



Luke 24

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, **“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!** Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ‘The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’ ” Then they remembered his words.

I hope that this Easter time of new beginnings and new life brings your new aspirations and new hope. Have a blessed and meaningful Easter! Fr Marcin



Parish of Our Lady & St. Bridget's, West Calder Sunday 4th April 2021 – Easter Sunday

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TIME	MASS INTENTIONS	Liturgical Calendar
Saturday 8pm B	Bob MacDonald (RIP)	
Sunday 11am SB	People of the parish	Easter Sunday
Monday 9.30am S	Sick person	
Tuesday No public Mass	Patrick & Sarah Kelly (Anniv)	
Wednesday 7pm S	Kit Toner (Anniv)	
Thursday 7pm	Paul McLay (Anniv)	
Friday 9.30am S	Ellen & Bob Steel	
Saturday 5.15pm B	Alice Hoens (McMahon) (anniv)	
Sunday 10am SB	Special Intention Clair Family	2 nd . Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday

S – Mass live streamed online B – Booking required

Confession 30minutes before Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday Mass.

Next Sunday is the 2nd Sunday of Easter the Divine Mercy Sunday.

Please pray for Late Elizabeth Bajai whose funeral will take place on Wednesday 14th April 2021, 9.30am. May she rest in peace and raise in Glory.

Please pray for the sick: Willie Gaughan, Elsie Burns, John Toner, Irene McFadden Jackie Flannagan, John & Elizabeth Cairney, Frank McLinden, Margaret Mooney. Jean O'Hagan. Martin Coyne, Irene Eardley, Ella Cassaly. Paul Marshall, Rachel Shiels. Leo Barker, Anne MacKay, Bernard Kane, Bernadet McCart.

Bonus ball winner – no 12 Elizabeth Wynne

New gift Aid envelopes are available at the back of the church.

Thank you – Our church is open once again from Friday 25 March but I would like to say big thank you to all who were looking after for our church community during lockdown. Thank you to all, to those who volunteered to lead online rosary, liturgy of the word and music for streamed online Sunday liturgies. Thank you to those helping with booking system to reopen the church for Easter. Thank you to Fabric & Maintenance committee as there was ongoing need to carry on maintenance of the buildings in West Calder and Addiewell. Thank you to those who cleaned our church and church linens. And of course, thank you to all who continue to support us financially and to those joining our liturgies that unite us in prayer and keep together. Very well done all. Fr Marcin & PPC.

‘Scenes From The Passion’ is a series of 21 short films, currently being shot at locations around Edinburgh, in which our actors take different characters in the Easter story and re-imagine them in contemporary settings. As well as Jesus himself and Mary, his mother, we explore voices from the fringes of the story: the centurion who watched the Crucifixion, the wife of Pontius Pilate, the mother of Judas Iscariot. These films will be released from April 1st-4th on www.edinburghpassion.com.

Sacramental preparation for children – In order to allow the wider possibly participation in the celebration of the sacraments assuming that we will be progressing slowly toward relaxation in public gatherings in cooperation with our schools the fooling dates has been set:

Sacrament of Reconciliation 26th April 7pm St.Thoma’s School; 7.30pm – St. Mary’s School.

First Holy Communion: 19th June 2021,

Sacrament of Confirmation 16th of June.

Churches openings -

-Places of worship are to re-open to the public on Friday 26 March.

-The maximum attendance will be 50 for those churches that can accommodate two metre physical distancing (smaller churches may have reduced capacity).

- Booking in advance required for Weekend Masses and bigger Celebrations.

Prayer booklet - Catholics are being encouraged to get their hands on a little prayer booklet specially produced by the Archdiocese for the Year of St Joseph. Prayer books are available to pick up from 'black parcel drop box' at the front of parish house. Free of charge.

Archdiocesan directory for 2021 available at the back of the church £3.

Grace: The Church’s Hidden Treasure (Zoom)

Easter is a season of grace, so register now for a six week course titled *Grace: The Church’s Hidden Treasure*. It is hosted by the Archdiocese and takes place on Mondays at 7:30pm, starting **19th April**. Sessions will focus on grace according to the teaching of Saint Thomas Aquinas in the *Summa Theologica*. It will include an introduction on how to read the *Summa*, its structure, and how to go through one of Saint Thomas’ articles. The webinar course is organised by the Catechetical Commission of the Archdiocese and led by Fr Kevin Douglas (St Peter’s & St Columba’s, Edinburgh) and Sr Anna Marie McGuan RSM. Register now at bit.ly/GraceCourse2021 Sessions will be recorded.

Exterminating Poverty or the Poor? A Scottish Doctor’s Story (Zoom)

Mark H Sutherland & Neil Sutherland, authors of ‘Exterminating Poverty’, will tell the true story of how a Scottish doctor took on Marie Stopes 100 years ago, and why this matters today. This webinar will inform and inspire those who take up the pro-life fight today. It takes place at 7:45pm on **Monday 26th April**. Register now on Eventbrite bit.ly/ExterminatingPovertyOrThePoor

Please see our parish website for more information and prayer resources and links to catholic events and media.

THE BRUNCH CLUB



During the COVID19 crisis The Brunch Club @ home can deliver a two course meal (cooked and chilled for reheating) – and maybe some extra goodies! – to elderly, vulnerable and isolated people in our community. There is no charge for this service but there will be an opportunity to donate later when it is safe to do so.

Deliveries will be made by our kind volunteer group.

If you know anyone who could benefit from this please do let them know.

All you need to do is phone once to register and let us take it from there.

Steps to register

1. Call our hotline on **07926 172029** (this number is also on Polbeth Hubs support leaflet).
Leave a message if no one answers with the following info: name, address and contact telephone
2. Someone will call you back to confirm details and then we will call each week for the following weeks order

Your chilled meal will be delivered between 11.30 and 1pm each day.

All meals will come in microwavable tubs that are re-usable so please wash them and leave them out when you get your next meal.
These will be sterilised and reused if possible.

Like you, we don't know exactly what's around the corner and things might change depending on government guidelines and demand but we are committed to doing as much as we can and will keep you posted regularly.

Thanks and be safe.

MEMORARE Prayer

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.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.