

SAINT CHARLES' PARISH

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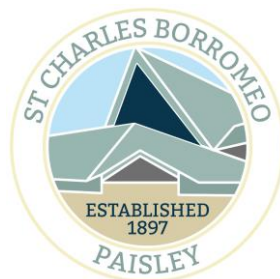
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Scottish Charity No. SCO13514

Parish Priest: Canon James Duggan, **Permanent Deacon:** Deacon Brian Mackenzie



Sign of Peace: If you are comfortable to do so, please make a simple gesture towards those around you. At this time, it would not include shaking hands with people from outside your own household.

Mass times: Saturday Vigil – 5.00pm
Sunday – 10.00am, 12.00noon & 5.30pm

Weekdays (Mon-Wed, Fri, Sat) – 10.00am
(Thur) – 7pm

Confession: Thursday – 6.20-6.50pm
Saturday – 9.20-9.50am, 4.20-4.50pm

Rosary: Weekdays – 9.30am (unless Funeral)
Exposition: Weekdays – 9.30am (unless Funeral)
Thursday – 6.20pm

Fatima Devotion: First Saturday after Morning Mass

Sunday, 12th March 2023

Second Collection

Today, as you leave, the collection buckets are for contributions to the extra heating costs.

Next weekend the proceeds of the second collection are divided 75% to SCIAF and 25% to our new St Mirin's Fund. SCIAF is the official aid and international development charity of the Catholic Church in Scotland. It works in sixteen countries across Asia, Africa and Latin America to help the poorest in the world, regardless of religion, to work their way out of poverty. The St. Mirin's Fund awards small grants for good causes that promote the Kingdom of God among us, with special consideration to: children and young people, the elderly, those with disabilities and special needs, or suffering from poverty, mental illness, homelessness or refugees.

Parish Pastoral Council

The parish pastoral council groups are due to meet **this Thursday evening at 8.00pm** after our evening Mass and Lenten Reflection.



Please come along at
7pm on Thursday, 16th March
for an evening of prayer.
Our evening will begin with the
celebration of Mass,
followed by a short time of
adoration, reflection and praise.
Everyone is welcome.



On Tuesdays and Fridays after the 10.00am Mass, we will have Stations of the Cross, unless there is a funeral. If that is the case, we will try to have them on another day that week.



SCIAF Lent Appeal

SCIAF Wee Boxes are available in the porch. Please take one home with you. For the poorest people, hunger is the start, but it doesn't have to be their end.

There is still hope.

We know that change is possible. Please reach out to our poorest sisters and brothers with love and compassion and use your WEE BOX to make a BIG CHANGE. This Lent, your donations will give families the ability to grow their own food by providing the training and tools they need. By ensuring they have the business skills they need to earn an income, and by providing access to women's groups and literacy classes so they can work themselves out of poverty.



Tel: 07896 154093

We are here to help!

If you, or anyone you know, is in need of practical support and assistance, please give us a call, in complete confidence, or put a note in the SSVP box.

Divine Mercy Monthly Devotions

The Friends of Divine Mercy Scotland invite you to a Divine Mercy Mass at **7.00pm** followed by Adoration on **Wednesday, 29th March**. The mass will take place at **St Mirin's Cathedral for March only**, it will be back at St Mary's in April. All are welcome.



We are STILL looking for volunteers please!

Would you be willing to assist at the tea bar after the Masses on a Sunday morning? Or perhaps you could help with cleaning the church and hall, which we do on a fortnightly basis?

If so, please add your name and telephone number to the sheet in the porch, indicating your preference, and we will be in touch. Thank you.

Diocese of Paisley Lenten Catechesis 2023

Jesus: The Source of Eternal Life

St. Mirin's Cathedral, 2.00-4.00pm

Remembering our popular Lenten Catechesis of 2015, the diocese will be holding two Lenten Catecheses to prepare us for the Easter Season. **This Sunday, 12th March**, Third Sunday of Lent, Bishop High Gilbert of Aberdeen will reflect on *Jesus and the Woman at the Well*. As well as Bishops' Catechesis there will be Testimony from Young People, Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction with music led by our Diocesan Choir. Please note this Lenten gathering is an in-person event therefore the Livestream will not be available

Relics of Padre Pio in Scotland

There will be mass followed by individual blessing with the mit/glove of Padre Pio on 20th March at 7pm in St. John's, Barrhead and 23rd March at 7pm in St. Francis', Port Glasgow.

Our Lady of the Wayside Lunch Club

Join us at St Mirin Cathedral Hall, Paisley for a **FREE** light lunch with entertainment (tea, coffee & soft drinks) on **Monday, 13th March from 1:30pm – 4.00pm**.

Think Vocation

"My food is to do the will of the one who sent me." Could God's will be that you be a priest, deacon or religious? Could you find energy and life responding to that call? Speak to our Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison
Tel: 0141 889 2602 or email vocations@rcdop.org.uk.

Diocese of Paisley Safeguarding Thought for the Month of March

As a Church community, we accept that it is the responsibility of all of us - ordained, professed, employed and voluntary members - to work together to protect children and vulnerable adults from abuse or harm.

Diary Dates

- On **Good Friday, 7th April**, there will be Stations of the Cross for children and their families at **12.00 noon**.
- Our next **Fun Quiz Night** will take place in the hall on **Friday, 5th May** at 7.30pm



Swish Party Fundraiser

Aine and Abi, two St Andrew's pupils from our parish, are going to Lourdes with Paisley Diocese and need your help!

They are hosting a Swish Party Fundraiser on Saturday, 25th March from 1pm-4pm in St Charles' Church Hall.

They are asking for donations of clothes, shoes and accessories that could be sold at their Swish Party.

They are also hoping you'll come along on the day and get yourself some new fashion in exchange for a small donation.

Entry to the Swish party is £3 and tea/coffee and refreshments are included.

Donations of good quality clothing would be very much appreciated.

Items can be dropped into the small hall or can be given to Aine and Abi's families.

You can also call 07985607260 if you wish items to be collected. Thank you very much for your support.



LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Sometimes, like the Samaritan woman, we can scarcely believe that God would meet us here in this fallen world. The truth of what he speaks and the beauty of what he proclaims is like a well of spring water in a dry desert. Do we dare accept the gift?

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Legion of Mary – Annual Acies ceremony

The annual Acies ceremony of the Legion of Mary will be held in St Mirins Cathedral on the feast of the Annunciation, **Saturday, 25th March at 2.00pm**. All active and auxiliary members are warmly invited to come along and renew their devotion to Our Lady for the year ahead. Refreshments will be available in the hall afterwards.