



Parish of Our Lady & St. Bridget's, West Calder

Parish of the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh, a Charity registered in Scotland – number SC00854

Sunday 3rd April 2022 – 5th Sunday of Lent C

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| | TIME | | MASS INTENTIONS | Liturgical Calendar |
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| Saturday | HMP 5.15pm | | People of the parish Kit Toner (Anniv) | |
| Sunday | 10am | S | Elizabeth Bajai (Anniv) | 5 Sunday of Lent C |
| Monday | 9.30am | | John Gilhooley (RIP) | |
| Tuesday | No public Mass | | Mary Przybylska (Anniv) | |
| Wednesday | 7pm | | Patrick & Sarah Kelly (Anniv) | |
| Thursday | 9.30am | | Thanksgiving | |
| Friday | 7am | | Bernadette McCart (Anniv) | |
| Saturday | HMP 5.15pm | | People of the parish Paul McLay (Anniv) | |
| Sunday | 10am | S | Alice Hoens (McMahon) Anniv | Palm Sunday |

S – Mass live streamed online

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) : 30 minutes before Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday Mass.

Sick & Housebound visit – Every First Friday after morning Mass. Fr Marcin

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 6.30pm every Wednesday.

Rosary – 15min before every first Saturday/Sunday Mass.

Chaplet to the Divine Mercy – 15min before Wednesday Mass.

Children's Newsletters for every Sunday available at the back of the church

Weekly Parish Newsletter – Online. Free Printed version at the back of the church (Sign up required)

The church is open daily from morning till 6pm.

Scottish Catholic newspaper £2 and **Catholic Directory for 2022** £3 available at the back of the church.

Please be aware that Mass schedule especially for weekday Masses can be occasionally changed due to days off, funerals or other clergy commitments. Please always refer to the newsletter for up-to-date Mass times.

A prayer for peace in Ukraine

O Loving God, your Son, Jesus Christ, came into the world to do your Will and leave us His Peace. Through the intercession and example of our Blessed Mother Mary, Queen of Peace, grant us the wisdom and humility to reflect that peace to the world. Inspire our thoughts, words and deeds to bear witness to your presence in our hearts. May your Holy Spirit fill us with every grace and blessing so that we may pursue what leads to peace for all humanity. Amen

Please pray for the sick: Willie Gaughan, Elsie Burns, Irene McFadden, Jackie Flannagan, John Cairney, Frank McLinden, Margaret Mooney, Jean O'Hagan, Martin Coyne, Rachel Shiels, Leo Barker, Anne MacKay, Bernard Kane, Aldwyn Victor Valentine

HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2022

Palm Sunday 10th April
10am Palm Sunday Mass

Holy Thursday 14th April
7.00 pm Mass of the Last Supper
9.45pm Night prayers in the church

Good Friday 15th April
3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday 16th April
8.30 pm The Solemn Easter Paschal Vigil.

Easter Sunday 18th April
9.30am Mass of Easter Sunday

Parish Mass Books. Order of Mass: p.6, Readings: p.176; Preface p.70, Eucharistic Prayer IIIp.28.

Sanctuary lamp: Ad Infinitam Dei Gloriam

THE LEGAL REQUIREMENT TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS IN CHURCHES IN SCOTLAND WILL BE REMOVED FROM MONDAY 4 APRIL. There is no need to wear a face covering in church from this date (though you can continue to wear one if you wish). Please continue to respect the space of fellow parishioners and remember to sanitise your hands upon entering and leaving church.

READERS. If anyone who was previously a reader at Mass before COVID and would now like to return to the ministry please contact Frank Boles . A new rota will be published for the period after Easter. Frank's contact details are francisboles@icloud.com or 07526547552.

Upcoming Events:

April 3rd – Next Children Liturgy

Bonus ball winner – No 29 Davy Johnson

Last Sunday collection – £462.50 (+ approx. £269pw via Direct Debits, Internet and Card Payments)
SCIAF special collection – £311.

