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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

26 MARCH 2023:
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
(Year A (I); Psalter: Week 1)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37: 12-14
Resp. Psalm: Ps 129 (130)
2nd Reading: Romans 8: 8-11
Gospel: John 11: 1-45

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Sunday 26 March	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (p. 176) Second Collection: Easter Flowers	Live-Streamed Holy Mass	9.30 am
Tuesday 28 March	Tuesday of Week 5 in Lent	Sacrament of Confession Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	6.00 pm 6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Wednesday 29 March	'Thirsting for Our Saviour' Journeying with Jesus' ~ First Parish Reflection for Holy Week ~	Presentation, Adoration Confession, Benediction	From 7.00pm
Thursday 30 March	Thursday of Week 5 in Lent Mass Intention: Sam Reilly, RIP (Second Anniversary Today)	Sacrament of Confession * Stations of the Cross * Live-Streamed Holy Mass	6.00 pm 6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Saturday 1 April	Saturday of Week 5 in Lent	Sacrament of Confession Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.15 am 8.45 am 9.30 am
Sunday 2 April	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION (pp. 232 ff)	Live-Streamed Holy Mass	9.30 am
Wednesday 5 April	'Thirsting for Our Saviour' Journeying with Jesus' ~ Second Parish Reflection for Holy Week ~	Presentation, Adoration Confession, Benediction	From 7.00pm
THE HOLY TRIDUUM			
Thursday 6 April	Maundy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper (pp. 268 ff.)	Live-Streamed Holy Mass	7.30pm
Friday 7 April	Good Friday: Liturgy of the Passion (pp. 286 ff.)	Live-Streamed Liturgy	3.00pm
Saturday 8 April	Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil of the Resurrection (pp. 317 ff.)	Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.30pm
Sunday 9 April	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION (pp. 362 ff.)	Live-Streamed Holy Mass	9.30am

Thoughts on Holy Week with Pope Francis

"Holy Week is a privileged time when we are called to draw near to Jesus: friendship with him is shown in times of difficulty. [It is] a good time to go to Confession and to take up the right path again."

PARISH NEWS

Today's Liturgy: Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year A (p. 176)

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 176: Readings & Proper Prayers

p. 543: The Apostles' Creed

p. 180: Preface: Lazarus

p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II

p. 631: Communion Rite

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION: this is to assist us in purchasing flowers for Easter Sunday and the Eastertide season. "I understood that every flower created by Him is beautiful, that the brilliance of the rose and the whiteness of the lily do not lessen the perfume of the violet or the sweet simplicity of the daisy. I understood that if all the lowly flowers wished to be roses, nature would no longer be enamelled with lovely hues. And so it is in the world of souls, Our Lord's living garden." (St. Thérèse of Lisieux, *Autobiography of a Soul*)

READERS & ALTAR SERVERS – could all Readers and Altar Servers please inform the Sacristans and Fr. Domenico of their availability for ministry during Holy Week? Simply sign up in our liturgy notebook in the Sacristy.

ST. COLUMBA'S LENTEN STATION MASS: THIS FRIDAY, 31 March, at 7.00pm – please do come along and support the parish at our Station Mass! Any assistance that you could give us would be greatly appreciated. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the entrance foyer: we are looking for volunteers to assist us. Thank you for your support!!

LENTEN TALKS: "Thirsting for Our Saviour: Journeying with Jesus through Holy Week" – Fr. Domenico will deliver two talks, to assist with our Holy Week and Triduum preparations: on **Wednesday 29 March, and Wednesday 5 April, both beginning at 7.00pm**. The talk will conclude around 7.30pm, and will be followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, with opportunities to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The evening will conclude at 8.30pm with Benediction.

PIETY STALL – looking for Easter Cards, First Holy Communion gifts, or ideas for presents? Why not check out our extensive range of items at our Piety Stall. Your one-stop shop for all things Catholic!

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IN 2024! – Bishop Hugh has kindly agreed to come to the parish and bestow the Sacrament of Confirmation upon our candidates on **Sunday 21 April 2024**. If your child is of the appropriate age (P7/S1), please do get in contact with Fr. Domenico as soon as possible, please.

EASTER EGG RAFFLE! - now on sale: £1 per strip. 5 lovely prizes to be won, drawn on Easter Sunday. Tickets available on the table at the front door.

Prize Bingo: our next evening together will be FRIDAY, 28 APRIL. Doors open at 6.30pm; 'eyes down' at 7.00pm. Thank you for the many lovely items handed in to give as prizes; there are often very appreciative comments from the players. Your kindness and support is greatly appreciated!

90 Club: NEXT DRAW ON SUNDAY, 30 APRIL! – Would you like to be a winner too? Why not speak to Don for details?

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Chris Hamilton, Rina Herbison, David Munro, Ellen Williams, Rose Corbett, Winnie Ferrari, Eileen Anne Millar, Tony Lightfoot, Mary & Esther Smith, Linda Macdonald

RIP: Shonaidh Ban Macdonald

Anniversaries: Mary MacCormick, Sam Reilly, Derek Reid