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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

13TH MARCH 2016 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR C

Sunday Mass Readings

1st Reading: Isaiah 43: 16-21

Psalm: Ps 125

2nd Reading: Philippians 3: 8-14

Gospel: John 8: 1-11

Date	Details	Service	Time
Sunday 13 March	Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year C) (Second Collection: Flowers)	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Lady Chapel) Mass	09.00 09.30
Tuesday 15 March	Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent	Mass	19.30
Wednesday 16 March	Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent	Mass	11.00
Thursday 17 March	St Patrick - Feast	* Stations of the Cross * * Liturgy of the Word and Eucharist *	19.00 19.30
Friday 18 March	Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent	* NO MASS *	11.00 11.30
Sunday 20 March	Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord (Second Collection: Building Fund)	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Lady Chapel) Mass	09.00 09.30

Holy Week Liturgies at St Columba's

Palm Sunday (20 March) 9.00am: Confessions 9.30am: Holy Mass

Monday of Holy Week (21 March)

Retreat at St Mary's, Beauly: "Thirsting for Mercy: Journeying with Christ through Holy

Week", 11.00am-3.00pm

Retreat for the Syro-Malabar community,

St Columba's, 9.00am-5.00pm

Tuesday of Holy Week (22 March)

6.30pm: Confessions

7.30pm: Mass

Wednesday of Holy Week (23 March)

10.00am: Confessions

11.00am: Mass

Holy Thursday (24 March)

6.30pm: Confessions

7.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday (25 March)

10.00am: Stations of the Cross in Keralese

3.00pm: Liturgy of the Passion

7.00pm: Stations of the Cross in English

Holy Saturday (26 March)

3.00pm: Easter Vigil in Keralese 8.30pm: Easter Vigil in English

Easter Sunday (27 March)

9.00am: Confessions

9.30am: Holy Mass



GENERAL NEWS

St Mary's Lenten Catechesis (Talk and Discussion)

Tuesday 15 March: "*The Imitation of Christ*: The Royal Road for Holy Week" – Fr James Bell

The talk takes place in the Marian Room, at 7.00pm.

"Big Spring Sing" Concert: Friday 18 March, at 7.30pm, at Smithton Church – featuring Singing for Pleasure, and the Rainbow Singers, with Smithton School children and Guest Soloist Julie Keane. Tickets priced at £8 each, available from Smithton Church. All proceeds go to 'The Haven Centre', Elsie Normington Foundation. All welcome!

"Dancing with the Stars" – for children & their families! Saturday 2 April, 2.00pm – 5.00pm, in St Mary's Church Hall, Huntly Street. Come along for a fun family afternoon, with a party, food, and drinks. Dance to music with DJ Coli. Tickets, priced at £5 per person, are available from the St Mary's Parish Office; tel. 01463 233519.

The Gabriel Society (continuing adult faith formation)
Tuesday 12 April: "The Social Teaching of the Catholic Church" – St Mary's, Marian Room, 7.30pm.

PARISH NEWS

easyfundraising.org.uk

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could be raising a **free donation for St Columba's Church**, **Culloden?**

There are nearly 3,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra! It's really simple, all you have to do is:

- **1. Join.** Go to the following website: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stcolumbascullo den/ and sign up for free.
- **2. Shop.** Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, pick the retailer you want and start shopping.
- **3. Raise.** After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever! There are **no catches or hidden charges** and St Columba's Church, Culloden will be really grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support.

Reconciliation and Holy Communion classes:

Thursdays from 5.30pm until 6.00pm. 17 March; 14, 21, 28 April.

Confirmation classes: Thursdays from 6.30pm until 7.15pm. 17 March; 21 & 28 April.

Inter-Diocesan World Youth Day Gathering:

The Inter Diocesan WYD 2016 Palm Sunday Mass will be held on **20th March at 1.00pm in St Mary's Cathedral, Aberdeen**. We are expecting around 250 young people from all over Scotland will be attending this event in Aberdeen. This is a fantastic opportunity for those going to World Youth Day in Krakow - and for those from all our parishes who are not going to Krakow - to share their faith together.

The day will involve catechesis for the young people, a Palm Procession before Mass at 3.30pm, and social time. The Speakers and Celebrants are Archbishop Leo Cushley and Bishop Hugh Gilbert. Everyone is welcome, especially young people and families!

"Thirsting for Mercy: Journeying with Christ Through Holy Week". This one-day retreat, organised and led by Fr Domenico, will take place at St Mary's, Beauly, on Monday 21 March, beginning at 11.00am.

The Programme is as follows:

11.00am: Welcome and Introduction to the Day.

11.15am: First Presentation.

11.45am: Quiet time for Reflection.

12.00 noon: Angelus and Rosary.

12.30pm-1.00pm: Holy Mass.

1.00-1.30pm: tea/coffee interval.

1.30pm-2.00pm: Second Presentation

2.00-3.00pm: Penitential Service with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and opportunities for Confession.

3.00pm onwards: Divine Mercy prayers, followed by light refreshments. – Everyone is very welcome!

Volunteers Needed!! – Washing of the Feet

Would you like to take part in the Liturgy of Holy Thursday (24 March)? We are looking for volunteers, who are willing to have their feet washed during the Mass of the Lord's Supper. Please speak to Fr Domenico asap.

Stations of the Cross: each Thursday evening during Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross, from 7.00pm, before the Evening Mass.

Lenten Station Mass at St Mary's, Nairn: our LAST Lenten Station Mass this year these take place at St Mary's, Nairn on Friday 18 March, beginning at 7.00pm. The Principal Celebrant is Bishop Hugh Gilbert, OSB.

Church cleaning: Tuesday at 4.30pm – Margaret and Rhona.

"90 Club": Next draw Sunday 27th March. You could be our next winners – there are a few spare numbers available: only £2 monthly. Please ask Don.

Prize Bingo: NO PRIZE BINGO until 29 April. Thank You to everyone who has donated goods for prizes: without your valuable help, we would not have the success that we do. Any non-perishable items can still be handed in; we will store them until our next Bingo night.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: + Audrey O'Connell + Anna Black + Amelia Drew + John Drew + Cathy Thomson + Marie Coyle + Leslie Murray + Ian Angus +

Anniversaries: + Francis Black + Cecilia MacDonald + Mary Armstrong + Maureen Harkins + Veronica Smith +

R.I.P: + Ross Lyall +