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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

25 APRIL 2021:
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
(Year B (I); Psalter: Week 4)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Acts 4: 8-12
 Resp. Psalm: Ps. 117 (118)
 2nd Reading: 1 John 3: 1-2
 Gospel: John 10: 11-18

Date	Details	Live-Streamed Liturgies	Time
Sunday 25 April	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (p. 433 – Year B)	Live-Streamed Public Holy Mass Public Holy Mass Angelus, Evening Prayer, & Rosary	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm
Monday 26 April	Monday of Week 4 of Eastertide Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass Angelus, Evening Prayer, & Rosary	8.45 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm
Tuesday 27 April	Tuesday of Week 4 of Eastertide Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass Angelus, Evening Prayer, & Rosary	8.45 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm
Wednesday 28 April	Wednesday of Week 4 of Eastertide Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass Angelus, Evening Prayer, & Rosary	8.45 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm
Thursday 29 April	Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor – Feast Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass Angelus, Evening Prayer, & Rosary	8.45 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm
Friday 30 April	Friday of Week 4 of Eastertide Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass Angelus, Evening Prayer, & Rosary	8.45 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm
Saturday 1 May	St. Joseph the Worker Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass Angelus, Evening Prayer, & Rosary	8.45 am 9.30 am 6.00 pm
Sunday 2 May	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (p. 437 – Year B)	Live-Streamed Public Holy Mass Public Holy Mass Angelus, Evening Prayer, & Rosary	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm

Fourth Sunday of Easter: The Shepherd's Voice

Jesus, in today's Gospel, says that He is the good shepherd the prophets had promised to Israel. He is the shepherd-prince, the new David—who frees people from bondage to sin and gathers them into one flock, the Church, under a new covenant, made in His blood (see Ezekiel 34:10–13, 23–31). His flock includes other sheep, He says, far more than the dispersed children of Israel (see Isaiah 56:8; John 11:52). And He gave His Church the mission of shepherding all peoples to the Father.

In today's First Reading, we see the beginnings of that mission in the testimony of Peter, whom the Lord appointed shepherd of His Church (see John 21:15–17).

Peter tells Israel's leaders that the Psalm we sing today is a prophecy of their rejection and crucifixion of Christ. He tells the "builders" of Israel's temple that God has made the stone they rejected the cornerstone of a new spiritual temple, the Church (see Mark 12:10–13; 1 Peter 2:4–7).

Through the ministry of the Church, the shepherd still speaks (see Luke 10:16), and forgives sins (see John 20:23), and makes His body and blood present, that all may know Him in the breaking of the bread (see Luke 24:35). It is a mission that will continue until all the world is one flock under the one shepherd.

In laying down His life and taking it up again, Jesus made it possible for us to know God as He did—as sons and daughters of the Father who loves us. As we hear in today's Second Reading, He calls us His children, as He called Israel His son when He led them out of Egypt and made His covenant with them (see Exodus 4:22–23; Revelation 21:7).

Today, let us listen for His voice as He speaks to us in the Scriptures, and vow again to be more faithful followers. And let us give thanks for the blessings He bestows from His altar. (Scott Hahn)

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Today's Liturgy (CTS New Sunday Missal): Fourth Sunday of Easter (p. 433)

- p. 521: Introductory Rites
- p. 433: Readings & Proper Prayers
- p. 541: The Creed
- p. 563: Preface IV of Easter
- p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II
- p. 631: Communion Rite

Remember one another – Please try to support one another in these challenging times: a phone call to check up on elderly and vulnerable parishioners and friends; a friendly call to see if anyone needs shopping; supporting your local shops and businesses, which will be hit hard from a financial perspective. We are all in this together.

