



## Saint Mary's Parish Lanark & Saint Isidore's Parish Biggar

**Palm Sunday**  
**24th March 2024**



### The Sacred Triduum

What Happened on Maundy Thursday? On Holy or Maundy, Thursday, in an upper room, Jesus and His disciples shared the Last Supper. On this day, Jesus washed the feet of His disciples and broke bread with them for the last time. Still celebrated today as a part of many congregational traditions, the bread broken and the wine shared represented the body and blood of Christ, to be broken and shed for the disciples, and all of us. During the meal, Jesus predicted His betrayal by one of them and Peter's denial.



**Maundy Thursday**



What Happened on Good Friday? Good Friday was the last day of Jesus' life on earth before His resurrection. He was betrayed by Judas, as predicted, and denied by Peter, as predicted. His disciples scattered. He was arrested and was placed on trial falsely. He was condemned, beaten, mocked, and required to carry His own cross to the place where He was crucified and died. "The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head." Though he was offered something to dull the physical pain, Jesus refused. He chose to face the pain of death head on. They stripped Him of His clothes and cast lots for them, fulfilling another prophecy.

Why Is it Called Good Friday? "It's called Good Friday because, by Jesus' death, he became the final, complete sacrifice for our sins. We couldn't have erased our sins. Our hands would have been forever stained with every single sin for a lifetime. But Jesus broke the bonds of death and sin!"

What Happened on Black (or Holy) Saturday? Jesus' body rested in the tomb on Holy Saturday; it was a rich man's tomb, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah 53:9. Preparations were made for Jesus' body and placement in the tomb until 6pm, when preparations for the Sabbath began. There are varying theories as to where Jesus' soul was in between His death on the cross and His resurrection. The Bible doesn't really say too much about where He is at. From His statement to the criminal on the cross, "you will be with me today in paradise," we can only assume that He was in the presence of His Father in heaven on Holy Saturday.



What Happened on Easter Sunday (Resurrection Day)? On Easter Sunday, Jesus rose from the dead, fulfilling the prophecy. Early in the morning, the women who had prepared the spices before the Sabbath returned to Jesus' tomb to find it empty. Mary Magdalene arrived first.

# Weekly Parish Schedule

*Daily Mass & Devotions from St Mary's are broadcast on the parish YouTube Channel.*

**Sunday 24th March** *St Mary's Church will close after 5pm Mass*

- 10.00am** Confessions until 10.25am (St Mary's)
- 10.30am** Holy Mass for Palm Sunday (St Mary's)
- 11.00am** Confessions until 11.30am (St Mary's)
- 12noon** Holy Mass for Palm Sunday (Holy Trinity)
- 4.30pm** Confessions until 4.50pm (St Mary's)
- 5.00pm** Holy Mass for Palm Sunday (St Mary's)
- 5.45pm** Evening Prayer of the Church & Benediction (St Mary's)

**Monday 25th March** *St Mary's Church will be opened Monday - Friday from 8am until 4pm*

- 9.10am** Recitation of the Holy Rosary (St Mary's)
- 9.30am** Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Elizabeth Reilly (St Mary's)
- 11.30am** Confessions until 11.55am (St Mary's)
- 12noon** Angelus & Stations of the Cross (St Mary's)
- 7.00pm** With Mary to Calvary - Music by the Choir of St Mary's (St Mary's)

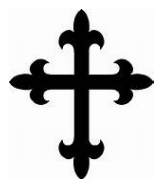
**Tuesday 26th March**

- 10.00am** Holy Mass (St Catherine's)
- 11.15am** Confessions until 11.55am (St Mary's)
- 11.40am** Stations of the Cross (St Mary's)
- 12noon** Angelus & Holy Mass (St Mary's)
- 1.00pm** Cremation Service for Roseanne Briggs (SL Crematorium)

**Wednesday 27th March**

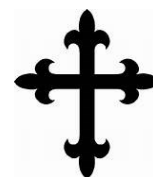
- 9.00am** Confessions until 9.25am (St Mary's)
- 9.10am** Stations of the Cross (St Mary's)
- 9.30am** Holy Mass & Novena to St Michael (St Mary's)
- 10.00am** Lenten Prayer Group (St Catherine's)
- 1.00pm** Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Sister Anne DC (St Mary's)
- 7.00pm** *Online Zoom Rosary (Meeting ID: 832 0468 2198 Passcode: 746256)*

## The Easter Triduum



**Thursday 28th March - Maundy Thursday**

- 7.00pm** Mass of the Lord's Supper (St Mary's)
- 9.30pm** Night Prayer at the Altar of Repose (St Mary's)



**Friday 29th March - Good Friday**

- 12noon** Stations of the Cross (St Mary's)
- 3.00pm** The Solemn Passion of Our Lord (St Mary's)
- 6.00pm** Stations of the Cross (St Mary's)

**Saturday 30th March - Holy Saturday**

- 7.00pm** The Easter Vigil (St Mary's)

**Sunday 31st March - Easter Day**

- 10.30am** Holy Mass for Easter Sunday (St Mary's)
- 11.15am** Easter Coffee Morning & Raffle (St Mary's Clubrooms)
- 12noon** Holy Mass for Easter Sunday (Holy Trinity)

## Easter Raffle & Coffee Morning

The Easter Coffee Morning will take place on Sunday 31st March after 10.30am Mass. The Easter Raffle Draw will also take place at this event. The girls will be selling raffle tickets for this event at Masses from 2nd/3rd March. Donations for raffle prizes will be gratefully received. Thank you for your continued support.

