

St Mary's Lanark

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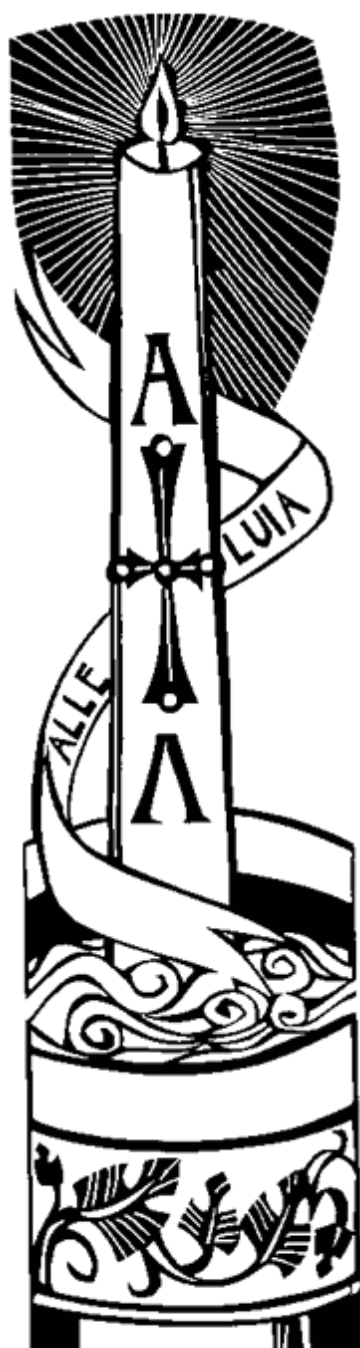
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Easter Sunday

20th April 2025

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



Easter Sunday is both the third day of the Triduum and the first day of the season of Easter. The first eight days of the season, the octave of Easter, are celebrated as solemnities of the Lord. The Sundays of Easter take precedence over all other solemnities and feasts. The Ascension is celebrated on the fortieth day after Easter. The fiftieth and last day is the feast of Pentecost. These fifty days are an unbroken celebration of the victory of the risen Lord; they are celebrated as one feast day, sometimes called 'the great Sunday.'

Throughout this festive season, alleluias are sung and the Easter candle stands in the midst of the assembly. Christ is risen, reigns glorious with the Father, and is present through the gift of the Spirit. This is the Easter mystery that is celebrated in the symbolic period of fifty days.

The Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel of John are at the heart of the Liturgy of the Word throughout the fifty days of Easter. The Gospel according to St John offers the community of faith an opportunity to deepen its understanding of the central place that Christ's dying and rising, the paschal mystery, occupies in its life. The Acts of the Apostles shows how the Church derives its entire life from this mystery and its ultimate fruit, the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The special prefaces and the solemn blessings for the season of Easter serve to reinforce the paschal character of the Scripture readings for the season.

The solemn Easter dismissal with its alleluias is used during the octave of Easter and on Pentecost Sunday.

Resurexit Sicut Dixit
He has risen as He said.

Weekly Parish Schedule

Daily Mass & Devotions from St Mary's are broadcast on the parish YouTube Channel.

Sunday 20th April - Easter Day

10.30am Holy Mass for Easter Sunday (St Mary's)

11.15am Easter Coffee Morning & Raffle (St Mary's Clubrooms)

12noon Holy Mass for Easter Sunday (Holy Trinity)

Monday 21st April *St Mary's Church will be opened Monday - Friday from 8am until 3pm*

10.40am Recitation of the Holy Rosary

11.00am Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Tony Murphy

Tuesday 22nd April

11.40am Recitation of the Holy Rosary

12noon Regina Caeli & Holy Mass

Wednesday 23rd April

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary

9.30am Holy Mass

10.00am Church Cleaning

7.00pm Online Zoom Rosary (Meeting ID: 832 0468 2198 Passcode: 746256)

Thursday 24th April

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary

9.30am Holy Mass

Friday 25th April

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary

9.30am Holy Mass

Saturday 26th April *St Mary's Church will open at 8am and close after the 5pm Mass*

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary

9.30am Holy Mass

4.30am Recitation of the Holy Rosary

5.00pm Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (St Mary's)

Sunday 27th April *St Mary's Church will close after the 5pm Mass*

10.30am Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (St Mary's)

12noon Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (Holy Trinity)

5.00pm Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (St Mary's)



St Mary's Ministry Rota

Readers:

19th/20th April

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26th/27th April

5.00pm A. Haetzman

10.30am E. Crossan

5.00pm S. Casserly

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

19th/20th April

8.30pm F. McBride

R. Sinton

10.30am G. Duddy
A. Gillespie
M. Keenan

26th/27th April

5.00pm A. Dempsey

J. McBride

10.30am J. Littlejohn
A. O'Neill
N. Keenan

St Mary's Easter Raffle/Coffee Morning

The next Coffee Morning will take place today, **Sunday 20th April**, after 10.30am Mass. The Easter Raffle Draw will also take place at this event. Raffle tickets available from the Social Committee.

