



PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO

Easterhouse

8th Ordinary Sunday Year C

3rd MARCH 2019

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Mass

Monday to Friday: 10.00 am, St Benedict's

Saturday: 10 am, St Clare's
5pm, St Benedict's

Sunday: 10.00 am St Clare's
11.30 am St Benedict's.

Confessions:
30mins
before mass.

Eddie Tarrier: R.I.P: St Clare's:
Reception of Body: Sunday 03/03/19 at 6.30pm.
Requiem Mass: Monday 04/3/19 at 10am.

Annie McGarr: R.I.P: St Benedict's:
Reception of Body and Requiem Mass:
Thursday 07/03/19 at 10am.

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament:

Tuesday from 9.00am until the start of mass at 10.00am

Thursday from 4pm to 6pm in St Benedict's

Morning Prayer of the Church: 9.40am before Mass.

Weddings: Please see the Fr Ghislain to make an appointment.

Baptisms: Please, Contact Fr Ghislain

Heading of Readings: 8th Ordinary Sunday Year C

First: Ecclesiasticus 27: 4-7 The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit.

Psalm 91 It is good to give you thanks O Lord / The just will flourish like the palm tree / Planted in the house of the Lord.

Second: I Corinthians 15:54-58 Death is swallowed up in victory - thank God for giving us victory through Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45 Jesus shared short parables about seeing to your own goodness first - a sound tree produces sound fruit - for a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.

Themes

Giving thanks for the fruit of God's hand. Joy in the risen Christ that we can praise him with truth and sincerity.

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Bishop Toal: we welcome our bishop visiting our Parish this weekend.

SERVICES FOR LENT, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Sunday Mass: Saturday 5pm (St Benedict's), Sunday 10am (St Clare's), 11.30(St Benedicts)

6th March. Ash Wednesday, (Day of Abstinence and Fasting)

Services: 10am in St Benedict's and 7pm in St Clare's.

Stations of the Cross: Every Monday at 7pm in St Benedict's, and every Friday in St Clare's at 7pm

Weekday Services: Confession: Mon- Friday St Benedict's; Morning prayer at 9.40am. **Mass** 10am In St Benedict's). Saturday in St Clare's mass 10am

19th March 2019, Tuesday. Penitential Service for adult & First Reconciliation Service for P3, in St Benedict's at 7pm.

Mass in St Benedict's Primary. Every Friday at 8.30am

11th April, Thursday 7pm. Retreat for Ministers of Eucharist and Readers, St Benedict's.

14th April, Palm Sunday. Blessing and Distribution of the Palms. Saturday 5pm and Sunday 10am, 11.30am.

18th April, Holy Thursday. Chrism Mass, 11am, Motherwell Cathedral; 7pm in St Benedict's: Mass of the Last Supper and Washing of the Feet. Watching until 9.30pm followed by Night Prayer.

19th April, Good Friday Services: Churches Together, 10am; The Passion of the Lord 3pm (St Clare's); 7pm (St Benedict's), Night Prayer 9.30pm in St Benedict's.

20th April Holy Saturday. Easter Vigil, 7.30pm (St Benedict's) Blessing of the Fire & lighting of the pascal Candle, followed by the Scripture Reading, Baptism and Holy Mass.

21 April. Easter Sunday: Mass: 10am and 11.30am

Other Special Services:

12th March, First Reconciliation Workshop, St Benedict's,7pm;

30th April. First Communion: Workshop, in St Clare's, 7pm

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: Every Tuesday from 9am to 9.55am followed by Holy Mass and Thursday from 4-6pm.

23rd March Saturday, at 11am, in St Benedict's.

Mass for the Sick with the Anointing, followed with refreshment.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers needed

If you can help in the Ministry of Eucharist or Reading, please put your name down on the sheet(s) at the back of the church.

Also, we encourage children to read every first weekend masses of the month. If you would like your child to read at mass, please put your name down on his/her behalf and enter your child's name too.

SOME THOUGHTS ON ASH WEDNESDAY

“...On Ash Wednesday we begin the Season of Lent, a time of conversion and spiritual renewal.

A day of Fasting and Abstinence and Catholics over the age of 14 are obliged to keep these days in accordance with the Church's laws on Fasting and Abstinence. On Ash Wednesday ashes are blessed and the foreheads of the faithful are marked with these ashes. The faithful seek this marking with ashes as a sign of repentance for sin, and a desire to live the Gospel with stronger devotion and commitment, while acknowledging our mortality and the realisation that we will give an account of ourselves to God when life on this earth ends.

