



## St Mary's Lanark St Isidore's Biggar



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## Divine Mercy Sunday 24th April 2022



### Jesus - I Trust In You

Divine Mercy Sunday is a relatively new addition to the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Octave of Easter (the eighth day of Easter; that is, the Sunday after Easter Sunday). Celebrating the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ, as revealed by Christ Himself to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, this feast was extended to the entire Catholic Church by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, the day that he canonized Saint Faustina. Christ's Divine Mercy is the love that He has for mankind, despite our sins that separate us from Him.

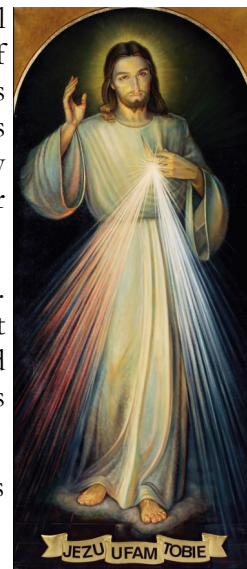
The Octave, or eighth day, of Easter has always been considered special by Christians. Christ, after His Resurrection, revealed Himself to His disciples, but Saint Thomas wasn't with them. He declared that he would never believe that Christ had risen from the dead until he could see Him in the flesh and probe Christ's wounds with his own hands. This earned him the name "Doubting Thomas."

A week after Christ rose from the dead, He appeared once again to His disciples, and this time Thomas was there. His doubt was vanquished, and he professed His belief in Christ.

Nineteen centuries later, Christ appeared to a Polish nun, Sr. Maria Faustina Kowalska, in a series of visions that took place over almost eight years. Among those visions, Christ revealed the Divine Mercy Novena, which He asked Sister Faustina to pray for nine days, beginning on Good Friday. That meant that the novena ended on the Saturday after Easter — the eve of the Octave of Easter. Thus, since novenas are commonly prayed in advance of a feast, the Feast of Divine Mercy — Divine Mercy Sunday — was born.

A plenary indulgence (the forgiveness of all temporal punishment resulting from sins that have already been confessed) is granted on the Feast of Divine Mercy if to all the faithful who go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, and "in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. 'Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!')."

A partial indulgence (the remission of some temporal punishment from sin) is granted to the faithful "who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation."



*For the sake of His sorrowful Passion  
Have mercy of us and on the whole world*

## Masses Cancelled Next Week

After a long and busy Lent, Fr John-Paul is taking a few days rest. Unfortunately there is no priests available to supply and therefore it is with great regret we have to inform you that there will be no weekday Masses celebrated in St Mary's, Lanark, in the coming week (from Monday 25th April until Saturday 30th April). **After Sunday Evening Mass (24th April 5pm), the next public Mass will be Saturday 30th April 5pm.**

### Parish Finances

#### St Mary's

Offertory Collection:	£	1,450.00
Standing Orders:	£	322.00
Easter Collection	£	1,000.00

#### St Isidore's

Offertory Collection:	£	108.00
Standing Orders:	£	142.00
Easter Collection	£	20.00

*Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish.*

**St Marys Mission RCDM 80-17-02 00265809**

**Parish of St Isidore's 83-16-11 00235026**

### Easter Collection

Many thanks to those who have so kindly donated toward the Easter Collection. The Easter, and Christmas Collections, traditionally were seen as your gift to the parish. In these times of financial uncertainty, it has been humbling to receive such amounts. God reward your generosity!

Easter Collection Offerings can be placed into the offertory basket with your weekly offering using the Easter Collection Envelope, or marking an envelope 'Easter Collection'.

We really do appreciate your continued generosity, but please only give to the Easter Collection if you are in a financial position to do so.

### Easter Raffle

The Social Committee would like to thank everyone for all the donations received for the Easter Raffle, and for all who supported it by buying tickets or attending the Coffee Moring. The event raise £1500, thank you very much for your continued support!

Well done Social Committee for all your efforts and your great commitment to raising funds for our parish.

### Quiz Night

St Mary's Social Committee are hosting a **Quiz night on Friday 20th May 2022. Clubrooms will open at 7pm with Quiz starting at 7.30pm.** Please come along and join the fun! We welcome entries from families/friends and also hope that some groups will consider entering a team – Readers, Choir, Gardeners, Cleaning Group, Florists, Pass-Keepers, Bar staff, Men's club, Monday club, etc . If you plan to enter, please have a chat with any member of the social committee. Entry price is £2.00 per person – Maximum number in team is 6 people. Bar will be open for refreshments.

### Clubrooms Volunteers

As the Clubrooms begins to return to a busy schedule of bookings, it has become clear that we need more volunteers to help, especially behind the bar.

