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10th March 2024—THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

HOLY MASS

Tues 7.00 pm at St Anthony's

Wed 09.30 am at St Mark's

Thurs 09.30 am at St Anthony's

Thurs 6.30 pm Reception Maureen Flanagan

Fri 09.30 am at St Mark's Funeral Mass

For Maureen Flanagan

Sat 09.30 am at St Anthony's

Sat 5.00 pm at St Mark's (Vigil)

Sun 10.00 am at St Mark's

Sun 11.30 am at St Anthony's

Sun 5.00 pm at St Anthony's

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sat 9.00-9.20 at St Anthony's

Sat 4.30 -4.50 at St Mark's

Sun 4.30-4.50 at St Anthony's

RECITATION OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

Tues 6.30 at St Anthony's

Wed & Fri 9.00 am at St Mark's

Thurs & Sat 9.00 am at St Anthony's

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading	2 Chr 36: 14-16.19-23	God's wrath and mercy are revealed in the exile and release of his people
Psalm	Ps 136	O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.
Reading	Eph 2: 4-10	You have been saved through grace.
Gospel	Jn 3: 14-21	God sent his son so that through him the world might be saved.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who died recently, especially: Maureen Flanagan; Kathleen McLaughlin; Mary Jane MacInnes.

Those whose anniversaries occur: Jimmy Lang; Catherine Sweeney; Mary Fallon; Patrick McKell.

All sick and housebound of the Parish: Pauline Mahon; Mary McColgan; Ella Connolly, Isa Daniels, Finn McGuinness, Baby Hope McKenna, May O'Donnell, Margaret Rice; Annie O'Donnell.; Sandra Morgan.

SCIAF SUNDAY: On this SCIAF Sunday, we pray for all mothers around the world. We thank you, Lord, for giving us this precious gift – and we thank our mothers for the love and care they provide. We especially give thanks for mothers in Rwanda, who, despite the challenges they face, provide their children with the love and support they need to survive. Please give what you can in today's collection for SCIAF. You can also donate to SCIAF at sciaf.org.uk/donate or by calling 0141 354 5555. Thank you.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK

Plate collection including Gift Aid envelopes: £ 1552.04; Gift Aid to Bank £ 489.50 Total £ 2041.54

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND 9TH/10TH MARCH IS FOR SCIAF

Thank You

FOODBANK

Massive thanks to everyone for their generosity again this week enabling us to support 88 families. Special thanks to our Parishioners who always give so generously to our cause. Thanks also to The City Charitable Trust for their continued support, it is greatly appreciated. Finally thanks to our local community who are always so kind. This week we are running low on the following items: Cereal, diluting juice, pot noodles, jam, baby food, nappies (sizes 4 & 5), baby wipes, small jars of sandwich spread & toothpaste. As Easter is approaching, we would also like to start preparing for the school holidays when we know we will have more children coming along with their parents. We would ask, if possible, could you buy a crème egg as a treat for them. Donations can be left at the back of both Churches as well as Jingers and Le Sorelle in Burnside.

St MARK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

As part of their Lenten Charities, St Mark's Primary are supporting the St Anthony's and St Mark's Foodbank. Families will donate to the foodbank via the school office during the last few weeks of Lent and our Minni Vinnie's Group hope to make a trip to the Church Hall to see how the SVDP Group organise the Foodbank for our community.

LENTEN MASSES

In addition to the normal Masses, there will be the following additional Masses to which everyone is invited:

Thursdays 8.30 St Anthony's Primary School - Fridays 8.30 St Mark's Primary School

We hope especially that pupils and parents of our two primary schools as well as our parishioners will make a big effort during Lent to attend Mass with their peers.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS : Stations will be celebrated every Sunday at 4.30pm at St Anthony's. Please do come along to this much-loved Advent devotion. If you are a member of a parish group, would your group consider leading the Stations one week?

WELLSPRING PROJECT UPDATES

FABRIC: LOFT CLEARANCES : Thanks to all who managed along to St Anthony's Hall and St Mark's Presbytery for the loft clearances last weekend. The St Anthony's hall loft is only half cleared, and so we will hire another skip to be filled next Saturday 16th March after the 9.30 Mass: please consider coming along and lending a hand

PARISH FABRIC COMMITTEE : The minutes of the Committee meeting on 13th February are now on the parish website.

PERU FRIENDSHIP MEETING: A reminder that we'll have a first meeting of a group to explore growing a connection of friendship between our parish and Risen Christ parish in Ate, Lima, on Wednesday 13th March at 7.30 p.m. in St Anthony's hall. Parish priest Fr Nilton will join us on Zoom for part of the meeting. All welcome. Watch out for some updates via our parish Facebook

ALPHA PROGRAMME : A huge thank you to the 20 participants who came along to our opening Alpha session on Tuesday, including 6 young people wishing to find out more about the big questions in life and how our faith in Jesus might act as lens to see God and the world more clearly. You're not too late if you want to come along this week: we'll be back in the side chapel of St Anthony's on Tuesday at 5.45-6.45pm.

MOTHERS DAY FLOWERS: A GIFT FROM THE WOMEN OF RISEN CHRIST PARISH

The women of Risen Christ parish in Ate, Peru, are offering a simple gift of a flower to every female parishioner this weekend to mark Mother's Day, as a sign of friendship and solidarity. The flowers will be distributed on the way out of Mass. With this gift also comes the appreciation of our own parish for the gifts and charisms of women and girls in our parish and wider community.

BISHOP DOUGAN ORDINATION

Bishop Frank was ordained as Bishop of Galloway yesterday when great joy, and he will take possession of St Margaret's Cathedral in Ayr at Mass today (Sunday) at 3pm. You can watch and pray live online on the diocesan Facebook (/GallowayDiocese) and YouTube channel (RCGalloway).

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Parish Finance Committee meeting on 5th March will be published on the parish website shortly. Please find a copy of the Financial Report to Parishioners with your copy of the weekly bulletin. This can also be found on the Parish website.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

A meeting for all of those attending the Parish Pilgrimage will take place on Thursday 14th March at 6 pm in the Cry Chapel at St Anthony's Church. Marjorie will be supplying you with forms which need to be completed and handed in at the meeting. Also, a de-

ST PATRICK'S NIGHT

A final reminder of the St Patrick's Night event in St Mark's hall on Saturday 16th March in aid of Kilbryde Hospice and HCPT - The Pilgrimage Trust. We would also welcome raffle prizes and cash donations to these great causes.

QR CODE FOR PARISH GIVING

If parishioners or visitors would prefer to use their mobile phones to make a donation at Sunday Mass, then please feel free to use the new QR code.

