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# Cathedral Record

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## Holy Week and Easter

### PALM SUNDAY

**Masses** at **4pm** (Saturday Vigil), Sunday **9am** and **11am** (livestream). Palms will be distributed on the way into the Cathedral. There will be no procession and the Opening Rite of Blessing will take place on the sanctuary. The Passion according to Saint Mark will be sung at the 11am Solemn Mass.

Livestream service of **Tenebrae** at **7pm**

### MASS OF CHRISM

Wednesday at **6pm**. Including the Blessing of Oils and Renewal of Priestly Commitment.

There is limited availability of places for clergy and parishioners, please register for a ticket by emailing [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

### MAUNDY THURSDAY

Choral Service of Readings and Morning Prayer at **10am**  
Livestream

### MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

at 7.30pm, with Night Prayer concluding at 9.30pm.

### GOOD FRIDAY

Livestream only Choral Service of Readings and Morning Prayer at **10am**.

**11.30am** Stations of the Cross – Please remain in your place within the Cathedral throughout this service.

**Solemn Liturgy of the Passion** with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion at **3pm** and **5pm**.

### HOLY SATURDAY

Livestream only Service of Readings and Morning Prayer at **10am**

Easter Vigil at **8pm**

### EASTER SUNDAY

Easter Masses with Renewal of Baptismal Promises at **9am**, **10am** and **11am**.

Livestream only Service of Choral Evening Prayer at **7pm**.

### Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 21 March 2021

#### Sunday 21 March Fifth Sunday of Lent

**9.00am** Mass  
**11.00am** Mass  
This Mass will be streamed live on Facebook and Youtube

#### Monday 22 March 12noon Mass

#### Tuesday 23 March 12noon Mass

#### Wednesday 24 March 12noon Mass

#### Thursday 25 March Annunciation of the Lord 12noon Mass

#### Friday 26 March 12noon Mass

#### Saturday 27 March 10.00am Mass 4.00pm Mass

**RECONCILIATION (Confession)**  
**During Lent the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place at 10.30am, and again between 3.00pm – 4.00pm on Saturdays.**

**HOLY WEEK**  
**Confessions are available on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> from 11am-12noon, and on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12.30-1.30pm.**

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55 Seel St,  
Missionaries of  
Charity

**RLUH -**  
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#### **CLERGY:**

**PRIESTS:**  
Canon Anthony  
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Fr Stephen Lee  
Fr Chris McCoy  
Fr Peter Murphy

**DEACONS:**  
Rev Noel Abbott  
Rev Paul Mannings

# Cathedral Notice Board

## MASS INTENTIONS

Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, Keymit (Intentions), Valencia (Intentions), David McGowan (RIP), John Watkinson (RIP), Helen Skaife (RIP), Patrick Joseph Delaney (RIP), J P McIver (Birthday), John Mulroe (RIP), Eileen Kelly, Theresa Kennedy (Intentions), James McCall (Get Well), Jane, Laure, James McCall (Special Intentions), Kath Byron (Special Intentions), Pat and Bob Leehey (Special Intentions), Laura Growney (Special Intentions), Rita Clarke (RIP), Linda Rolph (Get Well), Sheila Veronica Evans (RIP), Lilla Savage (Intentions), Jeff Wallace (Sick), Derek Hayes (Sick), Ron Garnell (RIP), David Pells (Intentions), Winifred Ward (RIP), Brian Watts (RIP), Ronald Elliott (RIP).

## EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to make a small contribution towards the Easter flowers that will decorate the High Altar this year please either give it to one of the Cathedral clergy or post it through Cathedral House. Many thanks for your generosity.

## 'FROM ASHES TO EGGS: A JOURNEY THROUGH LENT.'

Lent meditations by Fr Chris McCoy. Available each Monday from 5pm during Lent on our Facebook and Youtube channels. Each session lasts about 20 minutes and consists of prayers, poems, stories on different Lenten themes. We hope you can join us.

## NEWS FROM ST NICHOLAS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

Last Friday afternoon it was lovely to see Father Peter visit us again for a catch up and to help us to plan and prepare for Holy Week and Easter. **Thank you, Father Peter.** We recently celebrated World Book Day in school and the efforts made by families and staff to make the day a massive success are always nothing short of amazing. thank you! The day always reminds us how reading is key to so much and is such a very enjoyable activity too!

## MET CATHEDRAL YOUNG ADULTS

Young adults aged 18 to 35(ish) from the Cathedral community are meeting together each week via Zoom.

Worship Wednesday - every Wednesday. A time of prayer, and reflection of some shared reading.

Currently we are reading Pope Benedict XVI's 'School of Prayer'.

Social Sunday - 1st Sunday of the Month. An opportunity to socialise with each other, and hear some input.

Sycamore Sundays - 2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays (begins 14th March)

Using videos and discussion points from the popular Sycamore project we will explore and deepen our appreciation of our Christian faith.

If you would like to join them please contact Fr Peter by emailing [p.murphy@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:p.murphy@metcathedral.org.uk) or calling Cathedral House.

## LENTEN PRAYER

Lord God, With all our hearts we beseech you: have mercy on your people; spare your people; strengthen all people in the struggle against the havoc of this pandemic. Lord our God, without you we are so weak and our courage so limited. Give us your strength; give us your love; give us wisdom and skill to

continue this fight. Spare your people, O Lord we pray. Comfort those who mourn and gather into your kingdom all who have died. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, who died and rose to life, who lives and reigns with you, for ever and ever. Amen.

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

That the recent visit by Pope Francis to Iraq, will result in improved inter-faith relationships and hasten peace for all in that troubled country.

That, as the Roadmap unfolds, we will all remember the lessons learned during Lockdown and value the safety of all and keep the needs of the most vulnerable in our communities in our minds and hearts.

That those suffering from mental health issues caused or made worse by the restrictions of the last year and especially for young people affected in this way, will be supported and encouraged as our communities begin to open up once more.

## NEWS FROM MICAH

This week again we hit an all time high for numbers provided with food - 402 at St Bride's on Thursday and 98 at St Vincent's on Tuesday. The crisis is clearly far from over. Needs in particular are for long life milk, Weetabix type cereal, tinned beans, tomatoes or other veg and pasta. Please drop off any items of food that you have at the Cathedral Security Office.

## WHAT WOULD POPE FRANCIS DO?

To mark the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' election, the Edinburgh Jesuit Centre is hosting a number of prominent Catholic voices exploring the teachings of Pope Francis each Tuesday in Lent at 7.30pm. The Environment, Dr Lorna Gold, 23<sup>rd</sup> March  
Women in the Church, Sr Gemma Simmonds, 30<sup>th</sup> March  
<https://edinburghjesuitcentre.org.uk/>

## ARCHDIOCESAN ROMERO MASS

**Tuesday 23 March 7pm** – livestream from Our Lady Star of the Sea, Parish of St Oscar Romero, Seaforth & Waterloo. Details on [jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk](http://jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk)

## DAY OF REFLECTION AND PRAYER

Will take place nationally on Tuesday 23 March to mark the anniversary of the first national lockdown. Our Mass on Tuesday at 12noon celebrated by Bishop Tom Williams will start with one minutes' silence. We reflect in sorrow on all those who have died. We reflect with compassion on all those who have suffered during this last year, whether through illness, stress financial disaster or family tension. We reflect with thanksgiving for the generosity, inventiveness, self-sacrifice and determination shown by so many. We reflect in hope that as the pandemic is controlled and we open up our lives again we will gather in the lessons we have learned and build our society into a better shape, more compassionate, less marked by inequalities and more responsive to needs and deprivation.

Last week's collection: **£532.68**



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