The hope would be to have enough volunteers trained up so that the work load is split evenly and no one experiences a heavy burden of volunteering.

Angela, along with the Social Committee and current volunteers do a great job but we are now asking for more people to consider volunteering. No previous experience is required, and full training will be given.

Volunteering in the Clubrooms is very rewarding and can be a great night out, without the sore head the next day... It is also a great way to support the parish because the parish benefits financially from functions, and if we have no volunteers, then we have no functions.

If you would like to volunteer, or find out more, please contact Angela at [theclubrooms@outlook.com](mailto:theclubrooms@outlook.com) or speak to a member of the Social Committee.

### Clydesdale Foodbank

Next weekend will be our Monthly Foodbank Collection to help support Clydesdale Foodbank. Bags of shopping can be handed to any pass-keeper, or left in the sacristy. Monetary donations can be placed in the basket with your weekly offering. Thank you for your continued generosity in supporting the Foodbank.



## Please Pray For The Following:



**Recently Dead:** Robert Monteith; Fanny Bernard Kennedy; Paul Donnachie.

**Months Minds & Anniversaries:** Roddy O'Connor; Thomas Milne; Michael Coyle; Martin Carway; Peggy Reilly.

**Donnachie Family:** Jimmy, Margaret and family would like to thank all parishioners for the cards, flowers and expressions of sympathy received after the death of Paul. The family also thank the Choir and all who assisted at the Requiem Mass. Holy Mass will be offered for your intentions.

**Monteith Family:** The family of the late Robert Monteith would like to express their gratitude, to parishioners and friends of Robert, for the condolences offered and prayerful support given, along with all support and friendship offered to Robert in this life.

**Easter Remembrance:** Bishop Frank Thomson; Bishop Joseph Devine; Father Joseph Brannigan; Father Paddy Hughes; All Deceased Members of The Vincentian Fathers; All Deceased Members of The Daughter's of Charity; Monteith Family; Thomas Bowic; Jim McShane; John & Mary McShane; Rosemary McShane MacIntyre; Frank McMahan; Annie & Arthur Lenagh; Hughie & Mary McShane; McShane Family; McGuire Family; Lenagh Family; McMahan Family; Kate & William Campbell; Bernie & Jim McEwan; Campbell Family; McCafferty Family; McEwan Family; James E. Reid; Gerry Wylie; Wylie Family; Deerin Family; Valentie Family; Joseph & Betty McLeish; Hugh McLeish; Peter Brannen; Brannen Family; Edgar Family; Peter Skelly; Grace McGregor; Owen, Margaret & John Dempsey; Donald Liddell; Liddell Family; McKeon Family; Mary & Jim McLaughlan; Anne Boyle; Mary Murray; Michael McLaughlan; Lynas Family; Bancewicz Family; Lisa Katherine McAlavey; John McAlavey; Blanche McAlavey; Gerard Mays Sr; Gerard Mays Jnr; Susan Mays; John O'Neill; Matt & Peggy Reilly; Betty Thomson; Ann & Alasdair MacDonald; William Reilly; Marjory Reilly; Bill & Annie Gebbie; John & Marion Renton; Mathew Crawford; James, Clare & Evelyn O'Leary; Jimmy & Sadie Littlejohn; Frances & Monica Cassidy; May Kelly; Matt Reilly Jnr; Joseph & Mary O'Connor; Joseph O'Connor Jnr; Hugh O'Connor; Jack O'Connor; James & Etta Wilkie; Lisa Marie Geddes; Robert Geddes Snr; Karen Reilly; John Reilly Jnr; Thomas & Christina McNulty; Betty Hutchison; Mary Clark; Sandy McLean; Mary McLean; Catherine McLean; Jessie Clark; Susan Mackie; Frank Mackie; Leah & Albert Welsh; Morton Family; Paul Halloran; Robert, Helen, Dennis, James & Margaret Halloran & Families; May Quinn; Maureen Mathers; Margaret & John Dykes; Bobby Dykes; James Patrick Callaghan; Cecilia Joan Cloonan; Thomas Maurice Cloonan; Amelia & Samuel Rotherham; Agnes & Alice Bamford; Callaghan Family (Sligo Town); Cloonan Family (Liverpool); Mary Jane & Jim Brennan; Agnes Jack; James Jnr & Evelyn Brennan; Agnes & John Kennedy; Bobby Elder; Joseph McGuire; Robbie Nicholson; Jenny & Willie Jack; Catherine O'Leary; Kathleen O'Leary; Bernard O'Leary; Ted O'Leary; Mary Mochrie; Robert Mochrie; Johnston Sage; Tadzik & Elizabeth Fox; Jo, Tommy, Grace & Brian Harvey; George Harvey; Dan & Marion O'Donnell; Martin Hilland; Frank Hilland; Bill & Kathleen Grieve; Joseph & Frances Jackson; Phil & Anne Kinsella; Christopher Campbell; Major Cameron Quinn; Quinn Family; James McCardie; Mary & Bill Dowds; Dowds Family; Farrell Family; Noone Family; Mr & Mrs F Brady; John Donnelly; William & Florence Kennedy & Family; Rodger McConnell; Bernard & Rose Scott; All & Beverley Milliken; John, Annie & Liam McConnell; William & Martin McPhail; Harry & Jean McPhail; James & Mary McCrossan; James & Theresa Casagranda; Bert & Betty Sinton; Ron Meldrum; Catherine & Daniel Stewart; Jean & Jimmy Meldrum; Eileen Prior; Janette Irvine; May Quinn; McConville Family; Deceased Member of the Choir of St Mary's; Josephine & Harry Freely; Arthur Christie; Sarah & John Quinn; Jessica & John Christie; John Christie Jnr; Rena & Jimmy Travers; Jimmy & Sarah McEwan; Anne Paisley; Anne Skeldon; Bridget Bond; Leslie Bond; Keenan Family; O'Connell Family; Scott Family; Todd Family; Stewart Family; Jack Hamilton; Elle-May McNally; Ray Ward; Henry (Guy) McKenzie; Diane Jamieson.