### Parish Finances

#### St Mary's

Offertory Collection: £ 1,275.00

#### St Isidore's

Offertory Collection: £ 109.00



*Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish*

**St Marys Mission RCDM**

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### Holy Places Collection 29th March

As is custom, at the direction of Pope Francis, a Retiral Collection will be taken up on Good Friday at the 3pm Passion.

*Thank you in advance for your generosity*

### New QR Code

Don't carry cash? Why not try our new QR Code at the back of the church for online giving or scan the QR Code from the bulletin. *#projectwellspring*

### Fr Andrew Robinson

As part of a mini-retreat, we will be joined by Fr Andrew Robinson for the Sacred Triduum. Fr Andrew is a lecturer at St Mary's College, Oscott, and supplied in Lanark and Biggar last summer.

Fr Andrew will lead us in prayer throughout the Triduum, and I would encourage you to make the effort to attend the full Triduum and experience the richness of our liturgy and the closeness of Our Lord.

### The Choir of St Mary's Presents

*With Mary to Calvary*

**Monday 25th March 7pm**

**St Mary's Church**

**Free entry and everyone welcome!**

## Project Wellspring Parish Update

We are delighted to share even more exciting news regarding Project Wellspring. Our Chickens: Bev, Mr Sanders, Chuck & Isi, have now arrived and are settling in well. They will be attending the Easter Coffee Morning...why not bring the children along to say hello and give them some treats...



- ♦ As part of the Parish Questionnaire response, people asked about several new groups starting in the parish, a knitting / crochet group, draughts / boardgames group etc., if you would like to set up a new group within the parish, or would like to be part of a new group, please speak to Fr John-Paul. Once we determine the need and the numbers the next steps can be taken.
- ♦ Another group was a Bereavement Group to help support others. If you are interested in being a member of the Bereavement Team please speak to Fr John-Paul; again, if the appropriate volunteers are willing, and a need determined, then a group can be established.
- ♦ Transport for the elderly to come to Mass - it was noted that perhaps some people are unable to get to Mass due to lack of transport. If you know of anyone who is unable to come to Mass, but is unable due to no transport, please provide their details to Fr John-Paul and arrangements will be made.

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## Giftaid and Envelopes

The financial support of parishioners in our parish is phenomenal and second to none. Last year we received an income of £229,579.82, of which our Giftaid claim was £20,013.02. We thank everyone for their continued generosity and financial support towards the parish! For those on the Giftaid Scheme, your new envelopes are in the narthex, please do take them home this weekend, and if you see a neighbours or friends, please deliver them also. Giftaid allows the parish to claim an extra 25% on top of your offering from the Government, at no cost to yourself. It is free money to the parish!! If you are not part of the Scheme, please consider singing up, forms are available in the narthex and are treated with the strictest confidence.



### Holy Trinity Chapel

Lamington  
Biggar  
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### Parish Priest

### Father John-Paul McShane

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## Please Pray For The Following:



### Recently Dead:

Roseann Briggs

Elizabeth Reilly

Seamus Coll

June Hutton

Sister Anne L'Estrange DC

Baby Luca Gunning; Tommy McAvoy.

Milton Grange Nursing Home Carluke

Braxfield Terrace

Kirkfieldbank

Kirkfieldbank

St Catherine's

**Months Minds & Anniversaries:** Eleanora De-Schuster; Clare O'Leary; Elizabeth Scott; Linda Burns (Carluka).

### Funeral Arrangements:

Elizabeth Reilly

Roseann Briggs

Sister Anne

June Hutton

Requiem Mass: Monday 25th March 9.30am, St Mary's

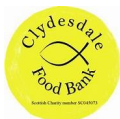
Cremation Service: Tuesday 26th March 1pm, SL Crematorium

Requiem Mass: Wednesday 27th March 1pm, St Mary's

Requiem Mass: Tuesday 2nd April 12noon, St Mary's

**Easter Remembrances** - If you would like Mass offered for your departed loved one, or indeed someone who is alive, over the Easter Octave, please put their names on an envelope and hand into the sacristy, or place in the collection bag with your weekly offering, **before GOOD FRIDAY**. Please ensure all names are printed and clearly marked EASTER REMEMBRANCE if they are deceased and EASTER MASS if alive. Thank you.

## Clydesdale Foodbank Collection



Our Monthly Foodbank Collection will take place **next weekend**. Bags of groceries can be handed in to the sacristy or to a Passkeeper, and any monetary donations can be placed in the collection basket in an enveloped cleared marked 'FOODBANK'.

## St Mary's Ministry Rota

### Readers:

#### 23rd/24th March

5.00pm G. Abernethy

10.30am P. Roberts

5.00pm M. Davis

#### 6th/7th April

5.00pm C. Jackson

10.30am M. McCusker

5.00pm S. Casserly

#### 30th/31st March

Separate Rota

#### 13th/14th April

5.00pm R. Kane

10.30am R. Colpitts

5.00pm N. Donnelly

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

#### 23rd/24th March

5.00pm A. Dempsey

C. Scott

10.30am G. Duddy

T. Mullen

B. Farrell

#### 31st March

10.30am C. Duddy

V. Hilland

D. McFarlane

#### 6th/7th April

5.00pm P. Freal

R. Sinton

10.30am P. Cunningham

A. Cruikshank

S. Callaghan

#### 13th/14th April

5.00pm M. Keenan

P. Stewart

10.30am C. Duddy

V. Hilland

D. McFarlane