



## The Catholic Parish of St. Patrick's Fourth Sunday of Easter 25<sup>th</sup> of April

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Fourth Sunday	
6pm	Vigil Mass
8:30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
10:45am	Holy Mass
12noon	Holy Mass
4.30pm	Holy Mass
Monday	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Tuesday	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Wednesday - St. Peter Chanel. St. Louis Grignon de Montfort	
6pm	Exposition & Confessions
7pm	Holy Mass
Thursday - St. Catherine of Siena	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Friday - St. Pius V	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Saturday - St. Joseph the Worker	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
10-10:30am	Confessions
5.15pm	Confessions
6pm	Vigil Mass
Rosary daily except Wed at 9:05am	

**WeeBoxes** please return at your earliest convenience, thank you.

**Archbishop Cushley** celebrates Sunday Mass at 9.30am every week, please visit <https://archedinburgh.org/watch-sunday-mass-with-archbishop-cushley> to watch.

**Archdiocesan YouTube channel** If you miss any event from the Archdiocese find it at [bit.ly/ArchYouTube](http://bit.ly/ArchYouTube). There are a variety of talks available.

**This Weekend - 25<sup>th</sup> April** we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday. A day when we pray for more vocations to the priesthood. After the rosary every day we pray the very profound Vocations Prayer - copies are available at the back of the Church. Please continue to pray for more vocations to the priesthood, especially from our own parish. We currently have eight young men in Rome. There will be a special collection to assist in their education **THIS** weekend. If you Gift Aid, please use the envelopes we have provided.

**Ordination to the Diaconate** takes place at the Scots College in Rome next Sunday. Four young men will be ordained. Please keep them all in your prayers, especially Josh Moir who will be ordained for this diocese.

**We pray for the repose of the soul** of Mary Mellon who sadly passed away and the Requiem Mass took place on Thursday. We keep her family in our prayers.

**Baptisms.** We are starting to take bookings for baptisms. If you would like to book please pick up a Baptismal Pack from back of the chapel.

**Welcome** to Nathan Sommerville; Hallie, Sophie and Gracie-Mai Borland who were all baptised last Saturday. Congratulations to their parents.

**Parish Draw** took place yesterday, Saturday. Details of winners will be on Facebook and notice board later this week. All winners have been contacted.

**St. Joseph the Worker** is celebrated this Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> May. As you know this year is dedicated to St. Joseph and we will have a supply of the special Prayer Book published by the Archdiocese which is available, free of charge, at the back of the church. On this feast of St. Joseph, we pray for all those who were are in unstable employment and those seeking employment. We also pray for employers that they will always be very aware of the important role they have of employing people and safe guarding the dignity of the workplace.

**Quality knitted** baby jumpers and cardigans are on sale in the Piety Shop. We are very grateful to the young parishioner who has kindly donated the wool and knitted the garments. Please pop in for a look - excellent for a gift.

### **Dates for the Diary**

First Confession - 8th May  
First Holy Communion- 22nd May  
Confrimations - 5th June  
Parish Trip to Ireland - 20-24th Sept

**Rite of Enrolment** for those who are preparing for First Holy Communion next month takes place this Thursday at a special Mass at 6pm. Please keep the children, parents and teachers in your prayers.

**Piety Shop - New Stock has arrived** pop in for any cards; First Holy Communion; Confirmation; birthday; anniversary cards and gifts in addition for all occasions and gifts.

**First Holy Communion Dresses** Two families kindly donated First Holy Communion Dresses and are available to collect from Piety Shop.

**Booking for Sunday Masses** call the designated number - **07570726268**.

Times to call: Mon to Fri 12-2pm and Mon 6-7pm. Please do not leave a voicemail or text. If mobile switched off then all Masses are full.

**Prayers** are requested for all our sick, elderly & housebound. A list of the sick are on the notice boards.

**Please note** there will be no 8am Mass this week.

**Thank you** for your ongoing generosity. Last weekend's Offertory donations £900 and Fabric £150.

**First Holy Communion Ties** are on sale in the Piety Shop.

**Prayer/Meditation Aids** are available on the new table at the back of the church. There is a box for children and adults

**How to go to Confession** guides for adults and children are available in the display cabinet at the back of the church.

**Exams** It is that time of year once again. Let us remember all our students sitting exams at the moment that they may be rewarded for their diligent study! There are handouts in the display unit under St. Patrick to aid students and parents in prayer.

**Election** following on the Bishop's letter about the importance of being informed of who you are voting for, especially being knowledgeable about the candidate as well as the party they represent; please visit the website [rcpolitics.org](http://rcpolitics.org) for resources to help you in your consideration of election issues and to use the tools available to question candidates.

