

MASS and PRAYER REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED : Michael Joyce

ANNIVERSARIES : Martin McMahon, Arthur Monaghan, The Friel Family

SPECIAL INTENTIONS : Marie Joyce, Andy Murray, Alastair Steel, Isobel McGuigan, Lewis Reeper, Lucas McGeever, Peter Nugent, Joe McFadyen, Ellen McFadyen, Richard McFadyen

HOLY WEEK



Holy Week is an opportunity for many people to make our celebrations truly community minded. The liturgy of the different days calls for the more than usual quota of volunteers.

Holy Thursday – 2 readers, 12 apostles (for the washing of the feet)

Good Friday – 4-5 readers for the Passion, 4-5 readers for the Universal prayers, 2 Eucharistic ministers

Easter Saturday - 4-5 volunteers to decorate the church, someone to prepare the fire, 3-4 readers, 2-3 readers for bidding prayers.

While grateful for the regular few who are always available, we extend an open invitation to EVERYONE else too.....

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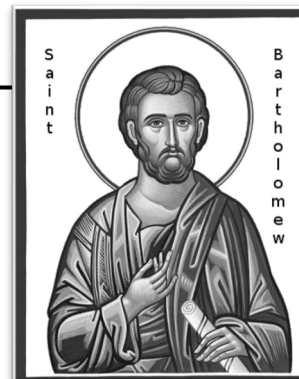
EASTER CLEAN and DECORATION

The big clean up and decoration of the church for Easter will take place on Saturday morning. As Fr. Ian has said above, there is an open invitation for additional volunteers. Please come and assist us.

Donations of flowers / plants (white or yellow if possible), can be handed in on Friday or Saturday morning.

READERS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers required for all the Holy Week and Easter services. Please add your name to the lists at the back of the church depending on your availability. Thank you



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PALM SUNDAY, Year A

2nd April 2023

PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Ian Bathgate sx

ASSISTANTS

Fr. Eugenio Montesi sx

Fr. Willie Hattie sx

Fr. Robert Sowa

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SUNDAY MASS

St. Bartholomew's
11:00am and 5pm

St. Margaret Mary's
6pm (vigil) and 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASS

St. Bartholomew's
9:30am, Mon / Wed / Fri

St. Margaret Mary's
10:00am, Tues / Thurs / Sat

GOSPEL : Matthew 21:1-11

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

(Read in the hall at the 11am Mass prior to processing to the church)

FIRST READING : Isaiah 50:4-7

*I did not cover my face against insult:
I know I shall not be shamed*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 21

RESPONSE : My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

SECOND READING:Philippians 2:6-11

The Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you

GOSPEL : Matthew 26:14-27:66

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

LAST WEEK'S MASS COLLECTIONS

1 st Collection	£411.69
2 nd Collection	£294.45
Renovation Fund	£95.70



With grateful thanks for all your contributions.

EASTER TRIDUUM

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum - from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Pascal Mystery.

The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil.

Our services in St. Bartholomew's for the Easter Triduum of the Passion of the Lord and Easter Sunday are as follows:

HOLY THURSDAY Mass of the Lord's Supper	7pm
HOLY THURSDAY Night Prayers	10pm
GOOD FRIDAY The Lord's Passion	3pm
GOOD FRIDAY Church will remain open after the 3pm service for personal visit and veneration of the cross.	Until 8pm
HOLY SATURDAY Easter Vigil	8:15pm
EASTER SUNDAY	11am

** PLEASE NOTE : There will be NO evening Mass on Easter Sunday **

PIETY STALL. Pop into our Piety Stall where you'll find a selection of religious items including Day by Day Easter books, Easter cards, Mass cards, First Communion items and much more. Carole is always on hand to assist and help you find what you are looking for.

COFFEE MORNING and TEAROOM As it's Holy Week, the Wednesday Coffee Morning will not take place. Also, the hall will be closed on Easter Sunday so there will be no Sunday Tearoom or Play your cards Right.

These will all resume the following week.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 12th April, 7pm, in the parish hall.

ARCHBISHOP NOLAN'S LETTER

Following on from Archbishop Nolan's letter read at Mass last weekend, the Archdiocese will be looking for us all to have active discussion during a consultation period.

"As we look to the future it means that the Archdiocese must be outward looking. Any decisions about how to use our resources, including people - _whether clergy or lay - and property - _whether money or buildings - must be determined by how they can best serve the mission Christ has given the Church.

To take this forward, I have asked the Deans to set up Deanery Councils. There will be five of these Councils, with the membership formed by the parish priests along with a lay representative from each parish."

The Archbishop also announced that he is establishing an Evangelisation Fund of £1,000,000 which will be available to support new evangelisation initiatives.

We hope and pray that this fund will inspire parishes and deaneries to come up with new ideas of how to reach out to others. If anyone has any suggestions and ideas for initiatives and projects for reaching out to others, please come and discuss it with us.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNING On Wednesday, we had a wonderful visit to our coffee morning from some pupils and staff of St. Bartholomew's Primary School. As part of a Citizenship topic, Miss Gaughan and her P6 class attended the 9:30am mass and afterwards in the hall, they distributed Easter cards and decorations to everyone, shared poems and delivered a game of Bingo!

They also enjoyed having a good old blether with our parishioners, and our parishioners loved it!! A huge big thank you to the pupils and everyone involved. Great partnership working between the school and parish.

GIFT AID If you are in the Gift Aid scheme, envelopes for the new financial year are available at the back of the church. Please pick them up on your way out.