Maintenance updates – Church roof has been repaired (£5880) ; Electronic Church Organ's need to be repaired or replaced. Regular maintenance of the church, house and grounds is underway as planned.

During Lent we will have additional time to deepen our devotions and spirituality. On **Friday morning** there will be **morning Mass at 7am** (Tea & coffee available after Mass in the parish house) and **Stations of the Cross – every Friday 7pm**. We need individuals or groups who would like to lead the Stations of the Cross.

SCIAF Ukraine Appeal

As well as your prayers please consider supporting SCIAF's emergency appeal for Ukraine, if you are able. Donations can be made at <https://www.sciaf.org.uk/> To find out how the Catholic Church is helping those in Ukraine see <https://www.caritas.org/>

The Margaret Sinclair Story

The online Premiere of The Margaret Sinclair Story will be broadcast live on Tuesday 29 March at 7.00pm The Story of Venerable Margaret Sinclair, from Edinburgh, is vividly brought to life in this docu-drama. Watch live at <https://youtu.be/7LYFhRoRPz8> After the premiere, Rachel (who plays Margaret in the film) and director Stephen Callaghan will host a public Zoom chat from 8:00pm at <https://zoom.us/j/96814393754>

The Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage is back! Demand is expected to be high for this popular and life-enhancing trip so booking now is recommended. It takes place from 8-15 July and will be led by Archbishop Cushley. All the details you need are at www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes22

Returning to Confession

The Archdiocese is inviting Catholics to experience the healing embrace and forgiveness of Jesus in the Sacrament of Penance this Lent. *Returning to Confession* is a 45 minute event on YouTube led by Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM. It is on this Monday (7 March) at 7:30pm. No registration required - watch live at bit.ly/ArchYouTube

Car parking – Please use the church's car parking with consideration to other users by parking your car starting with the further available spot and not blocking other lines.

The Easter Story told live in the heart of Edinburgh Live in Princes Street Gardens for the first time since 2018 ‘Hope Rises’ The play will be performed for a live audience....

16th April at 2pm, West Princes Street Gardens. A group of displaced people arrive in a new country. They have nothing – except their stories. Stories of encounters with a remarkable person who changed everything. His name was Jesus. He gave them hope. The Easter Story brought to life in the centre of Edinburgh by our talented community cast, with the iconic backdrop of Edinburgh Castle. Performed for a live audience and livestreamed to audiences across the country. More info and live internet streaming on: <https://easterplay.org>

Online Retreat

The Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Glasgow is hosting an online retreat in Lent. Each day features an episode from the life of St Ignatius, music, art, a reading from Scripture and a reflection. Details at <https://iscglasgow.co.uk/lent22.html>

Christian Meditation

Experience how Christian Meditation with others leads you to the joy of God’s healing. We meditate in person at 63 York Place on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. Afterwards you are welcome for refreshments and to socialize. On Wednesdays at 7 p.m. we meditate online on Zoom. The up-to-date schedule is

here: <https://www.meetup.com/Christian-Meditation-Group/events/>

Contact info - mobile: 0771 777 2614 Facebook: <http://on.fb.me/1cuO5QJ>

“**Passing the Baton**” is Bethany’s befriending service that helps to support men and women who have experienced homelessness or are at risk of becoming homeless in Edinburgh. Volunteering as a Befriender brings many opportunities for personal growth and new connections as well as the chance to help support someone rebuilding their life after a difficult experience. **How do I book for the training?** Please book your free space by registering at Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/passing-the-baton-training-tickets-256863013187>

Vacancy The Archdiocese is recruiting an **Adviser in Religious Education (primary schools)**. While the post is full-time, applicants looking for part-time or flexible working patterns are also encouraged to apply. Please see archedinburgh.org.uk/news-events for full details.

African/Caribbean Mass

The new monthly African/Caribbean Mass for the Archdiocese will be celebrated at St Patrick's, Cowgate, Edinburgh, at 1pm on Sunday 6 March. All welcome.

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