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The Parish Bulletin

19 MARCH 2017

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - A

Mass Readings:

Reading: Exodus 17: 3-7

Psalm: Psalm 94

Reading: 2 Romans 5: 1-2; 5-8

Gospel: John 4: 5-15, 19-26, 39-42

Date	Details	Service	Time
Sunday 19 MARCH 2017	Third Sunday of Lent - A Second collection: Parish Mission	Mass Polish Mass Mass	11.00 13.00 18.30
Monday 20 MARCH 2017	Monday in the Third Week of Lent	Morning Prayer Mass Mass	09.45 10.00 18.00
Tuesday 21 MARCH 2017	Tuesday in the Third Week of Lent	Mass Morning Prayer Mass	07.00 09.45 10.00
Wednesday 22 MARCH 2017	Wednesday in the Third Week of Lent	Morning Prayer Mass	09:45 10.00
Thursday 23 MARCH 2017	Thursday in the Third Week of Lent For the repose of the soul of Margaret Gallagher	Morning Prayer Mass Stations Of The Cross	09.45 10.00 18.00 & 19.00
Friday 24 MARCH 2017	Friday in the Third Week of Lent STATION MASS – Tain	Mass Station Mass-Tain	12.30 19.00
Saturday 25 MARCH 2017	Solemnity of the Annunciation Of The Lord	Morning Prayer Mass Vigil Mass	09.45 10.00 18.00
Sunday 26 MARCH 2017	Fourth Sunday of Lent - A Second collection: SCIAF	Mass Polish Mass Mass	11.00 13.00 18.30

~~FOR YOUR PRAYERS~~

+ Sick +

+Christopher Brown + Mary Cumming + Kate Fraser +
+ George Taylor + Maureen Rattray + Florian Alvaran
+ + Ian Cameron + Leslie Allan + Evelyn Farry +
Catharine Stewart + Louise Hendry + Hilary Smith +
Mary MacInnes + Mary Grant + Harry Lawless +
+Leslie Murray + Kathy Krenz + Sabrina MacAllen+
+ James Connelly + Ruth & John Huggett +
+Claude & Hilary Hayward + Irene Robertson +
+Agnes MacLean + Joyce Connelly +
+ Emmy MacNicol + Henry Pieraccini +
+ Louise Bestau + Ann Cameron + Margaret Carr +

+ Anniversaries +

+ Archibald McDonald + Catherine Stewart +
+ Jessie Coyle + John Curran + Thomas Evans +
+ James McLaughlin + Marian Miller + Catherine
Simpson +Annie MacDonald + Glen Hardie + Malcolm
Morrison +Mary Corsar + Teresa Campbell +
+ Stephan Szumlakowski +Jane Fox +
+ Kathleen Tierney + Isabella Burnside +
+ Melinda Simpson + Alan MacLeod +
+ Frances Clark +

+ R.I.P+

Margaret Gallagher



Let us pray for one another so
that we may open our doors to
the weak and poor.

Pope Francis Twitter Pontifex

Please continue to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood;
Emmet O'Dowd; Rafal Sweda;
Christopher Doig; Dominic Nwaigwe;
Malachy Eze

Lent Station Masses 2017 Every Friday at 7.00 pm

24 March.....St Vincent's, Tain
[with Bishop Hugh]

31 March.....St Columba's,
Culloden

7 April.....St Anne's, Thurso

Station Mass – Coach

A small 16 seat coach has been organised for the station Masses at Tain and Thurso. Sign up sheets are available at the back of the Church. Cost are Tain £10 and Thurso £15.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
at the Parish of the Immaculate Conception
Stratherrick Mass and Dedication of the Altar of
The Shrine of our Lady by The Rt Rev'd Hugh
Gilbert OSB Bishop of Aberdeen at 12.00 noon
Sat 25 March 2017. For more information see
poster on the notice board.

Lunch after Mass on Sunday 26 March 17

The Philippino Community is hosting a Sunday lunch as part of our preparation for our Parish Mission. We are a Catholic Parish embracing many national groups. It is good for us to get together at Mass and socially. Please add your name to the lists at the back of the Church if you would like to attend.

Members of the **Justice and Peace Group** will be studying the SCIAF sponsored course **Rediscovering Mercy** for Lent. This is a 4 week course reflecting on Catholic Social Teaching and the difference it can make in our lives. The sessions will be held on Tuesdays in March (21,28) in the Olive Grove Cafe from 7:30 - 9:00 PM. All Welcome. Please contact Jill Kent at jillkent@me.com.

The Gabriel Society

Tue 28 Mar at 7.00 pm in the Marian Room:

"Ignatian Perspectives : Prayers and People" with Fr Tony Nye SJ
At 9.00 pm there will be Buns & tea/coffee/infusions

Tue 4 Apr at 7.00 pm in the Marian Room :

"The Passion" Illustrations, Meditations, Reflections and Discussion" with Fr James & Fr Andrew; at 9.00 pm there will be Hot Cross Buns & tea/coffee/infusions

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes,

7–14 July 2017: this year, the Diocesan pilgrimage will be to Lourdes. The pilgrimage, organised by Tangney Tours, will be led by Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB. Accommodation will be in the 4-star Hotel Mediterranee. The price is £767 per person, which includes: flights, hotel transfers, full board accommodation, taxes. There is a single room supplement of £161. Travel insurance: £30 per person. For further information and a booking form, please contact Deacon John Wire, via e-mail: jj.wire@btinternet.com, or telephone 07711 847582.

