

Parish of St Thomas the Apostle

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Sunday Masses: 16.00 (Vigil), 10.00
 Daily Masses: 10.00 except Wed 18.00
 Confessions: Wed 17.25 – 17.55
 Sat 10.30 – 11.00
 By appointment
 Adoration: Mon – Sat 09.00 except Wed 17.00
 Also Thu 10.30 – 11.30

Palm Sunday (B) Sunday 25th March 2018

<p><u>Important Contact Details</u> SSVP: 07598511261 Hall Enquiries: 0141 580 6642</p>	<p><u>Last Week's Collection(s)</u> Offertory: £343.29 + £355.00 (Standing Order) No second collection.</p>
<p>Stations of the Cross: Today Sunday at 4.00 pm.</p> <p>DPY PAISLEY & GALLOWAY DIOCESAN WORLD YOUTH DAY GATHERING - Sunday 25 March St Mirin's Cathedral, Paisley from 2pm till 6pm</p> <p>This event is open to all young people from across the Diocese: secondary and young adults. All <18 participants MUST BRING a signed consent form available from Fr Joe and transport is provided (see times on consent form). The programme will include music, art and drama workshops, meal fellowship, catechesis, social time and Eucharist. Please register your interest by contacting Fr Frank Hannigan on 07944343494 or youth@rcdop.org.uk</p> <p>Chrism Mass: Bishop John invites the people of the Diocese to celebrate the Chrism Mass with him on Wednesday 28th March at 7pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral. During the Mass the priests of the Diocese will renew their priestly commitment and the oils will be blessed for use in the celebration of the Sacraments throughout the Diocese in the coming year.</p> <p>Bishop's Holy Week and Triduum Services: Bishop John will celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper, commemorate the Passion and celebrate Easter Sunday morning Mass at the Holy Rosary Residence of the Little Sisters in Greenock. He will celebrate Easter Vigil in St. Mirin's Cathedral.</p> <p>Cardinal O'Brien RIP: We pray for the repose of the soul of Cardinal O'Brien, who died on the Feast of Saint Joseph, two days after his eightieth birthday. Many parishioners around the diocese have since messaged to offer prayers for him and condolences for his family as we commend him to the Lord of Mercy. May he rest in peace. Funeral arrangements still to be released.</p>	<p>Holy Week Services: Mon, Tues, Wed, Morning Mass at 10.00am with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9am -10.00am with Rosary at 9.30am.</p> <p>Holy Thursday: Morning Prayer 10.00 am. Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm. Night Prayer 9.30pm.</p> <p>Good Friday: Morning Prayer 10.00 am. Solemn Passion of the Lord with Veneration of the Cross 3pm. Stations of the Cross 7pm.</p> <p>Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer 10.00 am. Easter Vigil 8.30pm.</p> <p>Holy Week Confessions: Mon/Tues/Wed/ after 10.00am Mass and Holy Saturday after Morning Prayer.</p> <p>All Day Confessions St Mirin's Cathedral: These will take place this Monday from 9am – 9pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during this period. Holy Mass at 10.00am and 1pm</p> <p>20-40 Network Events: Aged 20-40? Would you like to meet some fellow young Catholics? Fancy joining us for a tour of the Kelpies? You can travel up with us on the train or meet us there. Don't worry about coming on your own because we're all on the same boat. Saturday 14th March 12:45pm. Just email 2040network@gmail.com to buy a ticket or join our mailing list to find out about future events if you can't make this one. We're also on Facebook at facebook.com/2040network.</p> <p>Adoration /Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament here each day from 9am-10.00am except Wednesday when it is from 5pm-6pm. There is also Adoration on Thursday from 10.30am-11.30am specifically to pray to the Lord of the Vineyard for an increase to Vocations to the Priesthood/Religious Life. (Mt 9:37-38) "Pray the Lord of the harvest, to send labourers into the harvest".</p>



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Mass in St Conval's Cemetery: This will be celebrated on Sunday 8th of April, Divine Mercy Sunday/Second Sunday of Easter at 2pm. It is the opportunity for all family and friends of all who are buried there to come and offer Holy Mass for their loved ones.

