

Parish Ministers' Rota
1st April 2018 (Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year B)

| Mass | Eucharistic Ministers | Readers |
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| 8 pm Vigil St Aidan's | See sheet at back of Church | See sheet at back of Church |
| 9.30am St Mary's | C.Nicol (A), G.Brawley (B) | C.Cairns |
| 11 am St Aidan's | See sheet at back of Church | See sheet at back of Church |
| 4.30 pm St Mary's | | |

TODAY'S GOSPEL

There are two Gospels proclaimed at today's Mass. The first Gospel, proclaimed before the procession with palms, tells of Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. Riding on a borrowed colt, Jesus was hailed by the crowds as they blessed God and shouted "Hosanna!"

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' passion and death are presented as the consequence of the tension between the Jewish authorities and Jesus that had been building throughout his public ministry. This tension reached its breaking point when Jesus drove the merchants and moneychangers from the Temple. After this event, the chief priests and scribes began seeking a way to put Jesus to death, and yet, this is only the surface explanation for his death.

When Jesus was arrested and brought before the Sanhedrin, he was charged with blasphemy, citing his threat to the Temple. When he was brought before Pilate, however, the religious authorities presented his crime as a political one, charging that Jesus claimed to be king of the Jews. In continuity with a theme of Mark's Gospel, the messianic claim of Jesus is widely misunderstood. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are rarely models of faith and do little to invoke confidence in their capacity to continue his ministry after his death. They fare no better in Mark's narrative of Jesus' passion and death. At the Last Supper, the disciples insisted that none among them would betray Jesus. When Jesus predicted that their faith would be shaken in the events ahead, Peter and the other disciples protested vehemently. Yet in the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus returned three times to find them sleeping. Jesus prayed in agony over his impending fate while his disciples slumbered through the night. Just as Jesus predicted, Peter denied Jesus, and the disciples were absent during Jesus' passion and death. Only the women who had been followers of Jesus in Galilee are said to have been present at the Crucifixion, but they remained at a distance. Mark challenges the reader to consider the claim with which the Gospel begins: Jesus is the Son of God. When we read Mark's account of the passion, we begin to comprehend the deeper theological statement being made about Jesus' death. In Mark's telling of the passion, Jesus understood his death to have been preordained, and he accepted this death in obedience to God's will. Jewish Scripture is quoted only once, but there are several references to the fulfilment of the Scriptures. Jesus understood his anointing in Bethany as an anticipation of his burial, and he announced that this story would be told together with the Gospel throughout the world.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7
Response to the Psalm: **My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**
Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel Acclamation: **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

St Mary's and St Aidan's

Year B

Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord

25th March 2018



"Hosanna!"

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'St Mary's Cleland and St Aidan's Wishaw'

Scottish Registered Charity Number 11041

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Gerard O'Neill, Jim Nolan, David Beck, Mary Theresa McCormick, Cathie Bryce, Cathie McConnachie, Cecilia Moore, Lynne Watters, Mary Kelly, Ellen Dunn, John Lochrie, Anne Roarty, Bernard Gallacher, John Friary, Catherine Grant, George McKinney, Bridget McNally, Mary Lambert, Peter McGhee, Elaine Farrell Cleary, Rose O'Donnell, Margaret Whelan, Mary T. Stones (McKinney) and Henry Hughes who are sick.

Lena McNally, Frank O'Connell and John Brennan who have died.

The Month's Mind and Anniversaries of: Charles Miller, Patrick Miller, Edward Pearson, Annie Henderson, Henry Henderson, Robert Henderson, Edward Henderson, James & Bridget McMonagle, James O'Kane, John Flaherty and Mary McCrossan.

MANY, MANY THANKS

St Aidan's Men's Club would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to the HCPT fund raiser last week for Canon's group. A cheque for **£3310** was presented - **a terrific effort!**

Special thanks once again to:

- Prater Contracts, Main Street Cleland
- Igloo Estate Agents, Hamilton
- Sherlock Caterers
- I4travel, King Street Wishaw
- Jimmy Delaney C.S.C.
- St Aidan's Men's Club Members
- Carn Software, Coatbridge
- Torridon C.S.C.
- Jim McMahan
- Neil McCrorie
- The parishioners who sponsored the races and donated money and prizes

Thanks also to those who turned up on the night.

HCPT Group 139 asked us to pass on their heartfelt thanks.

SVDP HELPLINE

If you require the services of the SVDP you can contact a member by phoning **07561843580**

HOLY WEEK

Weather permitting, Holy Mass on Palm Sunday will begin at the door of the Church with the reading of the First Gospel. If you find this burdensome to stand outside, please stay inside the Church. Similarly for those who are older in years or infirm, you may sit during the reading of the Passion on Palm Sunday and Good Friday.