Remember your parish – If you would like to support the maintenance of our parish during this time of lockdown, here are some different ways that the parish can be assisted:

- **A regular Standing Order:** the account details are in the next column opposite, under 'Parish Finances'.
- **Donations in an envelope, put through the church letterbox.** During this period, and for the foreseeable future, any offerings, donations or benefactions to the parish will be paid in to our No. 1 (Running) Account.
- **A re-evaluation of your level of giving.** If every parishioner at Mass gave an extra £5 (two coffees at Costa or Starbucks..), it would make an enormous difference to the future of the parish!!
- **A Bequest,** or gift left in a will, is an increasingly popular way of remembering your parish. All bequests should be made to St. Columba's Culloden Fabric Account. All benefactors are remembered at our Masses.

Thank you for your consideration and continuing generosity and support – it is greatly appreciated.

"I rejoiced when I heard them say: Let us go to God's House!" (Psalm 121/122) – St. Columba's is now open for public worship. At present, the maximum seating capacity at Mass is FIFTY souls – which should not be a problem for midweek worship. Fr. Domenico will continue to offer two Masses each Sunday: at 9.30am (which will also be live-streamed) and at 11.00am. To book a seat(s) for Mass, here are the links:

2 May: Fifth Sunday of Easter, at 9.30am

<https://mass-at-st-columbas-culloden-02-05-2021-0930am.eventbrite.co.uk>

2 May: Fifth Sunday of Easter, at 11.00am

<https://mass-at-st-columbas-culloden-02-05-2021-1100am.eventbrite.co.uk>

Please note that seats for both Masses will be available to book online from Sunday 25 April, at 12 noon. If you have a problem or query, please contact Fr. Domenico.

SCIAF Wee Boxes – Please hand in your Wee Boxes to St. Columba's as soon as possible. **The cheque will be sent off to SCIAF next week, and boxes will not be**

accepted after that date. Please remember that if you are a UK taxpayer, you can gift aid your donation; simply fill out your details on the box. **The UK government will match all donations made.** Thank you for your generosity.

Ever wanted to read the whole Bible? In a year?! - If you've struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you! Ascension's ***Bible in a Year Podcast***, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz and featuring Jeff Cavins, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes. Each 20-25 minute episode includes:

- **two to three scripture readings**
- **a reflection** from Fr. Mike Schmitz
- **and guided prayer** to help you **hear God's voice in his Word.**

You can even join in on your PC or phone via the internet: go to: <https://media.ascensionpress.com/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/> Tune in and live your daily life through the lens of God's word!

Calling all Catholic Men! FREE online Conference, 23-25 April – St. John Paul II often stated that "Man cannot know himself except through a sincere gift of self." In a world that is growing increasingly suspicious of masculinity, we need more than ever to return to our roots and remember our identity and calling as men. When we know who we are as men, we can be a sincere gift to our families and to the world.

The *A Man and Father Conference* is leading this discussion of what it means to live our unique call as men in all arenas of our life - family, prayer, hobbies, work, and more. For more information, visit the conference website: <https://go.virtualcatholicconference.com/manandfather>

Church Cleaning: Can You Help? – As we reopen our church for liturgies, we need to arrange a cleaning rota. If anyone can spare approximately **one hour per week or fortnight**, please pass your name and a contact phone number to Peter Harkins, who will then contact you to discuss your availability. If we have enough volunteers, then we hope to limit your commitment to fortnightly. Thank you!

90 Club: DRAW TODAY, Sunday 25 April! Good luck to all who have a number. Spare numbers are available; only £2 monthly, with three prizes to be won! Speak to Father Domenico for details.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Katie Mary Fraser, Norman Wood, Stuart MacLennan, John Macdonald, Patrick Macpherson, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Angela Rogers, Angela Broad, Fr. Simon Lumbela, Ellen Williams, Chris Hamilton, David Munro, Catherine Hudson-Storey, Rebecca O'Hara, Agnes Murphy, Hattie Thynne, Shannon MacLeod, Mary MacLean

Anniversaries: John Prendergast, Craig Reid, Charles Connochie