

St Monica's Parish

Diocese of Motherwell

Charity No. SC011041

1st Sunday of Lent (Year C) 6th March 2022

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Church Services

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Saturday: 9am-9.55am

SUNDAY MASSES: Vigil at 4pm
10am (livestream) 12 Noon & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday – Saturday 10am

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA: Monday 2pm

CONFESSIONS: 30min before the Mass in the sacristy

BAPTISMS: Please speak to Fr Ghislain

MARRIAGES: Please speak to Fr Ghislain.

Please note 6 months' notice is required.

Parish Hall: Contact Kelly McColl on 07464254377
or email stmonicashall@outlook.com

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First Reading: Dt 26: 4-10

Responsorial Psalm: **Be with me, O Lord, in my distress**

Second Reading: Rom 10: 8-13

Gospel: Lk 4:1-13

Sunday Mass Obligation

A strong part for us as Catholics in being alive and ready is our participation in the life and worship of the Church, and this is particularly important as we recover from the damaging effects of the pandemic which has disrupted so much of what we normally do. For this reason, **we are restoring in Scotland the Sunday Obligation to attend Holy Mass from the 1st Sunday of Lent, March 6th, and I encourage all those who are well and able to come to Mass.** It is our way of living our faith and reaching out to God in our great need. We are never disappointed because the Lord is truly with us in the mysteries we celebrate and fills us with his love, mercy and peace, making us able to face whatever lies ahead for ourselves and our world. We need the Lord, and we need to come to him and know his saving power in our lives, and "Now is the favourable time, this is the day of salvation" as St Paul instructs us on Ash Wednesday.



Offertory Collection: £931.06

Building Fund Collection: £110.00

**There will be a special collection for Ukraine
on the 2nd Sunday of Lent
12th/13th March**

Many thanks for your great generosity and support

Weekly Offering

If you wish to donate your weekly offering to the parish online, below are the parish bank details.

Account Name: RCDM St Monica's

Sort Code: 83 17 13

Account Number: 00163062

Holy Water Fonts

Holy water is available again. You are encouraged to bless yourselves as you come into the church, a reminder of our baptism.

**500 CLUB
WINNERS
£££**

1st Prize No.450 B Burns

2nd Prize No. 110 S Kane

3rd Prize No. 21 K Hannah

Altar Servies Meeting 8 March

There will be a meeting for our altar servers on **Tuesday 8 March at 6pm.**

Anyone interested in becoming an altar server is welcome to come along

Parish Synod Meeting

Our next Parish Synod meeting will take place on Thursday 10th March at 6.30pm in the Church.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

First Communion & Confirmation

Children who are due to celebrate these sacraments are encouraged to attend weekend masses (Saturday or Sunday).

Please remember to get your card signed by Father Ghislain

Bring flowers of the rarest.

During Lent season, the altar is striped of all adornment. If you would like to contribute to flowers for easter, we will appreciate any donation of flowers/plants.

Lent reflection.

There will a reflection on **Tuesday 5th April** in the church at **6.30pm** for the young adult, between from 15 and 40 years old.

The theme is Eucharist.

Gift Aid Explained

Gift Aid is one of the simplest and most effective ways of giving to our parish. It is a scheme administered by the Inland Revenue which allows us to claim 25p for every £1 that you donate. So, for example, if you donate £5 in your weekly offering then we can claim back an extra £1.25 per week from the Government making your weekly offering £6.25.

No set amount has to be paid every week and we will only claim back from the government 25% of the total amount you have donated for the year.

This is an excellent way to boost our building fund which will allow us to get the much-needed works carried out in our church quicker.

There are two ways to give your weekly offering so that the Church can claim back from the government the extra 25%.

1. Complete the Gift Aid Form and set up a direct debit with your bank.
2. Complete the form and you will be given donation envelopes to allow you to place your weekly offering in the collection basket.

Nothing further from you is required.

At the end of each financial year your donation for the year is tallied up and then presented by the Diocesan Finance Team to the Inland Revenue and they then send us 25% of your total donation. To sign up to the Gift Aid Scheme all you have to be is a UK taxpayer. This can be done if you work and pay tax or if you pay tax on your pension. The Gift Aid Form is on our website or can be collected from the end of the pews in the church.

We would encourage anyone who currently pays tax to support our Church refurbishment and sign up today to the Gift Aid Scheme.

If you require any further information on the scheme or assistance completing the form, someone will be at the back of the church this weekend to assist after mass.

Please seriously consider signing up today!

Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross every Monday at 6pm during Lent.

"Palais Night"

In aid of Fr Bernard – Zambia Projects

Venue: Bank Social Club

Date: Monday 28 March 7pm - late

Tickets: £8.00 (Inc. Pie & Peas)

Available from Isabella/Alex

01236 428493/07967112568

Please remember in your prayers

Recently Dead: Hannah McGrath Patrick Thompson.

Sick: Niamh Cassidy, Ann & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb, Michael McAdams, Nicolas Hardy, Isobel Reilly, Gerald McDonald, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke, Janey Mullen, Ben McGovern, Anne Marie Snodden, Catherine Donnelly, James Donnelly, Alice Lindsay, Patricia McGhee, Bernadette Homer, Betty McKenna, Kelly Noble

Month's Mind: Danny Watson Snr, Danny Watson Jnr, Rose McKeown, Agnes, Peter & Frankie Waitkins, Vincent, Etta & Elizabeth McKeown, May & Paul Conway, Bill Paul, Lawrence Molloy, Ben & Agnes Ferrie, Hamilton, Annie, Jim, John & Steven Pettigrew, John McGregor, Charles & Isabel O'Hagan, George Ferguson, Brian Lowe, Daniel, John, James, John Anthony & Stacey Duggan, Peter Burns, Linda Ann Irvine, James, Elizabeth & Sadie Prunty

Anniversaries: Norman MacLean, Justin Waitkins, Agnes & Tom J. Murphy, Mary & John McPhee, Catherine Duggan

Baptism: We welcome Carleigh Sarah Johnston; we implore God's blessing upon her and her family as we welcome her into our parish community.

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

Services this week		
Monday	8am 10am 6pm	Holy Mass Stations of the Cross
Tuesday	8am 10am	Holy Mass Requiem Mass for Hannah McGrath
Wednesday	8am 10am 7pm	Holy Mass
Thursday	8am 10am	Holy Mass
Friday	10am	Holy Mass
Saturday	10am 4pm	Holy Mass Vigil Mass
Sunday 2nd Sunday of Lent – C	10am 12 Noon & 5pm	Holy Mass