Rosary on the Coast, 29 April 2018, at 3.00pm

This National Day of Prayer is a UK-wide initiative of the lay faithful across Scotland, England and Wales inspired by similar powerful events in Poland and Ireland. The hope is for many Catholic group and associations to go to a nearby place on the coast and offer a Rosary for Faith, Life and Hope, that is for a "re-flourishing of the Faith, for the grace to build a culture of life and for true peace to reign in the hearts of all peoples and nations. Parish groups are invited to visit the official website – www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk We will join with parishoner's of St Cadoc's and St John's on the beach at Troon: Postcode KA10 6EF Coordinates: 55 32 29.5N 4 394.7 W. There are parking and toilet facilities nearby and a large sheltered picnic area. Please save the date! Invite friends and family. **If you wish to travel by bus please put your name down on the list provided in the porch as soon as possible.**

Healing Service: This will take place in Saint Columbkille's Parish, Kirkwood Street Rutherglen on Sunday the 6th May at 2pm in Church Hall. Speakers; Father Joe Balmer, and Joe Livingston .

In God's Image: Safeguarding Manual for the Catholic Church in Scotland: This week, along with his fellow bishops in Scotland, signed into publication our new Safeguarding Policy for the years ahead. It will come into effect on the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church, Monday 21 May. It is available online on our diocesan website. At this time, as we introduce further procedures to keep safe our children and vulnerable adults we continue to keep in our hearts and prayers those among us still presently surviving from historic abuse.

New Gift Aid Envelopes 2018- 2019: These can be collected from the Sacristy after Mass today.

Gift Aid: If you pay tax, ask for a Gift Aid form and with your one-off signature we get an extra 25% on your weekly contribution. We received from 2016-2017 £5361.61 through parishioners Gift Aiding. You can also set up a Standing Order on a monthly basis.

Knock and Lough Derg/Donegal Pilgrimage 2018 - Monday 2nd – Friday 6th JULY 2018 Knock and Lough Derg - £285, Knock and Donegal - £375, Single Room Supplement – Knock £10pppn, Single Room Supplement – Donegal £20pppn, To book or for further information contact:, Day – Anne – 07901873259 anne.doherty61@hotmail.co.uk, or evening – Liam – 0141 569 1982 or email liam.coyle1@ntlworld.com, or find info on Facebook - Glasgow Vigils Events

Billings Ovulation Method® Teacher Training Course 2018 - Would you like to become a Teacher of the Billings Ovulation Method? Are you a user or have been a user of the Billings Ovulation Method? Are you an interested Health Professional? The Teacher Training Course is RCGP Accredited. Fertility Care Scotland welcomes you to find out more about the BOM Teacher Training Course 2018, running 31st May 3rd June 2018, at Schoenstatt Scotland Kentenich Way, Campsie Glen, Glasgow, G66 7AT. For more details please contact: Fertility Care Scotland, 196 Clyde St, Glasgow G1 4JY. Tel 0141 220 858. Or info@fertilitycare.org.uk

Diocesan Priesthood - Thinking about Diocesan Priesthood? Contact Fr. John Morrison 01418895056 or e-mail vocations@rcdop.org

Ferguslie Café operates out of St. Fergus' Paisley is looking for new volunteers. The Café offers a lunch for up to 40 people every Sunday and it typically operates from 12 Noon till 1.30pm. If you could help serve or prepare the food your help would be greatly appreciated. Volunteers are welcomed to give of their time weekly, fortnightly or monthly. If you'd like to find out more or volunteer. Please contact Fr. John Morrison: 01418895056/vocations@rcdop.org.uk

Please Pray for:

Those who have died recently: Barbara Hailey, Frank Lynch, and for the ***anniversaries*** of Hugh Calleja, Anne & Peter Lannon, Betty Mc Flynn, Bill Mc Laughlan.

Those who are sick: Ronald Burns, Peter Cairney, John Cannon, Anne Cox, Joseph Din, Jean Docherty, Charlie Dunn, Ree Dunn, Joyce Van Gorder, Bob Fairlie, Ellen Hendry, Daniel Hughes, Rena Jardine, Rebecca Keay, Margaret Skea, Andrew Madsen, Maureen Muldoon, Elizabeth Mc Cusker, Yvonne Mc Lachlan, Theresa Mc Veigh, Agnes O'Donnell, Sr Patricia Reilly, Irene Rome, Sonia Galligo Romero, Lynn Scott, Elizabeth Turnbull, Laurie Thompson, Esther West, Janet & Jimmy Smith. Rachel Smith (Infant)

*Legacies: When making your Will, have you thought of leaving a legacy to the parish or diocese?
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