

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

Sunday 24th May 2020 – 7th Sunday of Easter

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TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
23 May Saturday	People of the Parish
24 May Sunday	Thanksgiving Mass (Sylwia & Marcin with family)
25 May Monday	Elisabeth Cosgrove Scott (Anniv)
26 May Tuesday	Peter Duffy (RIP)
27 May Wednesday	Audrey King (RIP)
28 May Thursday	Victims of Covid-19
29 May Friday	Donors Intention
30 May Saturday	Catherine Lavery (Anniv)
31 May Sunday	People of the Parish



Today is 7th Sunday of Easter. World Cominication Day. Next Sunday is Pentacost Sunday and end of Pashaltide.

Please see our parish website for link to see mass celebrated on line in our archdiocese, UK and all over the world.

Communications Sunday (24 May) -

This Sunday is World Communications Day. The Pope's annual message can be read here. Peter Kearney of the Scottish Catholic Media Office has written a reflection on the message, which I attach. Parishioners can donate online to the collection using the following link:

https://donor.secure-operations.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086319&period=&reference=COMMS&hidden_amount=&amount=&type=2

Special Collection: Day for Life (31 May)

The theme for this year's Day for Life is "Choose Life". During the coronavirus crisis calls from pregnant women are still being received so your donations will be well used by the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office to help them. You can donate online: https://donor.secure-operations.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086319&type=2&hidden_amount=&amount=&reference=LIFE. Or cheques can be sent to Pro-Life Office, Archdiocesan Offices, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Please make cheques payable to Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh. Thank you for your support at this time!

Vocations Mass

Please help promote the monthly Vocations Mass. For newsletters: The monthly Mass for Vocations will be streamed on the Facebook page of St David's Parish, Dalkeith (@stdavidsdalkeith) on Monday 01 June at 6.30pm. You can also watch it live on the Archdiocesan Facebook page (@EdinburghRCdiocese). Please pray for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

BONUS BALL—The bonus ball fund raising for Father Aloys in Kenya will be postponed from last week (22/3/20) until Sunday Mass resumes. We would ask that those in the scheme continue to put your pound away each week and we will collect them when mass resumes, we could perhaps hold two or more prizes of £100 when things are back to normal. Thank you all. T Toner

NEW donation website has been set up by the archdiocese to support your local parish. If you would like to pay safe by card please visit our parish website and click DONATION page. This is safe & secure diocesan program.

Feel free to use also our parish Bank Accounts to support our parish via direct debit, standing orders or direct money transfers. We rely on generosity of our parishioners. Thank you. We can't handle money at the moment so please for time being use money transfer to parish account or hold on with your donations till we will be back to more normal life.

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Mass intentions still can be accepted over email or post.

First Holy Communion will be postponed most likely till autumn.

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 WCCEA) 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, 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.

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 every Friday 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.

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

Bonus Ball No.

*Parish newsletter is available also on our
website and via 'The catholic app' for
smartphones.*