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PALM SUNDAY

9TH/10TH APRIL 2022

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

(Services marked in red will be live-streamed)

Mon - Wed:- 7am (Monday only),

10am, (Rosary, 10.30am), 1pm

Stations of the Cross, 7pm **(Monday only)**

Holy Thursday:- Morning Prayer, 10am,

Mass of the Lord's Supper, **7pm**

Good Friday:- Morning Prayer, 10am, Rosary, 10.30am

The Lord's Passion and Veneration of the
Cross, 12, **3pm** and 7pm

Holy Saturday:- Morning Prayer, 10am, Rosary, 10.30am

Easter Vigil, 8.30pm

Easter Sunday:- Mass, 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon

*****N.B. No 4pm Mass*****

FUNERAL MASSES THIS WEEK

Tuesday 12th April, 1pm - *Christina Cusack R.I.P.*

CONFESSIONS:- Mon-Sat 9.30-9.55am,

Tue 7.30-8.30pm (during Lent)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:- Mon-Sat, 9.30-9.55am

and Tues 6.00pm-8.30pm (during Lent)

HALL CAFÉ:- Closed Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday.

Open Easter Sunday, normal hours

Please pray for the following:-

Sick:- Baby Keira Young, Maria Cowan, Jean Clark, Ada Cameron, Mrs Fleming, Patrick Gallagher, Michael Malone, Kevin Bradley, Patricia Monaghan, Mary Nocker, Steven Murphy, Paul Sisk, Mary Langan, Niamh Edelsten, John McCarron, Brian Malone, Ena and Anne Nicholl, Sean Christie, Bill Corr, Kathleen Robertson.

Recently deceased:- David Milne, Mina McGuigan, James Maguire, Michael Buckerfield, Betty Fagan, Dennis Cannon, Mary Wallace, John Savage, Angela Ford Finnie

Anniversaries:- Francis McLeod, Thomas McColl, Anna Harvie Dunnachie, Mary Linstrum, Barry Lookess, Maisie Livingston, Jim McGrath, Bridget O'Donnell, Eileen Nugent, Cathrine Moore, Hugh Durnin, Euphemia Gallagher, Matt Mitchell (Snr), Thomas Whitelaw, Patricia Galloway, John Brogan, Eric Lennon

Birthday Blessings:- Francis Deighan, John Donnelly, Bill Nash

Baptism:- We welcome Murray Carr to our community.

Silver Wedding:- Michael and Maria Reilly

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Please support your parish through the weekly collection, our income relies solely on the donations of our parishioners. Contributions can be made in the form of a standing order or online donation through our website, using these bank details.

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Last week's collection - £1826

Thank you for your generosity

LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Monday:- 7am - Holy Mass

7pm - Stations of the Cross
(led by Young Adults Group)

Tuesday:- 6pm -8.30pm - Adoration.

7.30pm -8.30pm - Confessions

EASTER TRIDUUM

Triduum comes from the Latin word meaning 'three days,' and encompasses the three most sacred days in our Church's year. It begins at sundown on Holy Thursday, reaches a high point at the Easter Vigil and concludes on Easter Sunday. The liturgies are intended to be one continuous celebration that commemorates the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. For this reason, **Catholics are encouraged to observe the entire Triduum by attending all of the liturgies.**

The stripping of the church culminates on Holy Thursday and Good Friday. On Holy Thursday the tabernacle is emptied and on Good Friday the white altar cloth is stripped away, so that all that remains is the cross and candlesticks with the candles extinguished. The Christian altar represents Christ, and the stripping of the altar reminds us how He was humiliatingly stripped of his garments. The empty altar and tabernacle help us to reflect on the emptiness of a world without Christ. This contrasts with the magnificence of the church as revealed at the Easter Vigil, when the glory of the Resurrection is reflected in the joyful decoration of the church.

ECUMENICAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

An Ecumenical Stations of the Cross service will be held at Rutherglen West and Wardlawhill Church, Western Avenue on Wednesday 13th April at 7pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to join in fellowship with our Christian brothers and sisters.

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Masks are no longer required in church!
- There will be no 1pm Mass during Easter week (18th-22nd April)
- Envelopes for your Easter offering are now available at the back of the church.
- **Reminder:** If you are a member of our Gift Aid scheme your new envelopes, including brown envelopes for the second collection are available at the back of the church
- **Easter flowers:-** To sponsor the flowers for Easter please fill out a form at the back of the church. Names are printed in the bulletin each month.
- **Stall:-** Please feel free to browse our cards and gifts for Easter, Holy Communion and other special events.
- **Football Memories:-** Our next meeting is on Tuesday 12th April 11-12noon in the church hall.
- **Craft Group:-** Every Tuesday in the church hall 11-1pm. If you enjoy knitting or crochet or would like to learn please come along.
- **Holy Soles:-** Off for the Easter holidays. Our next walk will be Monday 25th April.
- **Hall Café:-** Closed Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday. Open Easter Sunday.