Donations for raffle prizes will be gratefully received. Thank you for your continued support.

St Mary's Readers

Thank you to the parish readers who completed and returned the relevant form to be part of the readers rota in St Mary's. We are still sitting quite low for numbers, and it would be nice if we could have more readers to assist. If you would like to volunteer please complete and return the form located in the stall. Thank you.

Parish Weekly Finances

Offertory Collection & Donations:	£ 1,481.00
Standing Orders:	£ 428.50
Votives:	£ 195.00
Stall:	£ 130.00
Holy Places:	£ 645.00

Thank You

A huge thank you to the Choir of St Mary's for leading us in our Sacred Triduum, and to the florists, sacristans, passkeepers, church cleaners and those who helped prepare our church for the Triduum.

A special thank you to St Mary's Social Committee for their continued dedication and charisma organising the Easter Coffee Morning and other social events.

St Mary's Quiz Night

St Mary's Social Committee are hosting a Quiz Night on **Friday 16th May 2025**.

Clubrooms will open at 7pm with Quiz starting at 7.30pm.

If you are planning to enter a team, please can you let a member of the social committee know. Entry price is £2.00 per person. Maximum number in team is 6 people.

The Bar will be open for refreshments.



Clydesdale Foodbank Collection

Our Monthly Foodbank Collection will take place **next weekend**. Bags of groceries can be handed in to the sacristy or to a passkeeper, and any monetary donations can be placed in the collection basket in an enveloped cleared clearly marked 'FOODBANK'.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity towards the Foodbank; around 60% of all donations received by the Foodbank are returned to Lanark.



SCIAF Wee Box Appeal

Thank you to all those who returned SCIAF WEE BOXES to the parish. As per previous years, the WEE BOX return has been minimal with less than 50% of WEE BOXES distributed being returned.

If you still have your WEE BOX and wish to donate the contents to SCIAF, please transfer the money direct to SCIAF

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Bishop Toal's Easter Message

As Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year there can be no day more hope-filled than Easter Sunday as we celebrate with great joy the Lord's Resurrection. May the Risen Lord Jesus therefore renew our faith, fill us with great hope, and inspire further acts of Christian love and service.

A special word of welcome to those received into the Church this Easter. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you experience the power of the Lord's presence in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. May your participation in Christ and his Church sustain you constantly now in the pilgrimage of life.

As we continue to hear of the ravages of war and of the terror felt by many in our troubled world we pray earnestly for peace and justice, for forgiveness and healing, for a respite from fear and a glimmer of hope.

We pray that the Lord of New Life will keep us and our loved ones safe in his care and bring consolation to all in pain.

With my Easter blessing and good wishes,

+ Joseph Toal





Please Pray For The Following



Recently Dead: Tony Murphy Hospitland Drive **Requiem Mass: Monday 21st April, 11am**
Sr Joan DC; Edward Duddy; Rosemary Allan (USA); Bridget Callaghan (New Stevenston);

Months Minds & Anniversaries: Peggy Reilly; John Reilly Jnr; Frank Coia; Francis McGee; Donald Liddell; Willie Connor; Jan Connor; Evelyn Grant Quinn;

