



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

**Easter Sunday
31st March 2024**



Bishop Toal Easter Message

I wish everyone a very Happy Easter and pray for the blessing of the Risen Lord upon us all and our world. We pray especially that the peace offered by Christ as he appeared to his disciples at Easter may reign everywhere, especially among the peoples of his own land. May new hope spring up, even among the debris of war and the awful reality of human suffering and death.

The Wellspring Project, which I recently initiated in our Diocese, seeks to encourage a new vision and a desire for growth and participation in the life and mission of the Church here in Motherwell. The Scriptures frequently use the image of water and the new growth it brings. The Easter Liturgies highlight water also, and invite us to renew our baptismal promises, revived in the new life in the Spirit poured out upon us in the Sacraments. The Wellspring Project invites our parishes in particular to respond with fervour to our baptismal calling, and to continue to celebrate our faith and to form communities of faith, hope, and love in the great mission entrusted to us by the Lord Jesus. The joy and enthusiasm of Easter does offer an opportunity to welcome and promote participation in our Parish and Diocesan Life. Easter is the time for new beginnings and fresh hope, trusting in the Lord's abiding presence and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

This Easter I ask for your support, and especially your prayers, for the Wellspring Project, as we all strive to serve the Lord with thanksgiving in our hearts and fresh vigour in our actions.

With renewed Easter greetings,

Yours in Christ,

Joseph Toal



Rt Rev. Bishop Joseph A. Toal
Bishop of Motherwell



Weekly Parish Schedule

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

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)

Monday 1st April *St Mary's Church will be opened Monday - Friday from 8am until 5pm*

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary (St Mary's)

9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)

Tuesday 2nd April

10.00am Holy Mass (St Catherine's)

11.40am Recitation of the Holy Rosary (St Mary's)

12noon Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of June Hutton (St Mary's)

Wednesday 3rd April

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary (St Mary's)

9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)

7.00pm Online Zoom Rosary (Meeting ID: 832 0468 2198 Passcode: 746256)

Thursday 4th April

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary (St Mary's)

9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)

Friday 5th April

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary (St Mary's)

9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)

Saturday 6th April

9.10am Recitation of the Holy Rosary

9.30am Holy Mass (St Mary's)

5.00pm Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (St Mary's)

Sunday 7th April

10.30am Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (St Mary's)

12noon Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (Holy Trinity)

12.35pm Tea/Coffee/Home Baking (Holy Trinity)

5.00pm Holy Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday (St Mary's)

Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.

St Mary's Ministry Rota

Readers:

30th/31st March

Separate Rota

13th/14th April

5.00pm R. Kane

10.30am R. Colpitts

5.00pm N. Donnelly

6th/7th April

5.00pm C. Jackson

10.30am M. McCusker

5.00pm S. Casserly

20th/21st April

5.00pm A. Haetzman

10.30am P. Robertson

5.00pm M. Davis

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

31st March

10.30am C. Duddy

V. Hilland

D. McFarlane

13th/14th April

5.00pm M. Keenan

P. Stewart

10.30am C. Duddy

V. Hilland

D. McFarlane

6th/7th April

5.00pm P. Freel

R. Sinton

10.30am P. Cunningham

A. Cruikshank

S. Callaghan

20th/21st April

5.00pm J. McEwan

C. McClafferty

10.30am M. Davis

C. O'Brien

J. McAlavey

Congratulations

A huge congratulations to Steven, Lianne and Ellis who have completed the RCIA process and have been received into full communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil. We wish them every blessing and encouragement in their journey of faith, and we very much look forward to seeing them active in our parish. Please continue to pray for them, and for others who are considering joining the Church. *Ad multos annos*

Parish Finances

St Mary's

Offertory Collection: £ 1,190.00

St Isidore's

Offertory Collection: £ 88.00

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish

St Marys Mission RCDM
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Parish Disco

The Social Committee would like to thank all those who came along to the Parish Disco, last Saturday evening. DJ Ian was fantastic as always, and played some blinding tunes. An amazing £388 was raised for funds. A special thank you to our two bar volunteers.

A huge thank you to the girls on the social committee for their tireless work and commitment to our parish!

Calvary Shrine

A massive thank you to Jimmy Ashe for volunteering his time and talents and fixing the broken slabs caused by the Crucifix falling during Storm Isha. Thanks also to RJ Doak and Sons who donated the slabs required - the Shrine now looks as good as new.

Well Done Everyone!!



St Mary's Chickens

Our chickens have now been with us just over a week, and still no eggs...
but good things come to those who wait...

The parish would like to note on record our thanks to the Staff and Residents at HMP Shotts who made, at no cost, such a wonderful coop for Isi, Bev, Sanders & Chuck. They have settled so well, and are snug in their new home.

The girls will be attending the Coffee Morning for anyone who would like to say hello.

Fr John-Paul Easter Message

Dear Brothers and Sister,

Our Lenten Journey has ended, and we now celebrate the great joy of the Resurrection. This year Lent was very fruitful and all our Masses and additional devotions were well attended, particularly Station of the Cross on Mondays at 12noon. Thank you to all those who made the special effort to come along and enter a more intense time of prayer and renewal.

