

# ST ANTHONY'S & ST MARK'S

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## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (A) 5TH MARCH 2023

### **FOODBANK**

Thank you for your continued support of the foodbank; last week we were able to support **55 families**. This is a list of items we are in particular need of at our Food Bank: pasta sauce, tinned fruit, tinned rice/custard, Tinned spaghetti, UHT milk.

Items can be brought to any Mass or to the Church House at St Mark's. Thanks again.

If you live locally and want to donate items - we now have a regular collection point in Burnside Butchers.

### **PENITENTIAL ACT**

There are three forms of the Penitential Act that we can use at Mass and we frequently use two of them: form 1 & form 3. During Lent we will begin to use form two, so that we are comfortable with all three forms. The second form is prayed as follows:

*Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord.*

*People: **For we have sinned against you.***

*Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.*

*People: **And grant us your salvation.***

### **SCIAF LENTEN APPEAL**

This year's Lenten appeal focuses on the lives of families in Zambia. It tells stories of women and the things they do to overcome the challenges they face, of the work of our partners and of the distance that SCIAF supporters' generosity goes.

It deals with the practicalities of farming in the harshest of conditions and the problems that families face when their crops fail and there is nothing for them to eat.

For families in Zambia, going hungry is just the start of their problems but it does not have to be the end of their lives.

A representative from SCIAF will be here to talk to us about this appeal, and we will take up a second collection to aid their work on the **Fourth Sunday of Lent (18th/19th March)**.

SCIAF boxes can also be collected from the Porch of the Churches this weekend.

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

### SATURDAY 4TH MARCH

*Matthew tells that the disciples fall on their faces overcome with fear when they hear the voice of the Father. Only after the resurrection will their faith be perfected to the point that they can hold to both the majesty of God and his desire to save them by drawing them into his perfect love through Jesus.*

*(Readings: Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 32; 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9)*

**4.30pm**                      **The Sacrament of Reconciliation available at St Mark's**  
**5.00pm**                      **Vigil Mass for the Second Sunday of Lent at St Mark's**

### SUNDAY 5TH MARCH

**10.00am**                      Holy Mass for the Second Sunday of Lent **at St Mark's**  
**11.30am**                      Holy Mass for the Second Sunday of Lent **at St Anthony's**  
**12.30pm**                      **Sacrament of Baptism for Ruaridh Anderson at St Anthony's**  
**1.00pm**                      **Sacrament of Baptism of Louis Michael Noonan at St Anthony's**  
**4.30pm**                      **The Sacrament of Reconciliation available at St Anthony's**  
**5.00pm**                      Holy Mass for the Second Sunday of Lent **at St Anthony's**

### MONDAY 6TH MARCH

*(Readings: Daniel 9:4-10; Psalm: 78; Luke 6:36-38)*

**8.40am**                      Holy Mass for Monday of the Second Week of Lent **at St Mark's School**  
**At St Mark's**  
**9.00am-9.50am**              Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
**9.30am**                      Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary  
**10.00am**                      Holy Mass for Monday of the Second Week of Lent  
**11.00am**                      Computer and IT help in St Mark's House  
**7.00pm**                      **RCIA meeting in St Mark's House**

### TUESDAY 7TH MARCH

## THE COMMEMORATION OF SAINTS PERPETUA AND FELICITY, MARTYRS

*St Perpetua & St Felicity were among a group of catechumens arrested in Carthage in 203. They were baptised in prison. Perpetua had just given birth and her father pleaded unsuccessfully for her to renounce her new faith. Felicity was a slave and pregnant. They were thrown to the lions. They both have a permanent mention in the First Eucharistic Prayer.*

*(Readings: Isaiah 1:10.16-20; Psalm 49; Matthew 23:1-12)*

**At St Anthony's**  
**6.00pm-6.50pm**              Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
**6.30pm-6.50pm**              Sacrament of Reconciliation available  
**6.30pm**                      Recitation of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary **at St Anthony's**  
**7.00pm**                      Holy Mass for the Commemoration of Saints Felicity & Perpetua, with the homily delivered by Rev. David Harper, of St Augustine's Coatbridge followed by the Novena to St Anthony