## St Mary's Ministry Rota

### Readers:

<u>30th April/1st May</u>		<u>7th/8th May</u>	
<b>5.00pm</b>	R. McConnell	<b>5.00pm</b>	G. Abernethy
<b>10.30am</b>	K. Carty	<b>10.30am</b>	R. Colpitts
<b>5.00pm</b>	M. Davis	<b>5.00pm</b>	S. Casserly

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

<u>30th April/1st May</u>		<u>7th/8th May</u>	
<b>5.00pm</b>	M. Keenan	<b>5.00pm</b>	T. Mullen
	P. Stewart		C. McClafferty
<b>10.30am</b>	J. Wilson	<b>10.30am</b>	P. Cunningham
	C. Duddy		A. Cruickshank

## Weekly Mass Schedule

Sunday 24th April **St Mary's opened from 9.45am until 6pm**

10.30am Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (St Mary's)  
1.00pm Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (Biggar Kirk)  
5.00pm Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (St Mary's)

Monday 25th April

No Mass Today

Tuesday 26th April

No Mass Today

Wednesday 27th April

No Mass Today

10.15am Faith Sharing Group (Cargill Club)

7.00pm **Weekly Rosary Group (Zoom: ID 828 0546 0960 Passcode 638016)**

Thursday 28th April

No Mass Today

Friday 29th April

No Mass Today

Saturday 30th April

No Moring Mass

5.00pm Holy Mass for the 3rd Sunday of Easter (St Mary's)

Sunday 1st May **St Mary's opened from 9.45am until 6pm**

10.30am Holy Mass for the 3rd Sunday of Easter (St Mary's)

11.15am **Coffee Moring (St Mary's Clubrooms)**

1.00pm Holy Mass for the 3rd Sunday of Easter (Biggar Kirk)

5.00pm Holy Mass for the 3rd Sunday of Easter (St Mary's)

*10.30am Sunday Mass from St Mary's is Livestreamed on the parish Facebook Page and broadcast on the parish YouTube Channel.*

*The 1pm Sunday Mass from Biggar Kirk is also Livestreamed on St Isidore's parish YouTube Channel.*

We are delighted to announce the establishment of Saint Isidore's new Facebook Page. The Page will be used as a way of reaching out through social media and will give parishioners, and non-parishioners, a platform to interact with the parish. We encourage as many people as possible to 'Like' or 'Follow' the Page: [www.facebook.com/StIsidoreBiggar](http://www.facebook.com/StIsidoreBiggar)

## From Fr John-Paul

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back to our beautiful churches those who are here for the first time post-lockdown. It has been so wonderful and very encouraging to see so many people attend Mass and Services during Holy Week, and now on Easter Sunday. I would like also to thank those who helped prepare, clean and decorate our churches for Easter, making them as beautiful as ever. Our florists and church volunteers have done a wonderful job! It has also been encouraging to see so many people engaging with our parish Facebook pages and to see so many people watch Mass and Services online. We very much look forward to welcoming all these people back to our church when they feel confident enough to join us again in person. I would also like to thank those who handed in Easter Eggs, Easter Cards and gifts, it was so humbling to receive such generosity. I feel very lucky and blessed to be here with you all. As we travel through the holy season of Easter please be assured of my prayers for you and your family. God bless you all!

*Thank  
you*