

REFLECTION: As we listen to St Peter in the Reading from the Acts of the Apostles and also Our Lord as he joins with the two disheartened disciples on the road to Emmaus we hear a lot of explaining. For those who expected an immediate and outward overthrow of the current order from Jesus nothing seems to have changed. The Roman Empire is still in power. The High Priests and King Herod are still in power. Yet everything has changed. The Resurrection of Christ has happened. A new era of living in faith what has been revealed by Jesus is beginning and continues for us as we continue reflecting on the Resurrection of the Lord. In these days we are experiencing Jesus is still calling us to be a people of faith rooted in God's love for us all.

This week the Prayers of our Liturgy, Mass and Divine Office are from the Third Week of Easter except

Wed. 29th April. St Catherine of Siena: ((1347-1380) By our standards today she died a young woman, but she filled her life with a love of God and a love for the Church established by Jesus. She became a Dominican Tertiary in her young teen-age years and had a great sense of the spiritual. She received the Stigmata (The wounds of Our Lord) and wrote about the importance of the Spritual side of our being. She campaigned for the return of the Pope from exile in Avignon to his own Diocese of Rome When she died the Pope conducted her funeral and in 1999 Pope St John PaulII named her a Patron of Europe.

Fri. 1st May: St Joseph the Worker: A Feast instituted by Pope Pius XII in 1955 to state clearly the Church's interest in the rights and dignity of workers giving the witness of St Joseph providing for Mary and Jesus through his work as a carpenter.

Sat. 2nd May: St Athanasius (295- 373): He became Bishop of Alexandria in 328, a Church that celebrates St Mark the Evangelist as its founder. Much of his time and energy was taken up combatting the Arian heresy which did not recognise Jesus as God. He took part in the Council of Nicaea and was responsible for the Profession of Faith or Creed which we still use in our Liturgy.



PARISH NEWS



Baptisms and Marriages are postponed. The Sacrament of Penance is by appointment with me or any priest you choose. Funerals will only involve the Burial at Cemetery or Committal at Crematorium with only priest and immediate family and close friends present. A private Mass will be offered on the day of burial with a Memorial Mass to be arranged after normal times return.

I continue to offer Mass privately daily at 6pm for this intention and for those who find these days and restrictions difficult.

Time-table for streamed Mass from St Brigid's through our Parish Facebook Page:

Today, Sunday Mass at 11am Next Sunday Mass at 11am also.

I thank all of you who have switched on to the Mass and Devotions we have streamed so far but I apologise also for the poor quality of the broadcast and especially of Katie Foy's Requiem Mass last Thursday. It is a problem that we do not have great control over but we will continue to work at it in the hope we can improve it.

This is a time too to return to the importance of family and personal prayer. The Rosary and Stations of the Cross are powerful ways to pray at home, pleading with the Lord to quickly take the weight of this present cross from our shoulders.

The Parish still depends on your generosity during this time for the usual upkeep and expenses of the Parish. If it is possible post your offertory envelopes, months mind and anniversary intentions and 300 Club contributions through the Parish House Letterbox.

Please consider the usefulness of a Standing Order or Bank transfer especially if you are now used to On-Line Banking. If you can do that I can provide you with Parish Bank details. Just phone or perhaps better send me a text to hpkelly@stbrigid.org.uk I would be grateful for your support.

The weekly Bulletin will be placed on both Parish Facebook page and on our Web-site so you can keep in touch.. Your Mass Intentions can be handed in at Parish House and Mass Cards for deceased can be obtained from me also.

PARISH INCOME: Sun.19th April 2020. Offertory and Easter Collection £1075.00. Thank you to all who have been so generous contributing during these awkward times.

300 CLUB WINNERS: WEEK 16: Sunday 19th April 2020:

£ 100 Prize No. **371.** Thomas Sommerville, 52 Bonkle Road, Newmains.

£ 25 Prize No. **215.** John McNulty, 52 Stewart Cresc. Newmains.

Please continue to support our 300 Club. Payments can be handed in to Chapel house in an envelope with your name and marked 300 Club or Contact Pat Cahill on 01698 292421

SCIAF WEE BOX APPEAL: Many of you did take away a Wee Box pack from the Church just before Lent. I now appeal on behalf of SCIAF for their return so from this week please leave your Wee Box at The Chapel House. Just leave them in front porch, ring the bell and

I will bring them in and we can get the returns to SCIAF before 20th May to gain the Government's promise to match every donation pound for pound.



DIOCESAN NEWS



WISHAW HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY: Fr Lewis Mendy (New Chaplain) can be contacted through the Hospital on 01698 361100 or St Bernadette's, Motherwell 01698 263945, Assistant Chaplain, Deacon Henry McKenna 07792 913166 (24hrs) The Hospital can only be visited during this emergency by the Official Chaplains.

WE PRAY FOR:

SICK: Canons Michael Walsh and Con O'Leary, Frs. Francis McGachey, Aidan D'Arcy and Vincent Lockhart, James Trainer, Cheryl Dougan, Jacqueline Lowrie, Alec Penman, Nicola Robinson, Winnie Docherty, Winifred Miller, Norma Nichols, Matthew McDonald, Frankie Flaherty, Anne Slavin Fadden, Liz Kelly, Hugh Wright, Patricia Hughes, Mary Hendry, Bridget Daly, Ashley Pinion, Maureen McKellor, Susan Curran, Letitia McGeechan, John Bryson, Robert Walker, Kerr Little (age 14), Laia Jenkins (age 7), Ciara Gallagher, Frankie McQuade, May Campbell (Gourock), James Brennan (Boston), Sheila Kelly, Ciara Cassidy (Glasnevin, Dublin), Lauren Feeney (Houston), Jimmy Anderson (Stonehouse), Shirley McDowell, Pat O'Brien, Suzanne Welsh (Shotts), Agnes Hillan, Rebecca (Penman) Braughton (Prestwick), John Reardon.

R.I.P.: Fr Richard Rodgers, Katie Foy (Murdostoun View), Ursula Craig (Glasgow), Bobby Dorner (St Mary's, Cleland), Peter Dickson (Fife), George Tweedlie (Bellside), Mary McLean (St Ignatius', Wishaw), James Bradley (St Ignatius', Wishaw).

MONTHS MINDS: John and Mary Kelly, Jackie and Theresa Ainslie, Joe and Mary Devlin, Margaret Slevin, May McElroy, Clayton and Ellen Calderhead, Margaret Hunstone, James Murphy Hunstone, Charlie Millar, Colin Campbell, Anne Woods, Tricia McLean, John and Liz Brown, Ben and Peggy Jamieson, Tom Geraghty.

ANNIVERSARIES: Tommy Imrie, Peter McKenna, Canon Hugh Cahill,



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ST BRIGID'S NEWMAINS

(Scottish Charity No. SC011041)

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

PARISH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 26th APRIL 2020



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MASS AND SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY (St Brigid's)	11am (Streamed)	Next Sunday 11am (Streamed)
MON – SAT	6pm (privately)	
CONFESSIONS and Sacrament of Sick.	By appointment.	Contact Fr Hugh on 01698 297037