### WEDNESDAY 8TH MARCH

*(Readings: Jeremiah 18:18-20; Psalm: 30; Matthew 20:17-28)*

**At St Mark's**  
**9.00am-9.50am**              Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
**9.30am**                      Recitation of the Glorious Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary  
**10.00am**                      Holy Mass for Wednesday of the Second Week of Lent  
**10.00am-12.00noon**      **Food Bank at St Anthony's Hall**  
**10.30am**                      **Cuppa Club in St Mark's Hall**  
**12.00noon-2.00pm**      **Food Bank at St Mark's Hall**  
**12.00noon**                      **Justice & Peace Group meeting in St Mark's Hall**  
**6.00pm**                      Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation  
**7.00pm**                      **Meeting of next weekend's Readers in St Mark's House**  
**7.30pm**                      **Meeting of the IT & Media Group in St Mark's House**

## IT & MEDIA MEETING

There will be a meeting of the IT & Media team **at 7.30pm on Wednesday 8th of March in St Mark's house.** If you are interested in helping with the Parish IT & Media please come to the meeting.

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE**

## THURSDAY 9TH MARCH

(Readings: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1; Luke: 16: 19-31)

At St Anthony's

8.30am

**Holy Mass for Thursday of the Second Week of Lent**

9.00am-9.50am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am-9.50am

Recitation of the Luminous Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary

10.00am

Holy Mass for Thursday of the Second Week of Lent

10.30am

Stations of the Cross **at St Anthony's** for the intercession of Mary, the Mother of Jesus

7.00pm

Stations of the Cross **at St Mark's** for the intercession of Mary, the Mother of Jesus

7.30pm

**Community Choir Rehearsals at St Mark's**

7.30pm

**Introduction to the Bible at St Mark's House**

## FRIDAY 10TH MARCH

### THE FEAST OF SAINT JOHN OGILVIE

**St John Ogilvie**, Martyr, was born in 1580 at Drum, near Keith. Educated a Calvinist, he went to the Low Countries and was received into the Catholic Church by Father Cornelius a Lapide. He became a Jesuit, was ordained priest in 1613 and landed in Scotland that year. In Edinburgh and Glasgow he reconciled many to the Ancient Faith, but was betrayed, imprisoned and tortured, and finally hanged in Glasgow in 1615.

(Readings: Isaiah 50:5-9; Psalm 76; John 12:24-26)

At St Mark's

7.00am

Holy Mass for the Feast of St John Ogilvie

9.00am-9.50am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am

Recitation of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary

9.30am-9.50am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation available**

10.00am

Holy Mass for the Feast of St John Ogilvie

## SATURDAY 11TH MARCH

**MASS NEXT SATURDAY IS AT ST MARK'S AND NOT ST ANTHONY'S**

At St Mark's

9.30am-9.50am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation available**

10.00am

**Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Michael Dooley**

11.00am-1.00pm

**Gardening Club at St Mark's**

11.00am-1.00pm

**Computer and IT help at St Mark's House**

11.30am

**Sacrament of Baptism of Katherine Maria Rossi at St Mark's**

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

### SATURDAY 11TH MARCH

*The woman at the well seems a marginal figure, coming to draw water alone and in the heat of the day. Her encounter with Jesus causes her to leave her bucket behind, and what had seemed so essential for life now pales into insignificance compared to the new life and healing that faith in Christ brings.*

(Readings: Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 32; 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9)

At St Mark's

4.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation available

5.00pm

Vigil Mass for the Third Sunday of Lent

### SUNDAY 12TH MARCH

10.00am

Holy Mass for the Third Sunday of Lent **at St Mark's**

11.30am

Holy Mass for the Third Sunday of Lent **at St Anthony's**

12.30pm

**Sacrament of Baptism of Esme Mackie at St Mark's**

1.00pm

**Sacrament of Baptism of Aaron & Peter Brown at St Mark's**

4.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation available

5.00pm

Holy Mass for the Third Sunday of Lent **at St Anthony's with a celebration of the Scrutinies of our RCIA candidates**

## HCPT

The HCPT group who were here last October to appeal for volunteers would now like to meet the people who volunteered. The meeting will be at **3.00pm this Sunday 5th March in St Mark's House**. The group will be going to Hosanna House in Lourdes from 14th—21st of July 2023.