Thank you to all those who have decorated our church for Easter, to our Florists, Sacristans, Passkeepers, Cleaners, and all volunteers who do a marvellous job making our church look so majestic. We also thank our Choir and Organists for accompanying our liturgies, along with our fabulous Atar Servers.

May the peace of the Risen Christ enter your hearts and homes and bless each and everyone of you.

Happy Easter
Fr John-Paul

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 neighbour or friend, 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
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Please Pray For The Following:



Recently Dead: Seamus Coll Kirkfieldbank
June Hutton Kirkfieldbank
Sister Angela DC St Catherine's

Sister Anne DC; Baby Luca Gunning; Margo King; Margaret McClusky; James Simmons (Craigneuk); Rosina Barker (Newarthill); John Fisher (Shotts); Winnie Sweeney (Donegal).

Months Minds & Anniversaries: Father Joseph Brannigan; Monteith Family; Thomas Bowie; Jim McShane; Harry Freely; Francis Kelly; Christopher Norbury; Mary & Jim McLaughlan; Anne Boyle.

Funeral Arrangements: June Hutton Requiem Mass: Tuesday 2nd April 12noon, St Mary's

Easter Remembrances: 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; Canon Willie Dunnachie; Father Damien Gilhooley; Canon Giles Goward; Father David Mellor; 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 Wyllie; Wyllie Family; Deerin Family; Valentie Family; Joseph & Betty McLeish; Hugh McLeish; Peter Brannen; Brannen Family; Edgar Family; Peter Skelly; Grace McGregor; James, Clare & Evelyn O'Leary; Jimmy & Sadie Littlejohn; Frances & Monica Cassidy; May Kelly; Arthur Kane; Irene & To Wallace; Madeline & Ken Highton; Sr Margaret Duncan; Mr & Mrs McCulloch (Lanark); McCulloch Family; Mr & Mrs McDade (Newkirk); McDade Family; Owen, Margaret & John Dempsey; Estelle Higgins; John Cunningham; James McCardie; Arthur Christie; Jessica & John Christie; John Christie Jr; Sarah & Joseph Quinn; Rena & Jimmy Travers; John Kerr; Dan & Marion O'Donnell; Mary & Charlie Binnie; Davie & Bette Haggerty; Paul Donnachie; Donnachie Family; Sand & Alex McLellan; Paul Halloran; Helen & Robert Dennis; May & Veronica Quinn; Fr Joseph Brannigan; Fr Hughes; Maureen Mathers; Jimmy & Sarah McEwan; Anne Paisley; Anne Skeldon; John Donnelly; Martha & Tam Smith; William & Martin McPhail; Harry & Jean McPhail; James & Mary McCrossan; Jim & Theresa Casagranda, Dan McPhail; Sandy McLean; Mary Mclean; Catherine McLean; Jessie Clark; Susan Mackie; Frank Mackie; Leah & Albert Welsh; Morton Family; Matt & Peggy Reilly; Betty Thomson; Ann & Alasdair MacDonald; Bill & Annie Gebbie; Lisa Katherine McAlavey; John McAlavey; Blanche McAlavey; Gerard Mays Snr; Gerard Mays Jr; Susan Mays; John O'Neill; John & Marion Renton; Mary, Jim & Michael McLaughlan; Mary, Bill & Stephen Murray; Anne & John Boyle; Margaret, John & Bobby Dykes; Charlie Lively; Lively Family; Lavery Family; Maher Family; Markie Higgins; Joe McAllister; Peter & Susan Mulligan; Bridget Donnelly; Kate Hanlon; Edward Hanlon; Anne Lindsay; Archie Lindsay; Michael Sheely; Mary Sheely; Kate Nevin; Kathleen & Bill Grieve; Frank Hilland; Martin Hilland; Joe & Frances Jackson; Phil & Anne Kinsella; Estelle Higgins; Josephine & Harry Freely; Helen & Donald Young; Skye Martin; Chrissy & Hugh Martin; Jacky Stewart; Ron Meldrum; Catherine & Daniel Stewart; Eileen Prior; Janette Irvine; Jean & Jimmy Meldrum; May Quinn; Meg McConville; McConville Family; Pat Tansey; Deceased Members of The Choir of St Mary's; Hugh & Jean McNamara; Tony & Alison Filmer; Helen & Alex Barrack; Oliver Jones; Nick Fish; Noone Family; Dowds Family; Farrell Family; Peggy & Denis Docherty; Annie & Archie McMillan; William O'Brien Snr; Christopher Campbell; Quinn Family; Mary Jane Brennan; Agnes Jack; Anne Elder; James & Evelyn Brennan; Josephine McGuire; Josephine & Willie Whitefield; Lisa Mary Geddes; Vera Livingstone; Thomas, Cecilia & Mark Cloonan; James (Jim) Callaghan; Anna Marshall; Agnes & Alice Bamford; Jack Knox (Redditch); Rotherham Family (Liverpool); Callaghan Family (Sligo); Cloonan Family (Liverpool); Clara Rotherham; Vincent Schmidt (USA); John Cloonan; Emilio & Cesarina Coia.

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