

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

Sunday 22nd March 4th Sunday of Lent- A

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TIME

21 March Saturday
22 March Sunday
23 March Monday
24 March Tuesday
25 March Wednesday
26 March Thursday
27 March Friday
28 March Saturday
29 March Sunday

MASS INTENTIONS

Dennis Gallagher (Anniv)
People of the Parish
Mrs. Cissy Menzies (Anniv)
Special intention
Kelly Anne Quinn (RIP)
Janet & James Kelly
Alex Trench (Anniv)
Eva Di Boasio
People of the Parish



Parish Mass book (Yellow) Year A, Vol 1

Order of Mass: p. 6
Prayers & Readings:
Preface: Eucharistic Prayer:

Sanctuary Lamps this week for: Dennis Gallagher

Suspension of public celebrations of Holy Mass (18th March 2020)

Given the recent official advice to reduce the spread of Covid-19, the Bishops of Scotland have taken the difficult decision to suspend Holy Mass in public for the time being. The Bishops, who are responding to an unprecedented crisis in modern times, wish to assure all those whom they lead that this decision has not been taken without much prayer and discernment. Priests will continue to celebrate Holy Mass in private with the particular intention of praying for those suffering from Covid-19 and for those who care for them. Churches will remain open for personal prayer and parish priests are encouraged to welcome individuals who seek consolation and encouragement from the Lord. All Catholics in Scotland are asked to join with all the Churches in a National Day of Prayer this Sunday 22nd March and to pray the Rosary, the prayer of our Blessed Mother Mary, at 12 noon, asking Her intercession for our country and our world in this time of need.

Bishop's Conference of Scotland

Message from Fr Marcin

I have never suspected that during my life time I will be witnessing time when the Celebration of Mass will be limited to that degree. That very sad and difficult time for us but also a new chance for us all to appreciate this gift,

renew our spiritual bonds and show commitment to faith even if we cannot gather together in one physical place/building. That might be test for all of us.

Please see our MULTIMEDIA part of the parish website to join online prayers and services from other churches and that way continue to remain in prayerful unity and faith. Archdiocesan website also will provide updates and resources.

Please pray for each other, NHS staff and all other services that work for us. Also for all those affected by the situation in many different ways (health, economically, family bonds, stranded abroad or self-isolated).

Stay in touch with your friends, family members neighbours reaching out to those who may at this time need more attention or help.

I assure you about my prayers for you all at this time at our local church and I do mean it !!!

Our church remains open for private prayers and adoration, feel free to pop in to lit a candle and say a prayer if you are around. **If anyone needs special assistance, help or pastoral needs at this time please contact Fr Marcin.**

Stay safe and strong in faith.
Yours - Fr Marcin

Feel free to use our parish Bank

Accounts to still support our parish up keeping via direct debit, standing orders or direct money transfers. We rely on generosity of our parishioners. Thank you. Mass intentions still can be accepted over email or post.

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Community response to COVID-19

Polbeth Hub have planned a range of community support services (food parcels and meals, support line, check-ins) and will be dropping a flier around the village on Thursday

- The Brunch Club (CDT and WCEA) plans to produce chilled meals and use a network of volunteers/staff to deliver them to those at risk and elderly local people at the discounted seniors rate of £2 for a main course/£3 for soup and main.

- The Food Bank has introduced an emergency protocol parcel pick-up and may offer delivery.

- Harburn Residents have set up a mutual support group which is already collecting prescriptions and checking in on folk.

-GP Surgery has change the appointment system. All routine appointments suspended. Please see poster or social media for more info.

Please pray for the sick: Willie Gaughan, Margaret Healy, Elsie Burns, John Toner, Irene McFadden Jackie Flannagan, John & Elizabeth Cairney, Frank McLinden, Margaret Mooney. Jean O'Hagan. Martin Coyne, David McMillan, Joe Smedley, Irene Eardley, Ella Cassaly. Paul Marshall, Rachel Shiels.

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.



**Our Lady & St. Bridget's church is open
daily from 9am-6pm**

Confessions

Wednesday 6-6.50pm, Saturday 4.30-
5.00pm, Sunday 9.30-9.50

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday 6-7pm

Rosary: Before Mass every first Sunday
of the month

Chaplet to the Divine Mercy

Wednesdays before evening Mass

Sick & housebound

Every first week of the month and on
request

Children's Liturgy

Last Sunday of every month

Tea & Coffee after Mass 1st Sunday of
the month in the Community Centre

Called to give-Collection

8 March £ 652.88

8 March Church in Need Appeal £ 892.20

15 March £521.49

Bonus Ball No.