KILTWALK - SPONSOR OUR CLERGY

This week you can sponsor **Deacon Ross** using the link below for his Just Giving page:-

<https://glasgow.thekiltwalk.co.uk/fundraising/GlasgowKiltwalk2022-RevDrMichaelKilloranRoss> or fill out the slips provided in the pews and place in basket, with your donation during the 2nd collection. There is still time to register for the walk and join Team St Columbkille! Use this link to register <https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/GlasgowKiltwalk2022?joincode=2XZD53h5gQ>

MEN'S GROUP

Our newly formed Men's Group met for the first time this week. The Group will offer men an opportunity to reflect on their faith journey in company with other men. We are hoping to organise pilgrimages abroad and social events. Join us to help establish this important group! Meeting date for May to be confirmed.

137TH (ST COLUMBKILLE'S) SCOUT GROUP

The 137th (St Columbkille's) Scout Group would like to welcome new members to join us on Wednesday evenings at St Mark's Church Hall, Fernhill. We are open to boys and girls in the following age ranges:

Beavers (6 - 8yrs) : 6 -7pm

Cubs (8 - 10.5yrs) 7 -8pm

Scouts (10.5 - 14yrs): 8-9pm

Explorers (14 - 18yrs): 8-9pm

If you over 18yrs old and would like to join us, we have flexible roles for adult volunteering too. For further information contact Ashleigh the Group Scout Leader (07397772072).

We are off during the Easter holidays but will return on Wednesday 20th April.

THE HARROWING OF HELL

On Holy Saturday, Christians remember that while Jesus' dead body lay in the tomb, His soul "descended into the dead," as proclaimed in the Apostle's Creed. It is traditionally known as the "harrowing of hell." The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that Jesus, like all men experienced death and in his soul joined the others in the realm of the dead. But he descended there as Saviour, proclaiming the Good News to the spirits imprisoned there. (CCC632) Jesus did not descend into hell to deliver the damned, nor to destroy the hell of damnation, but to free the just who had gone before him (CCC633). The descent into hell brings the Gospel message of salvation to complete fulfilment (CCC634).

The Office of Readings of the Divine Office for Holy Saturday includes an ancient homily (see below) which eloquently and poetically tells of Christ's descent into hell to liberate the souls of all the good men and women who had lived before Him, including Adam and Eve.

"What is happening? Today there is a great silence over the earth, a great silence, and stillness, a great silence because the King sleeps; the earth was in terror and was still, because God slept in the flesh and raised up those who were sleeping from the ages. God has died in the flesh, and the underworld has trembled.

Truly he goes to seek out our first parent like a lost sheep; he wishes to visit those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. He goes to free the prisoner Adam and his fellow-prisoner Eve from their pains, He who is God, and Adam's son.

The Lord goes in to them holding his victorious weapon, his cross. When Adam, the first created man, sees him, he strikes his breast in terror and calls out to all: 'My Lord be with you all.' And Christ in reply says to Adam: 'And with your spirit.' And grasping his hand he raises him up, saying: 'Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light.

'I am your God, who for your sake became your son, who for you and your descendants now speak and command with authority those in prison: Come forth, and those in darkness: Have light, and those who sleep: Rise.

'I command you: Awake, sleeper, I have not made you to be held a prisoner in the underworld. Arise from the dead; I am the life of the dead. Arise, O man, work of my hands, arise, you who were fashioned in my image. Rise, let us go hence; for you in me and I in you, together we are one undivided person.

'For you, I your God became your son; for you, I the Master took on your form; that of slave; for you, I who am above the heavens came on earth and under the earth; for you, man, I became as a man without help, free among the dead; for you, who left a garden, I was handed over to Jews from a garden and crucified in a garden.

'Look at the spittle on my face, which I received because of you, in order to restore you to that first divine inbreathing at creation. See the blows on my cheeks, which I accepted in order to refashion your distorted form to my own image.

'See the scourging of my back, which I accepted in order to disperse the load of your sins which was laid upon your back. See my hands nailed to the tree for a good purpose, for you, who stretched out your hand to the tree for an evil one.

'I slept on the cross and a sword pierced my side, for you, who slept in paradise and brought forth Eve from your side. My side healed the pain of your side; my sleep will release you from your sleep in Hades; my sword has checked the sword which was turned against you.

'But arise, let us go hence. The enemy brought you out of the land of paradise; I will reinstate you, no longer in paradise, but on the throne of heaven. I denied you the tree of life, which was a figure, but now I myself am united to you, I who am life. I posted the cherubim to guard you as they would slaves; now I make the cherubim worship you as they would God.

"The cherubim throne has been prepared, the bearers are ready and waiting, the bridal chamber is in order, the food is provided, the everlasting houses and rooms are in readiness; the treasures of good things have been opened; the kingdom of heaven has been prepared before the ages."



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