Easter Remembrances

Bishop Frank Thomson; Bishop Joseph Devine; Father Joseph Brannigan; Father Paddy Hughes; All Deceased Members of The Vincentian Fathers; All Deceased Members of The Daughter's of Charity; Canon Willie Dunnachie; Father Damien Gilhooley; Fr John Breslin; Canon Giles Goward; Father David Mellor; Jim McShane; John & Mary McShane; Rosemary McShane MacIntyre; Charlie McShane; Frank McMahan; Annie & Arthur Lenagh; Hughie & Mary McShane; McShane Family; McGuire Family; Lenagh Family; McMahan Family; Kate & William Campbell; Bernie & Jim McEwan; Campbell Family; McCafferty Family; McEwan Family; James E. Reid; Gerry Wyllie; Wyllie Family; Deerin Family; Mary McFarlane; Therese Martin; John Skeffington; Joe & Betty McLeish; Peter Brannen; Edgar Family; Peter Skelly; Grace McGregor; Thomas & Helen Lamb; Thomas Lamb Jnr; Lamb Family; McGuigan Family; William & Sarah Dunnachie; Dunnachie Family; Michael Pavilonis; Paul & Cathie Millar; Paul & Nee Millar; Janice Millar; Cathy Gallagher; Emilio & Cesarina Coia; Guiseppe Molinaro; Hynds Family; Graham Family; Joe McAllister; Peter & Susan Mulligan; Annie Duffy; Briget Donnelly; Jack McGowan; Frank & Bridget Brady; Fr MacMorrow; Arthur Christie; John & Jessica Christie; Rena & Jimmy Travers; Mary & John Christie; Sarah & Joseph Quinn; Owen, Margaret & John Dempsey; Lisa Katherine McAlavey; John McAlavey; Blanche McAlavey; Gerard Mays Snr; Gerard Mays Jnr; Brian Mays; Susan Mays; John O'Neill; John Donnelly; Kate Hanlon; Edward Hanlon; Anne Lindsay; Archie Lindsay; Mary Sheely; Micheal Sheely; Kate Nevin & Brothers; Margaret & Denis Docherty; Annie & Archie McMillan; Margaret, John & Bobby Dykes; Rosina Baird; Baby Luca Gunning; Peter & Eleonora De-Shuster; Sarah Quinn; Jessica Christie; Arthur Kane; Mary & Jim McLaughlan; Mary, Bill & Stephen Murray; Anne & John Boyle; Michael McLaughlan; Lizanne Inglis; Marion & Dan O'Donnell; Mary & Charlie Binnie; Bette & Dave Haggerty; Helen & James Donnachie; Paul Donnachie; Donnachie Family; Alex & Sandy McLellan; Graham Munro; Leah & Albert Welsh; Vincent Morton; Morton Family; Sandy McLean; Mary McLean; Catherine McLean; Jessie Clark; Frank & Susan Mackie; Alys Scott; John Scott; Maisie Conlon; Veronica McKenna; Charles McKenna; Anne Power; Joanne Strain; Donald Liddell; Marion Doyle; John & Marion Renton; Hugh & Jean McNamara; Tony & Alison Filmer; Oliver Jones; Mary Jane & Jim Brennan; Agnes Jack; Anne Elder; Agnes & John Kennedy; Evelyn Grant Quinn; Thomas Cloonan; Cecelia Cloonan; Mark Cloonan; Cloonan Family (Liverpool); Rotherham Family; James Callaghan; Anna Marshall; Agnes & Alice Bamford; Callaghan Family (Sligo); Stephen Crawley; Thomas, Molly & James McKeown (Shotts); Barbara Gaffney; James McCardie; Sarah & Jimmy McEwan; Anne Pasiley; Andrew Sharkey; Paul Halloran; Halloran Families; Robert & Helen Dennis; Mayes Families; McMorran families; May & Veronica Quinn; Maureen Mathers; Patricia McGarrigle; Joe McGarrigle; Gerry McGarrigle; McGarrigle Family; Dean Family; Dowds Family; Noone Family; Farrell Family; Tadzik & Mary Elizabeth Fox; John Kerr; David Tinto; Cammie Murray; Ron Meldrum; Eileen Prior; Janette Irvine; Deceased Members of the Choir of St Mary's; Daniel & Catherine Stewart; McConville Family; Geoff Coyle; May Quinn; Rosemary McManus; Francis & Grace McManus; Francis McManus Jnr; Willie Connor; Ian Connor; Mark Stewart;

Happy Easter

Dear Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy and Holy Easter! After the long journey of Lent, it is good to reach Easter and the joy of the Resurrection!

During Lent it was very encouraging to witness so many people attend Mass and the extra devotions in our parish. The Monday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Stations of the Cross was very well attended. It was also heartwarming to witness so many people attend the Sacrament of Confession in preparation for Easter.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who so kindly prepared our church for the Sacred Triduum, and for Easter. So much hard work is put in by so many people, and I would like to thank each person who was involved in making our church look so beautiful! It is also important to thank those who look after our church on a daily basis, allowing our church to be a place of continued welcome for all who walk through the doors.

I would also like to thank everyone for their generosity to me over this period. It has been very humbling to receive so many cards and gifts from people. From the bottom of my heart thank you!!

God bless you all for your continued support and generosity. Holy Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Fr John-Paul