

# SAINT CHARLES' PARISH

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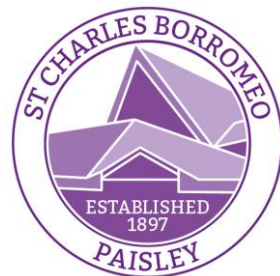
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Scottish Charity No. SCO13514

**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, 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023

## Second Collection

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

Next weekend the second collection is for the Building Fund.

### Stations of the Cross with Children



Please come along on **Good Friday** to join our children who will be leading the Stations of the Cross **at 12.00 noon in the church.** Everyone is more than welcome to take part in this time of prayer.

## Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday)

The priests of the St Andrew's cluster have been meeting regularly to look at ways of fostering greater unity and working relationships between our local parishes. To this end, we have decided this year to have one Mass of the Lord's Supper in our area on Holy Thursday evening. This will take place in St Mirin's cathedral at 7pm followed by night prayers at 9pm and continued watching at the Altar of Repose (cathedral halls) until 10pm. We know this is a big change from the norm but the one Mass gives us all in the area the opportunity to come together on this special Feast of the Institution of the Eucharist, giving a powerful witness of how the Eucharist unites every one of us. Holy Thursday is also the celebration of the Institution of the Priesthood when the Lord instructed his disciples to "Do this in memory of me". Coming together in one bigger celebration on this special night also gives the local priests the chance to be together and support each other on this their special Feast Day.

## Collection Envelopes

New envelopes are now available in the small hall after each Mass for those who wish to use them for their Sunday collections. There are three types available:

1. For those who Gift Aid donations
2. For non-Gift Aid donations
3. For those with a Standing Order who wish to Gift Aid special collections



## All Day Confessions

On **Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> March**, priests will be available to hear confessions from 8.30am until 8.00pm in St Mirin's Cathedral. Confessions will be paused for the 10.00am and 1.00pm Masses.

## Easter Triduum



### HOLY THURSDAY

**Mass of the Lord's Supper** at 7.00pm in St Mirin's Cathedral

### GOOD FRIDAY

**Stations of the Cross with Children** at 12.00 noon

**Solemn Liturgy** at 3.00pm

**Stations of the Cross** at 7.00pm

### EASTER VIGIL

Mass at 8.30pm

### EASTER SUNDAY

Masses at 10.00am and 12.00noon

(No Sunday evening Mass)

### EASTER MONDAY

Mass at 7.00pm (no morning Mass)

Thereafter as normal

## Readers

We are very grateful to the existing team of readers in the parish, but we are keen to recruit more over the coming months. We would be delighted to hear from parishioners, including children from upper primary and all secondary school stages, who would be willing to take on this role. Training is available to any volunteers. If interested, please pass your contact details to Fr Jim with a note that it is for the attention of Margaret Convery (readers co-ordinator). The easiest way to do this is by e-mail:

[stcharles@rcdop.org.uk](mailto:stcharles@rcdop.org.uk)



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.

## Diocese of Paisley Lenten Catechesis 2023

Jesus: The Source of Eternal Life

St. Mirin's Cathedral, 2.00-4.00pm

Our next Lenten Catecheses, to prepare us for the Easter Season will take place **this Sunday, 26th March**, Fifth Sunday of Lent, Bishop Brian McGee of Argyll and the Isles, will reflect on *Jesus and Lazarus*. 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.**

## St. Vincent's Hospice

### Sponsored Pilgrimage to Santiago

Gerry McCourt, from our diocesan SSVP, is walking 500 Miles on a solo Pilgrimage from St Jean Pied de Port in France to Santiago in Spain, carrying his own rucksack and staying in pilgrim hostels along the route. He begins on 17th April, hiking for around forty days, to raise funds for the St Vincent Hospice at Howwood. If you would like to sponsor him just go to:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-vincent-hospice-gerrymccourt>

## Trip to Medugorje

A trip Medugorje is being organised between 27<sup>th</sup> September and 4<sup>th</sup> October. If you are interested, please contact Cormack Smith on 07568401416 or [Cormacksmith123@icloud.com](mailto:Cormacksmith123@icloud.com).

## 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.

## Diary Dates

- Our next **Fun Quiz Night** will take place in the hall on **Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> May** at 7.30pm
- **St Andrew's Cluster Mission** – From Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> April there will be 7.00pm evening services every night in St Mirin's. More details to follow soon.

## 200 Club

The March winners are:

1. £200.00 – [35 – Frank Murray]
2. £100.00 – [3 – Donald Boyd]
3. £50.00 – [48 – Sean Docherty]
4. £25.00 – [224 – John Cassidy]
5. £25.00 – [168 – Sarita Rodriguez]

The winnings will be paid into accounts this week. Thank you for your support.

## 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.*

## Diocesan Young Adults (18-35)

Our series of talks, *In God's Image: A Defence of Catholic Moral Teaching*, continues on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March. In the next talk, *Before I Formed You in the Womb I Knew You*, Mr John Deighan will discuss the dignity of the unborn child. Please arrive at the diocesan office before 7.00pm. The talk will be followed by an opportunity to socialise over drinks in a local bar. Details of future talks in the series can be found on Facebook.

## LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR



## THE WEEK

Though weighed down by grief, Martha rushes out to meet Jesus. She may not understand why he was absent upon the death of her brother, but her faithfulness is undeterred. In the hour of her heartbreak, she knows her only solace is in the embrace of the Lord.