

HOLY CROSS PARISH

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1st Sunday of Lent C.

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Mass Times. 9.30am Daily.
Weekend: Vigil 6.00pm; 9.30am; 11.30am.
Confessions after Saturday 10am & Vigil Mass also on request.

Congratulations to Mgr Bradley on his appointment by Archbishop Nolan, to the Office of Vicar General of the Archdiocese.

During the Sundays of Lent. Collections will be taken for the Sick and Retired Clergy. Except the 4th Sunday of Lent when the collection will be for SCIAF.

Please collect a 'Wee Box' to take home with you. This year's appeal is the Climate Emergency. To help fight the Climate Emergency and build God's Kingdom here on Earth.

Quarterly Collection is now due. Please put envelopes in box. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

1st Sunday of Lent, 6 March 2022 - Restoration of the Obligation to Attend Sunday Mass

The Bishops Conference of Scotland has announced that obligation to attend Sunday Mass will be restored. **Today 6 March 2022 the 1st Sunday of Lent.** To align with the resumption of the obligation Holy Cross will start moving the celebration of Mass back to a more regular basis.

To achieve this the following procedures or changes should be noted:-

- There will be no requirement for attendees to provide details for Test and Protect and the centre doors will be used to gain access to the body of the church.
- Holy Water is available in the fonts in the main body of the church. Holy water for home use is available in the barrel at the rear of the church. Please use jug provided. Do not put bottle into barrel.
- Both readings will be used when this is required.
- The Creed and Bidding Prayers will be used on Sunday and other relevant Masses.
- Offertory processions will also be reintroduced.
- The Sign of Peace will be reintroduced. However, people should not shake hands but nod towards each other.
- The Eucharist will continue to be dispensed, on the hand, at the front of the church unless the Mass is busy; then it will also be dispensed at the Middle of the church.
- Anyone wishing to receive the Eucharist on the tongue should arrange with the priest to receive it in the Sacristy after Mass.
- At present all offertory and special collections will be taken at the main doors at the end of Mass.
- Apart from one area of the church all social distancing measures will be removed. That area at the rear of the church, on the Gospel side, should only be used by those who still have or feel the need to socially distance themselves from others.
- Hymn books are to be reintroduced. Hymnbooks, along with order of Mass leaflets, will be stored at the ends of each pew. Parishioners are asked to replace them there at the end of the Mass or service and not take them to the back of the church.

The wearing of masks, unless medically exempt, and hand sanitising will still be compulsory.

Stations of the Cross

We will have *Stations of the Cross immediately after the 9.30am Mass on Mondays and Wednesdays* throughout our Lenten journey.

Stations of the Cross offer us a powerful way to contemplate, and enter the mystery of Jesus' gift of himself to us. Please consider joining with us if you can.



Please remember in your Prayers, our children who celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation next Saturday. At 10.30am.

READERS and EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

As our Parish moves forward to a 'new normal', and we hopefully welcome back many more of our parishioners, I have drawn up a temporary Rota for both Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist for during Lent in order to get us up and running. Copies will be given to all involved with a Notice also in the Porch.

Many more of you have been involved in different Ministries prior to the Pandemic and the Parish needs your help and support. If you feel comfortable to join us again from Easter onwards please contact Moira 07849412130

OLDER PEOPLES CLUB Restarts on Monday

Music at Mass: We are looking for help to provide Music at each of our three Sunday Masses. If you can play a musical instrument or sing, please contact Mgr Bradley.

The Cardinal Winning Pro-Life Initiative, which is based in Holy Cross Hall, is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. To mark the occasion, we are having a Mass of thanksgiving in St Andrew's Cathedral on Wednesday, 9th March at 7.30pm. The parishioners of Holy Cross have been such a pivotal part of our Initiative and we extend a warm invitation to all who are able to come. An RSVP would be appreciated. sroseann@me.com / 07377 565291.

*Please Pray for
THOSE WHO ARE ILL IN THE PARISH.
Also, Family & Friends of those suffering.*

Those who have died recently

Agnes Callaghan, Sylvia McGlone,
Elizabeth Animah, Michael Doherty.

Months Mind

Sarah Teresa O'Doherty

Anniversaries

Maureen Long, Karen Thomson,
Una McGinley, Mary Coll, Alison Wilson.

Diocesan Priesthood: Thinking about Diocesan Priesthood in 2022? The Catholic Church in Scotland is now inviting enquiries from those considering applying to seminary.

First Sunday of Lent – 6th March 2022

“Man does not live on bread alone.” Do you feel called to bring people something more than the ordinary, something truly life-sustaining? Consider the priesthood, diaconate or religious life. Call your Diocesan Vocations Director, contact [Priests for Scotland](#), or visit our [Facebook](#) pages ([PFS](#) or [VocationNetworkScotland](#)).