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD: REFLECTIONS FOR HOLY WEEK.

A Day of Recollection at St Columba's,
Culloden on Saturday 8 April,
from 10.30am – 4.00pm.

FRIDAY ADORATION

After 12.30 Mass, Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Fridays of the month: until 3:30 pm
All other Fridays: until 1:30 pm

Gift Aid Envelopes

New Gift Aid envelopes required for Sun 2nd April, are now available for collection at the back of the Church. Please check that your address is correct and confirm that you are still a U.K. tax payer. This is a valuable source of income to the Parish if you wish to join the Gift Aid scheme please see Carol Maclean or leave your details with the Parish office.

New Notice Board

Since the redecoration of the Entrance porch, the rotas for Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Sunday teas can now be found on the new notice board alongside the Piety stall.

‘Young Believers Group’

A social / faith group for 11 to 16 year olds
The group meets in the Church every Thursday
from 6.00pm until Easter.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES.

Classes will start soon. Please register your child’s interest by obtaining a registration form from Dcn Patrick or contact him by email patrick.darbyshire@btinternet.com

THE DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE LOVE Tuesdays Tea/coffee and Craft Time in Marian Room with Sisters:

10.45 am – 12.30 pm: Crocheting and knitting
(bring your own style if you wish).

Prayer Time (in Sisters’ Oratory):

6.00 pm – Exposition and silent Adoration, then
from 6.30 pm – 7.20 pm:

Rosary and Vespers

Lectio Divina Second and Fourth Wednesday
3.00 pm – 4.30 pm

St Columba’s Culloden

CATHOLICISM – No meeting this week.
The next meeting is on **Wednesday 29
March from 7.00pm** – “Word Made Flesh,
True Bread Of Heaven: The Mystery of The
Liturgy and The Eucharist”.

Sainsbury’s Active Kids Schools Vouchers:
St Joseph’s Primary School are collecting vouchers to purchase sports equipment for the children. If you, or someone you know, shops at Sainsbury’s – either in store or online – they will receive tokens towards the Active Kids Scheme. A collection box will be available at the back of the church in the next few weeks. Vouchers are available from Sainsbury’s until 2 May. Thank you for your support.

SPRING FAIR AT ST. MARY’S INVERNESS

The Tuesday Craft Group is organising a **Spring Fair for Mary’s Meals on Saturday 20th May 2017. From 10:45 am until 12: 30pm.** The Group will be showing crafts for the first time and selling them for Mary’s Meals. Have you any wool you want to give away? Please give your wool to the members on Tuesdays in the Marian Room or to any of the Sisters (DDL) at any time. The Group will also welcome any of your knitting, crochets or any crafts which you want to donate for the Sales. Please come and support Mary’s Meals.

GOD DEMANDS GREAT PURITY OF CERTAIN SOULS

God demands great purity of certain souls, and so He gives them a deeper knowledge of their own misery. Illuminated by light from on high, the soul can better know what pleases God and what does not. Sin depends upon the degree of knowledge and light that exists within the soul. the same is true of imperfections.

The Diocesan Chrism Mass

at St Mary’s – Inverness

6.30 pm

Thursday 6 April 2017

Principal Celebrant

The Bishop of Aberdeen,

The Right Rev’d Hugh Gilbert OSB

~~SICK OR HOSPITAL VISITS~~

Please contact The Parish office if you require a visit or know of anyone who is sick and house bound or in hospital and wishes a visit and or Holy Communion.

~~TEA AND COFFEE~~

Tea, coffee & biscuits are served after the Sunday 11.00 Mass in St Mary's Church Hall. A warm welcome awaits visitors. Please come along and enjoy a friendly chat.

~~PARISH GROUPS & DEVOTIONS~~

Please join our volunteers: **Readers during Mass, Welcome Ministry & Pass keepers, Choir, Kitchen, Sunday Teas, Flower Arrangers or Church Cleaning Team.**

Speak to Priests, Deacon, Sisters, Sacristan or Parish Office. ***New Members with fresh ideas are always welcome*** to come along and attend or visit parish groups where they will receive a warm welcome.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Mon, Tue, Wed 10.30 – 11.00
Saturday 10.30 – 11.00

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays from 10.30 – 11.00
(or on request, if there is a priest available)

Sacrament of Baptism
Sunday during or after the 11.00 Mass
Sunday during or after the 09.30 Mass

Weddings
By arrangement; see website
www.stmarysinverness.co.uk/marriage.htm

~~CONTACT DETAILS~~

Fr James Bell	Parish Priest	01463 233519
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Fr Andrew Niski	Assistant Priest	01463 233519
Dcn Patrick Darbyshire	Parish Deacon & Prison Chaplain	01463 233519 07960 210197
PJ Faferek	Parish Office	01463 233519
Carol MacLean	Finance & Gift Aid Organiser	01463 233519
Stephen Dunphy	Safeguarding Officer	01463 233519
Daughters of Divine Love Convent (Sr Grace)		01463 718690
St Joseph's Primary School		01463 231837

~~FINANCE~~

COLLECTIONS:

St Mary's no.1: £899
Parish Mission: £441

St Mary's Accounts

Running Account:
Sort Code: 80-91-26
Account No: 00809323

Fabric & Windows Account:
Sort Code: 80-91-26
Account No: 00793076

Visitors & locals - your continued generosity is appreciated for the upkeep of our beautiful Church.