Confession is available between 7-8pm on Monday and Tuesday evening of Holy Week. On Monday Fr. Hugh Kelly will visit St. Mary's. Fr. Paul Denney will visit St. Aidan's on Tuesday evening. Parish clergy will also be there to hear Confessions. Each Advent and Lent we make an effort to invite visiting clergy, so that parishioners have a choice of confessor. Please make an effort to attend as the celebration of this Sacrament is so important in our life of faith, especially at Easter. Cards with an examination of conscience will be distributed this weekend to help us to make a good Confession.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament also takes place in the church throughout this hour, so you are also invited to spend some time in quiet prayer and recollection.

The Bishop is keen to encourage parishioners to attend the Chrism Mass on Thursday morning in the Cathedral. During this Mass, the Holy Oils, of Chrism, Oil for Baptism and the Oil for the Sick is blessed and consecrated by the Bishop. Also the priests renew the vows they made at Ordination.

As you know the Sacred Triduum; the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the celebration of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday, and The Easter Vigil on Saturday night, comprise one celebration in three parts. You are encouraged to attend all three.

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. The fast applies to Catholics from the age of 14-59. One full meal and two lighter collations. Everyone is required to practice abstinence which includes refraining from eating meat (including chicken etc).

WISHAW GENERAL CHAPLAINCY

Contact Fr Ricklan Mallya, RC Chaplain, either by phoning the hospital (361100) or St Bernadette's (263945).

PARISH OF ST MARY'S AND ST AIDAN'S MASS SCHEDULE

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| Sunday | | Weekday | |
| St Aidan's: | 5pm Vigil Mass | Monday: | St Mary's 10am |
| St Mary's: | 9.30am Mass | Tuesday: | St Aidan's 10am |
| St Aidan's: | 11am Mass | Wednesday: | St Mary's 10am |
| St Mary's: | 4.30pm Mass | Thursday: | St Aidan's 10am St Mary's 7pm (<i>Latin Mass</i>) |
| | | Friday: | St Mary's 10am |
| | | Saturday: | St Aidan's 10am |
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| First Friday of the Month (during term time) | | | |
| Confessions: | After weekday Masses in relevant church. | | |
| Saturday: | 4.30pm – 4.50pm and after Vigil Mass in St Aidan's. | | |
| Thursday Evening: | 6.30pm – 7pm in St Mary's before Latin Mass | | |
| | | Baptisms | |
| St Aidan's Church | 2 nd and 4 th Sunday of the month at 12 noon | | |
| St Mary's Church | 1 st and 3 rd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm | | |
| To arrange please contact: | Fr O'Connor | Tel: (01698) 860254. | |

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER TRIDUUM

EARLY MASS:
St. Aidan's: Mon, Wed 8:20am
St. Mary's: Tues 8:30am
STATIONS OF THE CROSS:
St. Aidan's: Tuesday 6:30pm
SPY WEDNESDAY
7.30pm. Ecumenical Service in St Mark's Church of Scotland Coltness.
MAUNDAY THURSDAY
11.30am Chrism Mass in Cathedral.
7pm. Mass of the Lord's Supper St Mary's
10pm. Night Prayer of the Church. St Mary's

GOOD FRIDAY
3pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord. St Aidan's
7pm. Stations of the Cross and Veneration of the Cross. St Mary's.

HOLY SATURDAY
8pm. Easter Vigil in the Holy Night. St Aidan's
EASTER SUNDAY
9.30am Holy Mass St Mary's
11am Holy Mass St Aidan's
4.30pm Holy Mass St Mary's

Information cards containing all the services are available from the back of both churches.

ST AIDAN'S READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Please check sheet requesting additional readers and Eucharistic ministers for Easter Triduum at back of Church and add your name.

CAFÉ LINDISFARNE
There will be no Café until 8th April.

Good Friday and Easter Vigil Services
ALTAR SERVERS
All altar servers from St Mary's and St Aidan's who are able to take part in either or both of these services should attend a practice in **St Aidan's Church at 4.30pm on Tuesday 27th March.**
The practice will last approximately 1 hour.

RENOVATION OF ST AIDAN'S HALL
Groups will be able to recommence from **TUESDAY 3rd APRIL.**

Thank you for your patience during this time.
Volunteers are required week commencing Monday 26th March, to clean the hall on completion of the flooring work in the Hall. Please come to the hall from 10.30am on Monday and/or Tuesday.

Your help would be greatly appreciated. Many hands make light work.

HCPT GROUP 522
CABARET FUND RAISER
Dancing to Family Ties
Friday 13th April 8pm-12 midnight
Hibs Club Carfin
Tickets £5
Contact Helen Law 01698861483