On Ash Wednesday the faithful are exhorted to take up the traditional Lenten disciplines of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving, and to persevere in keeping them through the 40 days of Lent. The proclamation of the Word of God in the Readings provided for Mass on Ash Wednesday is a vital part of the Church's instruction on this day and indeed the Lord's own expectation on Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

Since there is a strong penitential aspect to Ash Wednesday it should be a day on which the faithful are exhorted to renew their sorrow for sin and resolve to confess their sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent. Only then, after making their confession, should those who have absented themselves from attending Sunday Mass receive the Holy Eucharist. It rather defeats the purpose of Ash Wednesday if people presume they can receive Holy Communion without first of all going to confession to confirm their desire to practice their faith in the manner the Church asks of us all. In the Church in Scotland we are encouraged to support the Church's International Aid Fund (SCIAF) as part of our Lenten Almsgiving. The faithful are exhorted therefore to pick up a “Wee Box” on Ash Wednesday and fill it up through Lent. I wish everyone a blessed Ash Wednesday and a spiritually fruitful Lent.

+Joseph Toal

Next Special Collections:

- Sick and Retired Clergy: **TODAY**
- **SCIAF BOXES: AVAILABLE NOW**
- SCIAF Second Collection: **Sunday 24th March 2019**

SCIAF Wee box

6K Family Fun Run will take place on Saturday, 4th May 2019, Strathclyde Country Park, gathering at 10am for 11am run start. Millions of people around the world continue to struggle to support themselves and their families because of extreme poverty, war and natural disasters. Your entry fee and sponsorship will help fund our life changing work. Every step you take will bring someone living in poverty a step closer to supporting themselves and living with dignity. Whether you're old or young, running or walking, with family, friends or going solo, SCIAF's WEE BOX 6K Family Fun Run can help raise money so the poorest can survive and thrive. Sign up online at www.sciaf.org.uk to show solidarity with people in need around the world. In addition, SCIAF is delighted to bring 'A Day in the Life of' to Lentfest this year.

Belarus: The Sisterhood of St Elisabeth

A huge thank you to all who supported the group from Belarus last Thursday. Sr Helen was pleased with the response to her plea.

Ignatian Spirituality Centre

A couple of services offered by the Jesuits in Scotland that might be of interest to Catholics in general.

Online Lent Retreat: “Walking together with Jesus”; from the Jesuits in Scotland. An online programme of daily prayer through Lent, with materials for running groups in parishes. Already there are many groups planned for Scotland. A free book is available. Fuller details: www.lentretreat.uk

Individually Guided residential Retreats: suitable for priests, deacons, religious or lay people. The Ignatian Spirituality Centre, based in Glasgow, runs retreats from 3 to 30 days in Scotland, Ireland, England and Spain at times suitable for Scottish holidays. Further details: www.iscglasgow.co.uk/retreats.html

Social Event: Mary’s Meals

Mary’s Meals charity gig night featuring U2 tribute band “Rattled and Hummin”. Friday 22nd March – 7.30pm in the Butterfly and Pig, Bath St, Glasgow. Contact Michael (07456 791382) or Lisa (07901 371821) or email MMLMMarysMeals@outlook.com for tickets (priced £10).

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Mass Collections 23rd / 24th February **£571.64**

Thank you for your generosity. (Please consider Gift Aid if you pay tax)

Please pray for those who have recently died

Eddie Tarrier; John Rohan Jnr; Angela Hutcheon; Gerard Dillon; Vienna Chan; Mr Briody; John McCandlish; Anne Marie O’Hagan; Debbie Coletta; Patrick Watt; Agnes Brackenridge.

For those whose anniversary is about now:

Davey Crawford Snr; Rosemary Donahue; John Feeley; John Rohan; Elizabeth McNeil; Ellen (Elaine) Horner; Henry McCarthy; Mary Cheng McKeown; Lawrence Boyle; Delia McShane; Helen Rudzinski; Margaret Finnigan; Martin Jamieson.

For those whose month’s mind is about now:

Div Crawford; James Hutcheon; John Paul McPhelim; James Nelson Junior; David Begley; Margaret Edwards; Baby Sean Roy; Jim Nelson; William Blakely; Susan Blakely; Sadie Tarrier; Margaret Walsh

For all those who are sick:

Bob Scott; Jean Duffy Woods; Eugene Cawley; Betty Stillie; Cathy Divers; Rose Gordon; Sonny Anderson; Cathie Anderson; Denis Tiernan; Karen Donahoe; Alan Baxter; Isa McCandlish; Betty Lambert; Janet Duffy; Ann Hume; Mary Donnelly; Charlene McCann Campbell; Margaret Samuel; Karen Richmond; Patrick McDonagh; Colin Richford; Hugh Poland; Michael O’Brien; Frank Griffin; Margaret McPhelim; James and Doreen Haggerty; Cathy D’Arcy; Jean Downie; Jane Cawley; Sadie Alison; Pat Sharkey; Jim Kennedy and Tracey Foy.

PLEASE ADVISE OF CHANGES TO THE LISTS ABOVE