty, Tommy Gallagher

Anniversaries: Elizabeth Dillon, Frank Hagan, Elizabeth (Betty) Cairns, Catherine McAlinden, Annie Docherty

Please also remember the souls who have no-one to pray for them.

Meaning of Amen when receiving the Holy communion:

When receiving the **Body of Christ** during Holy Communion, saying "**Amen**" holds significant meaning.

1. **Assent of Faith:** By saying "**Amen**", we express our faith and belief that Jesus Christ is truly present in the Host we receive – Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. **It signifies our acceptance of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.**
2. **Act of Adoration:** Beyond mere affirmation, saying "**Amen**" is an act of worship. It is our way of saying "yes" to Christ Himself, acknowledging His love and desire for us to be united with Him. when you say "**Amen**", you are participating in a profound moment of faith and adoration. It signifies your belief in the Real Presence and your willingness to receive Christ Himself. On Holy Thursday, Last supper there is possibility to receive the Holy communion on both kind if you wish. The extraordinary minister of the eucharist will renew their commitment in the service to bring the Holy communion to the sick and housebound.

All you need to know about the Holy week.

Holy Week is the most solemn and glorious week in Christianity, the pinnacle of the liturgical year. It's more sacred than Christmas! This is because Holy Week commemorates the final week of Our Lord's life, the very purpose for which Christmas happened.

The Sacred Triduum is one great festival recounting the last three days of Jesus' life on earth, the events of his Passion and Resurrection, when the Lamb of God laid down his life in atonement for our sins.

The evening Mass on Holy Thursday is referred to as *The Mass of the Lord's Supper*. This is where the Church re-lives the institution of the Eucharist and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Last Supper, as well as the institution of the priesthood, which took place the evening before Jesus was crucified.

After the homily there is a "washing of the feet" ceremony, where the priest washes the feet of others to signify his role as servant – Extra hosts are consecrated at this Mass to be used on Good Friday when no Mass will be celebrated.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday concludes with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the "altar of repose," a place where the consecrated Host is kept, away from the main altar where Mass is normally celebrated.

Good Friday is a mandatory day of fasting and abstinence. This is the day of the crucifixion, the day Jesus died for the sins of the world. The parish altar looks very different on Good Friday: it is plain and bare. There is no consecrated Host in the tabernacle at the main altar of the church; it was carried away on Holy Thursday night to the "altar of repose" to signify Jesus' death.

These Good Friday services often take place at 3 p.m., the hour that Jesus breathed his last on the cross. Often the priest will begin the service by prostrating himself in front of the altar. Veneration of the Cross takes place at this service, in which the priest and the faithful kneel before a cross and kiss it.

Holy Saturday: On this day Christ is in the tomb. It is still a day of fasting and sorrow before the Easter Vigil begins that evening. We recall, with Mary and the disciples, that Jesus died and was separated from them for the first time as He lay in the tomb. The faithful often continue their Good Friday fast through Holy Saturday. Jesus descended to the realm of the dead on Holy Saturday to save the righteous souls

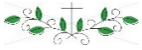
Easter Vigil / Easter Sunday: A vigil Mass is held after nightfall on Holy Saturday, or before dawn on Easter Sunday, in celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. This is called the Easter Vigil: the most glorious, beautiful, and dramatic liturgy for the Church. The vigil is divided into four parts and can last up to three hours: 1) the Service of Light, 2) the Liturgy of the Word, 3) the Liturgy of Baptism, and 4) the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Easter Sunday is what we've all been waiting for! The forty days of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent was in preparation for this day, when our hearts and souls can drink in deeply the culmination of the Paschal mystery: the Resurrection.

Holy Week & Easter Triduum Schedule

Holy Monday 25th March

7.30am Earlier Mass
9.30am: Holy Rosary
9.30am 9.55am: Confessions
10.00am: Holy Mass
6.00pm Reception of the body of Peter
McLaughlin into the church
7.00pm: Stations of the Cross



Holy Tuesday 26th March

9.30am: Holy Rosary
9.30am - 9.55am: Confessions
10.00am: Requiem Mass for
Peter McLaughlin
7.00pm: Reception of the body of
Janet Maguinness into the Church

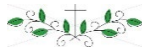


Spy Wednesday 27th March

9.30am: Holy Rosary
9.30am - 9.55am: Confessions
10.00am: Requiem Mass for Janet
Maguinness

Easter Sunday 31st March

10.00am, 12 Noon: Holy Mass of the Resurrection
(There will be no 5pm Mass)



Church Easter Decorations

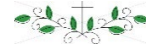
There is a box at the back of the church
if you would like to contribute towards the
costs for the flowers for our church this Easter

Good Friday

A special collection will be taken up for
the Holy Place

Holy Thursday 28th March

9.30am: Morning Prayer
10am: Stations of the Cross with the Primary
School
11.00am: Chrism Mass (Motherwell
Cathedral)
7.00pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper



Good Friday 29th March

9.30am: Holy Rosary
10.00am: Morning Prayer
12 Noon: Stations of the Cross
3.00pm & 7.00pm: Passion of the Lord &
Veneration of the Cross



Holy Saturday 30th March

9.30am: Holy Rosary
10.00am: Morning Prayers
7.30pm: Solemn Easter Vigil

Holy Monday

The Church will be open all day for personal
Prayer. If you can spare some time to keep
guard in the church, please add your name to
the schedule in the church porch.

Day by Day Easter Readings

There are still some books for sale in the
church stall. **Price £1.00**



To everyone who came along on Saturday and helped with our church spring clean.

As always, your help is very much appreciated.



Please collect your Blessed Palm at Mass today and feel free to take extra palms for housebound family and neighbours



*Have a lovely weekend
and a Blessed Holy Week*