**New Tax Year** A huge word of thanks to all those who very generously continued to give their offertory and building fund to the parish during the past year, and especially when we were in lock down and public Mass was cancelled. Also thank you to those who Gift Aid and those who have recently joined the scheme.

**Gift Aid** If you would like to Gift Aid your donations to the parish please collect the form in the display unit at the back of the church.

**Standing Orders** Many people over the past year have switched to Standing Order for their donations to the parish (hence the cash collection has decreased). If you would like to do this, please pick up a form at the back of the church or contact the parish office.

**Thank you** to the seven people who volunteered to wipe down after the Vigil, 9.30am and noon Masses. We are still looking for volunteers for 10.45am and 4.30pm Masses. If you can help please see one of the priests.

**Children's Liturgy online:** Resources are available on the Archdiocesan Facebook and <https://www.facebook.com/Childrens> Liturgy-during-lockdown-101967264838340/

**Lockdown Relaxation** the Scottish Government has recently relaxed lockdown restrictions for society including places of worship. We are no longer required to limit the church building to fifty people. As we are still restricted to the two metre guideline, we can accommodate one hundred and twenty people, please note the limit for funerals and baptisms will be fifty people, comfortably in our church, including upstairs. We still have to adhere to the following instructions:

- You will be given an allocated seat from filling from the front;
- One way system;
- Cleansing of hands;
- Face masks;
- No congregational singing;
- All pews to be wiped down after each Mass.

We will continue to ask you to book a place for Sunday Mass for the time being and keep the five Masses on. We will review the situation in three/four weeks' time. One again many thanks for your patience and perseverance during these times of transition to normal life!

**Exterminating Poverty or the Poor? A Scottish Doctor's Story (Zoom)** Mark H Sutherland & Neil Sutherland, authors of 'Exterminating Poverty', will tell the true story of how a Scottish doctor took on Marie Stopes 100 years ago, and why this matters today. This webinar will inform and inspire those who take up the pro-life fight today. Takes place at 7:45pm, tomorrow, Monday. Eventbrite [bit.ly/ExterminatingPovertyOrThePoor](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/exterminating-poverty-or-the-poor-tickets-123456789012)

**Grace: The Church's Hidden Treasure (Zoom)** Easter is a season of grace, so register now for a six week course titled Grace: The Church's Hidden Treasure. Hosted by the Archdiocese and takes place on Mondays at 7:30pm, starting **19 April**. Sessions will focus on grace according to the teaching of Saint Thomas Aquinas in the *Summa Theologica* including an introduction on how to read the Summa, its structure, and how to go through one of Saint Thomas' articles. The course is organised by the Catechetical Commission of the Archdiocese and led by Father Kevin Douglas (St Peter's & St Columba's, Edinburgh) and Sister Anna Marie McGuan RSM. Register now at [bit.ly/GraceCourse2021](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/grace-the-churchs-hidden-treasure-tickets-123456789012) Sessions recorded.

**Safe Guarding.** It is the diocesan policy that all volunteers who work in the parish with young people or vulnerable adults must complete a PVG and complete Stage I and II on-line training courses. If you have not completed Level II, can you please book a space with one of the trainers on the dates detailed below. Once you have completed the course can you please inform Lynda Weldon at the parish email address? Thank you.

**Trainer:** Scott Mackenzie - [scott.mackenzie@staned.org.uk](mailto:scott.mackenzie@staned.org.uk)  
Saturday 24 April 2021 at 1.30pm  
Saturday 15 May 2021 at 1.30pm  
Please book direct with Scott. 100 places are available for each session and must be pre-booked to obtain joining details.  
**Trainer:** Callum Timms - [callum.timms@staned.org.uk](mailto:callum.timms@staned.org.uk)  
Sunday 25 April 2021 at 1.30pm  
Sunday 16 May 2021 at 1.30pm  
Please book direct with Callum via the email address above. 100 places are available for each session and must be pre-booked to obtain joining details.

**This September, St Mary's University in Twickenham, a leading Catholic university in the UK,** will open a campus at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh in conjunction with the Archdiocese. There will be a range of part-time postgraduate MA courses in Theology and Education available, giving you the flexibility to study in the evening and at weekends. This is great news for the provision of Catholic Education in Scotland. Archbishop Cushley has written a pastoral letter about this exciting initiative which is available to read online at [bit.ly/PastoralLetter240421](https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh)  
Find out more about the courses and register at [www.stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh](http://www.stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh)