

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 24 March Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	5:00pm (Sat)	St Peter in Chains	Vigil Mass	Garicar & Myla Fronda (25th Anniv.)
	9:30am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	Bernadette O'Neill (RIP)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	For the People
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Kenneth Rodgers (Anniv.)
Monday 25 March Monday in Holy Week	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Christopher & Kieron Wilson (Anniv.)
	6:30pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Confessions & Adoration	
Tuesday 26 March Tuesday in Holy Week	7:00pm	St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh	Chrism Mass	Eddie O'Brien (Anniv.)
Wednesday 27 March Wednesday of Holy Week	12:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Requiem Mass	Bernadette Ward (RIP)
	6:30pm	St Peter in Chains	Confessions & Adoration	
Thursday 28 March Holy Thursday	9:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Morning Prayer	
	7:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Matt Gibbons (Sick)
	10:00pm		Night Prayer	
Friday 29 March Good Friday (DAY OF FASTING & ABSTINANCE)	9:30am	St Peter in Chains	Morning Prayer	
	3:00pm	St John & St Columba	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	
	7:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Stations of the Cross	
Saturday 30 March Holy Saturday at the Tomb of Christ	9:30am	St John & St Columba	Morning Prayer	
	12:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Blessing of Easter Food	
	9:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Easter Vigil	David Mitchell (RIP)
Sunday 31 March Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	9:30am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	For the People
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Lilienne Walsh (RIP)
	5:00pm	N.B St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Peter O'Hora (Anniv.)

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Marriages & Baptisms

Arrangements for weddings, for which six months notice is required, as well as Baptisms should be made by appointment with the Parish Priest.

The Anointing of the Sick & Hospital Visitations

The Anointing of the Sick should ordinarily be arranged prior to any prolonged hospital visit. Those who require the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at home, should contact the Parish Priest to arrange a visit. In cases of emergency where you or a family member require the pastoral assistance of the Catholic Chaplain, please request this from the nursing staff at the hospital.

Funeral Arrangements

For funeral arrangements please make contact with Fr Andrew.

Names for sick list

Names can only be added by the person themselves or by a member of the family. Please advise the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

Please collect an envelope from the back of the Church. When complete these can be given to the Priest or put through the Presbytery door at Our Lady of Lourdes. Please print the name of the person in block capitals for ease of legibility.

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Sunday 24 March 2024

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (B)

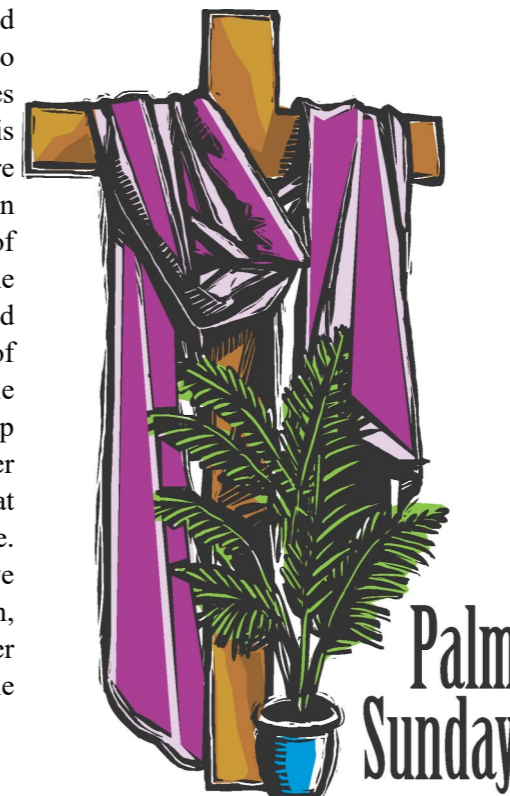
Reflection

On Palm Sunday there were only a few in the crowd who had any idea of what the real picture was. The crowd cheered and sang; the children were enjoying every moment of Jesus's entry on a donkey into Jerusalem. It was a colourful pageant and a welcome diversion from the religious duties of the festival period.

But only a few knew that the man on the donkey was no mere rabbi, politician or rebel leader. He was, in fact, God's Son. He was the Messiah sent by God to bring good news to his people and to reveal the sort of God that they had.

Only a few people could see that the cheering crowd would turn before the week was over and, bored once more, would demand a public spectacle again... this time an execution. In this they were representative of the people at large who rejected the message of Jesus.

Most people would have expected him to argue his case and try to defend himself against the charges of treason in order to save his skin. But a few people were convinced that he would remain absolutely faithful to the will of his Father. That's because he knew that his mission depended on this. While the vast majority of the crowd thought that the whole thing was something of a damp squib and the fun was over after his death, a few understood that his life and death had a purpose. Though he was innocent he gave his life in sacrifice so that sin, death and evil might no longer have a hold over us. Some people knew that, but not many.



The Parish Clergy

Parish Priest:

Fr. Andrew Kingham

Parish Deacon:

Rev. Pat Carrigan

Contact details can be found on the back page.



St Peter in Chain's Church, Inverkeithing



St John & St Columba's Church, Rosyth



Our Lady of Lourdes Church,
Dunfermline

Scripture Readings & Responses

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 21

R. *My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*

1. All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (**R**)
2. Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet I can count every one of my bones. (**R**)
3. They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! (**R**)
4. I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.' (**R**)

SECOND READING

PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

PHILIPPEANS 2:8-9

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory! Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

GOSPEL

MARK 14:1-15:47

The passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to St Mark.

Due to the length of this sacred scripture reading we are unable to print this. Please now listen attentively to the word of God.

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This Week's News & Events

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass takes place at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at 7:00pm on Tuesday 26 March. His Grace Archbishop Cushley will consecrate/bleed the holy oils that will be given to parishes. As well as this Priests from across the Archdiocese will renew their priestly promises to serve God & His people.

Coach to the Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral

We would like to run a bus to the Chrism Mass taking place in St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh on Tuesday 26 March at 7pm, we are waiting on the coach company confirming the booking. The parish office will contact all who have added their name to the list on Monday 25 March with more information ahead of the Chrism Mass. There are a very limited number of seats available, if you would like to come on the bus, please email mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com by 5pm on Sunday 24 March.

Sacrament of Confession

There will be a final opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confession prior to the celebration of Easter. This will take place in Our Lady of Lourdes on Monday 25 March at 6:30pm and in St Peter in Chains on Wednesday 27 March at 6:30pm.

Parish Social Event

The Our Lady of Lourdes St Vincent de Paul Society will hold a bingo tea with a raffle on Wednesday 10 April at 2pm in St Peter in Chains Church Hall. Tickets are £5 and are available from any member of the SVDP at Our Lady of Lourdes, Pat Castle at St John & St Columba or Kathleen Paterson at St Peter in Chains. Donations of raffle prizes will be gratefully received and can be given to those named above.

Pro Life Stations of the Cross

This Monday (25 March) at 7:45pm, praying for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Includes a reflection from Archbishop Leo Cushley. Please register at <https://bit.ly/lentstations>

Holy Week Webinar

Join Monsignor Patrick Burke, from St Mary's Cathedral, to meditate on the Passion of Christ as written in the Gospel of St John. This Zoom event takes place at 6:00pm on Palm Sunday (24 March) on Zoom. The event is a good way to start Holy Week in a spirit of reflection and to discover insights into Christ's Passion. Register at bit.ly/passionevent2024

Lenten Video Reflections

Join Canon Hugh White each week in Lent as he reflects on the 'Challenge of the Gospel', in weekly videos posted each Monday on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel: bit.ly/ArchYouTube

Conversion Practices

The Scottish Government is consulting on a proposal to end 'conversion practices' in Scotland. The Catholic Church unequivocally condemns violent, abusive, coercive practices. The proposals, however, risk criminalising the mainstream pastoral work of churches and parental guidance given lovingly and in good faith. Respond to the consultation using the guidance at <https://bit.ly/guidancescot>. The closing date for responses is Tuesday 2 April.

Mass with African & Caribbean Community

The monthly Mass for the African & Caribbean community takes place at St Cuthbert's, 104 Slateford Road, Edinburgh, EH14 1PT, on Sunday 7 April at 2pm. All welcome to come along.

Pro Life Chain, Edinburgh

SPUC's Pro-Life Chain will be the main event of Edinburgh's Festival of Life on Saturday 27 April at 11:00am taking place on Lothian Road. It will be preceded by the Rosary at 10:00am at Sacred Heart Church on Lauriston Street.

Assisted Suicide Warning

What will be the impact if assisted suicide is legalised in Scotland? Watch the Archdiocesan webinar 'Euthanasia: A Warning from Canada' on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel (30 mins). Sign the petition at www.carenotkilling.scot

Funding to Study Theology

The Archdiocese can confirm that SAAS funding is available from April for all Scottish students taking the MA in Applied Catholic Theology course 2024/25. The course is offered by St Mary's University in partnership with the Archdiocese at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh. To register/enquire visit <https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate/applied-catholic-theology>. A webinar will be hosted by the Archdiocese on Wednesday 29 May (6-7pm) for prospective students. Details to follow shortly.