



# St. Columba's, Culloden

Tower Road, Culloden, Inverness, IV2 7PW  
 Tel: (01463) 794619 (Sacristy) / (01463) 794993 (House)  
 E-mail: stcolumbasculloden@outlook.com  
 Website: www.stcolumbasculloden.org  
 Facebook: www.facebook.com/stcolumbasculloden  
 Parish Priest: Fr. Domenico Zanrè  
 Parish Safeguarding Coordinator: Dr. Helen Macdonald



## ~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

**29 MARCH 2020:**  
**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION**  
**(Year A (II); Psalter: Week 2)**

## Mass Readings

Gospel before the Procession: Matthew 21:1-11  
 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7  
 Psalm: Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 2:6-11  
 Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

Date	Details	Service	Time
<b>Sunday 5 April</b>	<b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION</b> (p. 232 – Year A)	<b>Private Sunday Mass offered for the parishioners of St. Columba's</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>
Monday 6 April	Monday of Holy Week Mass Intention: Patricia Campbell, R.I.P. (Lately Departed)	Private Mass; followed by Holy Hour	10.30 am
Tuesday 7 April	Tuesday of Holy Week Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Private Mass; followed by Holy Hour	10.30 am
Wednesday 8 April	Wednesday of Holy Week Mass Intention: Donor's Intention	Private Mass; followed by Holy Hour Home DVD: 'The Passion of the Christ'	10.30 am 7.00 pm
Thursday 9 April	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> <b>MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (p. 275)</b>	Private Mass, followed by Watching at the Altar & Night Prayer	7.30 pm
Friday 10 April	<b>GOOD FRIDAY OF THE PASSION (p. 286)</b>	Liturgy of the Passion Stations of the Cross	3.00 am 7.00 pm
Saturday 11 April	<b>EASTER VIGIL (p. 317)</b> Mass Intention: Francis Black, R.I.P. (11 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary today)	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night	8.30 pm
<b>Sunday 12 April</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION</b> (p. 362 – Year A)	<b>Private Sunday Mass offered for the parishioners of St. Columba's</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>

## Palm Sunday of the Passion: All is Fulfilled

“All this has come to pass that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled,” Jesus says in today's Gospel (see Matthew 26:56). Indeed, we have reached the climax of the liturgical year, the highest peak of salvation history, when all that has been anticipated and promised is to be fulfilled.

By the close of today's long Gospel, the work of our redemption will have been accomplished, the new covenant will be written in the blood of His broken body hanging on the cross at the place called the Skull.

In His Passion, Jesus is “counted among the wicked,” as Isaiah had foretold (see Isaiah 53:12). He is revealed definitively as the Suffering Servant the prophet announced, the long-awaited Messiah whose words of obedience and faith ring out in today's First Reading and Psalm.

The taunts and torments we hear in these two readings punctuate the Gospel as Jesus is beaten and mocked (see Matthew 27:31), as His hands and feet are pierced, as enemies

gamble for His clothes (see Matthew 27:35), and as His enemies dare Him to prove His divinity by saving Himself from suffering (see Matthew 27:39–44).

He remains faithful to God's will to the end, does not turn back in His trial. He gives Himself freely to His torturers, confident that, as He speaks in today's First Reading: “The Lord God is My help. . . I shall not be put to shame.”

Destined to sin and death as children of Adam's disobedience, we have been set free for holiness and life by Christ's perfect obedience to the Father's will (see Romans 5:12–14, 17–19; Ephesians 2:2; 5:6).

This is why God greatly exalted Him. This is why we have salvation in His Name. Following His example of humble obedience in the trials and crosses of our lives, we know we will never be forsaken. We know, as the centurion today, that truly this is the Son of God (see Matthew 27:54). (Scott Hahn)

## PARISH NEWS

### **Today's Liturgy (CTS New Sunday Missal): Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, Year A (p. 232) –**

p. 234: Entrance Procession Gospel (Year A)  
p. 521: Introductory Rites  
p. 244: Readings & Proper Prayers; p. 246: Gospel (Year A)  
p. 541: Creed  
p. 266: Preface: The Passion of the Lord  
p. 611: Eucharistic Prayer III  
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** – thank you for the magnificent way in which you are supporting St. Columba's during this time of closure! As you will see, we received a wonderful donation of £500 from an extremely kind anonymous donor: God bless you! During the coming weeks and months, we will all be self-isolating at home, but as you know, your parish is still here, and needs to be maintained, kept open and administered at a time of much diminished regular giving. In addition to the church, we have the parish house, with all of the associated costs (electricity, gas, water rates, council tax, phone, internet, stationery and office supplies, household items, provisions, and so on). On top of this we have considerable financial obligations to the Diocese, in the form of monthly levies. Here are some different ways that the parish can be assisted during these 'strange days':

- **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.** We are currently £1,000 in debit every month. 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 Building Fund Account. All benefactors are remembered at our Masses.

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

### **HOLY WEEK LITURGIES**

I realise that this year, our Holy Week liturgies will be celebrated behind closed doors. However, just to give you an idea of what I will be doing – so that you can join me in spiritual solidarity! – here's the intended programme:

#### **5 April: Palm Sunday:**

9.30am: Holy Mass  
10.00am: Holy Hour (Adoration, Rosary, and Angelus)

#### **6 April: Monday of Holy Week**

10.30am: Holy Mass  
11.00am: Holy Hour (Adoration, Rosary, and Angelus)

#### **7 April: Tuesday of Holy Week**

10.30am: Holy Mass  
11.00am: Holy Hour (Adoration, Rosary, and Angelus)

#### **8 April: Wednesday of Holy Week**

10.30am: Holy Mass  
11.00am: Holy Hour (Adoration, Rosary, and Angelus)  
7.00pm: Film: 'The Passion of the Christ' (DVD at home)

#### **9 April: Holy Thursday**

7.30pm: Holy Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by  
Watching at the Altar, & Night Prayer

#### **10 April: Good Friday**

3.00pm: Liturgy of the Passion  
7.00pm: Stations of the Cross

#### **11 April: Holy Saturday**

8.30pm: Easter Vigil

#### **12 April: Easter Sunday**

10.30am: Holy Mass

**Holy Week with Pope Francis:** you can follow the Holy Father's liturgies, courtesy of Vatican TV. Here is his programme for Holy Week and beyond – click here:  
<http://w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/en/special/2020/settimanasanta2020.html>

**Mass intentions** – if you would like a private Mass celebrated for any sick family and friends, or any deceased loved ones, simply e-mail Fr. Domenico.

**FREE Online Study Programme from Scott Hahn** – The St. Paul Centre is offering, for a limited time, completely free access to its online study programme entitled 'The Eucharist in Scripture'. It is only one of a number of resources on its new page, 'The Quarantined Catholic Hub' (<https://stpaulcenter.com/hub/>).

**Reflect with Bishop Robert Barron on the Stations of the Cross** – a beautiful video reflection is available FREE here: <https://stations.wordonfire.org/stations-of-the-cross> - together with pdf text and mp3 audio versions.

**90 Club – NEXT DRAW:** Sunday 26th April.

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** + Anna Black + Angus Johnson + Michael Good + Laura Johnstone + Norman Wood + Katie Mary Fraser + Margaret and Stuart MacLennan + Jeanette Catto + John Macdonald + Evelyn MacGregor + Mary Ritchie + Denise Maclean + Rena Herbison +

**Recently Departed:** + Patricia Campbell +

**Anniversaries:** + Francis Black + June Olga Hall + Peggy Johnstone + Monsignor Robert McDonald + Elsie Heinowski + Ruby Bell +