**The Sisterhood of St. Elisabeth helps children in an orphanage and a Psychiatric hospital.
They take care of orphans. Disabled children and adults.**

Will be visiting the Church on Wednesday 9 March, with their stall. They raise money by selling icons, ceramics, decorations and other artifacts produced in their workshop of the convent.

40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil outside of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital Hardgate Road Glasgow.

What are you going to do for Lent this year? Can you give one hour per week to come and pray for an end to abortion? If so please email Ogilvie1615@outlook.com for more details.

In his encyclical The Gospel of Life Pope St John Paul wrote, ‘ Every individual, precisely by reason of the mystery of the Word of God who was made flesh (cf. Jn 1:14), is entrusted to the maternal care of the Church. Therefore every threat to human dignity and life must necessarily be felt in the Church's very heart; it cannot but affect her at the core of her faith in the Redemptive Incarnation of the Son of God, and engage her in her mission of proclaiming the Gospel of life in all the world and to every creature (cf. Mk 16:15).

Thank you all for continuing your generosity to Holy Cross. Please continue to remember us. This is a link for donating direct to Holy Cross Parish. [Holy Cross Parish.](#)

Please only take a bulletin if you or someone you know are unable to access online. Cuts down on paper waste.

Feast Days

Thursday Feast of St John Ogilvie.

Sunday Readings

1st Reading Dt 26:4-10
2nd Reading Rom 10:8-13
Gospel Lk 4:1-13

If anyone knows someone who is housebound and would like to receive the sacraments at home, could they please check with the person concerned and pass on contact details to the parish.

New [Flourish](#) is available online and in church

Copies of the new Scottish Catholic Magazine are available at the back of the Church. Price £2 each. Please ask a Passkeeper for one. [Visit the Web Site.](#)

The 10year National Census for Scotland is Sunday 20th March.

The form can be filled in online. Though if you do not have Internet access. You can phone for a copy of the Census to be posted out to you. Or a member of your family can fill it out online for you.

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*Let us pray for one another and for our World. especially for Ukraine.
Our Lady Health of the Sick Pray for us.*

Lentfest Online has begun with links to these and other free virtual events at www.agap.org.uk/lentfest

Sun 6 March @ 7pm: ONLINE PREMIERE: Martin Jones in Concert

An intimate concert by Singer-Songwriter and Celtic Music Radio Presenter. An eclectic mix of country, blues, soul and folk with original songs in English and Spanish as well as a few covers. Followed by live Zoom chat at 8pm.

A Lent retreat

Begins Ash Wednesday, 2nd March 2022

A 16th Century soldier turned saint whose life is relevant and inspirational today.

Come with us on a journey through Lent with Ignatius of Loyola and see how his struggles and achievements form part of the common human search to understand self and live a fulfilling life.

It is 500 years since a cannonball shattered his dreams of fame and fortune and forced him to re-evaluate life. From the comfortable life of Spanish nobility he opted for a simple lifestyle of service to those most in need and devotion to Christ.

Each day of Lent we offer:

- An episode in the life of Ignatius
- A reading from Scripture
- A picture to ponder
- Music to inspire
- A short reflection

Join us daily online and join a group weekly to share your exploration and prayer and if need be get help with the different ways of praying the materials.

How to Access the Retreat

The Lent retreat is available on the web - [Click here to go directly to the retreat.](#)

The Lent retreat is also available daily on Android or Apple apps.

“**The Archdiocesan Youth Office** is running a 5-night pilgrimage to Rome this June, departing on Friday, 24th June and returning Wednesday, 29th June 2022. This trip is for those who are aged 18 - 30 and is set to be a great opportunity to deepen your faith, meet other young Catholics and check out the beautiful sights Rome has to offer. If you would like more information, check out our website: www.rcagyouth.co.uk or [email youth@rcag.org.uk](mailto:email_youth@rcag.org.uk). Places are limited.”

Brecbannoch Pilgrimage:

The inaugural Brecbannoch Pilgrimage will take place 11-13 June 2022. The Brecbannoch is a 50-mile pilgrimage undertaken on foot from Oban to Iona, with the special purpose of praying for the renewal of the faith in Scotland. Along the way, we will carry the relics of St Columba, St Andrew and St Margaret, invoking their protection over the Church in these isles. Sign up before places run out at: www.brecbannoch.org/sign-up



On behalf of the Archdiocese a synod website has been uploaded. It can be accessed at rcagsynod.org. We will add more things when they become available to us. In Glasgow we had a late start, apologies! Many had already made a start, if they would like to share their successes on the web page to assist the rest of us then please feel free to send me anything that may help. synod@rcag.co.uk
This is the beginning of a process not simply the preparation for an event in 2023. As the new Archbishop of Tuam said at his instillation, “This is a pathway not a runway.” Its small steps.

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2021-10/theologian-luciani-synod-turning-point-for-church.html>

Podcast from Rafael Luciani, a member of the Theological Preparatory Commission.

Watch live [at bit.ly/BCOSYouTube](https://bit.ly/BCOSYouTube)