## BOOK CLUB

The next book we are reading is 'The Keeper of Lost Things' by Ruth Hogan. We will meet at **7.00pm on Wednesday 29th March in St Mark's House**. If you would like to join the Book Club then please come along.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Those who celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism:** Ruaridh Anderson, Louis Michael Noonan & Katherine Maria Rossi

**Those who died recently, especially:** Gerry Buchanan, James Dolley, Patsy Harkin, James McVittie, Mary Jane Smilie & Agnes Tomeny

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially:** Catherine Anderson, Bernadette Brander, Gordon Brander, Thomas Ionta, Jimmy Lang, Brian McGhee, Edward Morgan, Hugh Roney, Jean, Dan & John Whitters

**Please pray for all sick and housebound of the Parish:** Isobel Clark, Isa Daniels, Helen Hunt, Baby Finn McGuinness, Michael McGuire, Baby Hope McKenna, Henry McVey, May O'Donnell & Margaret Rice

## SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY

There will be two weekly Masses this Lent for the school communities of our Parish.

**On Mondays at 8.40am** Mass will be celebrated in **St Mark's Primary School** for the school community only.

**On Thursdays at 8.30am** Mass will be celebrated in **St Anthony's Church** for the school community and anyone else who would like to come.

I will also be standing in as School Chaplain of Trinity High School while Fr Annis, the Chaplain, is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

## PARISH THEATRE TRIPS

We have planned a further three Theatre trips over the next year. We hope to see 'The King and I' at **7.30pm on Wednesday 17th of May at the King's Theatre in Glasgow.** We then hope to see 'Wicked' at **7.30pm on Wednesday 3rd of January 2024 at the Playhouse in Edinburgh.** We then hope to see 'Hamilton' at the **Festival Theatre in Edinburgh in early 2024, the date and time to be confirmed.** If you are interested in attending any of these shows then please add your name to the lists in the porch of the Churches, or speak to Karen or myself.

## DAYS OF RECOLLECTION DURING LENT

A day for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on 11th of March has to be postponed as we have a funeral that day.

## THE KNIT & NATTER CRAFT GROUP

We are establishing a new craft group, which will meet once per month. If you enjoy knitting and crafting, and if you are interested in joining this new group, then please come to a meeting in **Mark's Hall after 10.00am Mass on Wednesday 15th March.** If you can't make that meeting time, then please let me know.

## THE UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS

Some members of the Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM) will be at the **10.00am Mass on Friday 17th of March.** They hope to meet mothers of the Parish who would like to set up a UCM group in the Parish. There will be a meeting the **St Mark's House after Mass** to discuss this with anyone who is interested.

If you are interested in setting up a UCM group but can't make the meeting on the 17th, then please let me know.

## RCIA

On the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent, our newly named "Elect" will participate in three successive rites called "the Scrutinies." These rites, with roots dating back to the early Church, take place during the Sunday Mass, each thematically linked to the Gospel reading for that Mass. The three passages from St. John's Gospel for these Sundays were selected around 500AD as powerful depictions of the hidden transformation God accomplishes in the Elect through each Scrutiny. Each proclamation emphasises repentance and conversion as the Light of Christ comes to pierce the darkness of sin and to bring life where there is death. The "Elect", along with their sponsors, stand before the celebrant and the assembly, who pray for them silently with a series of intercessions.

It culminates in a prayer of cleansing and protection (exorcism) with the laying-on-of-hands. Each Scrutiny is a step in preparing the Elect for the celebration and initiation soon to come at the Easter Vigil. Please pray for Jim and Jordan over the next few weeks.

## ST PATRICK'S NIGHT

There will be a St Patrick's Night Celebration at **7.00pm on Saturday 11th of March in St Mark's Hall.** All proceeds will be going to the Kylbride Hospice. Please speak to the Ministers of Welcome for more information.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE 26TH FEBRUARY:

Plate collection including Gift Aid envelopes: £1639.83

Gift Aid to Bank: 260.00

**Total: £1899.83**

**EARTHQUAKE RELIEF FUND: £1344.09**