

# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year – 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025**

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## MASSES and SERVICES

### Monday

9.30 am Rosary

10.00 am Daily Mass

6.00 pm Reception of Joanne Harrison

### Tuesday

10.00 am Funeral Mass for Joanne Harrison

### Wednesday

9.30 am Rosary

10.00 am and 7.00 pm

Distribution of ashes

### Thursday

9.30 am Rosary

10.00 am Daily Mass

### Saturday

4.00 pm Sunday Vigil Mass

### Sunday

**Wednesday: Ash Wednesday**  
**A day of fasting and abstinence**

Friday is a day of prayer for those who have suffered abuse in the Church.

**RIP:** Terence John McBrearty (USA), Margaret Cunningham (Cadzow), Carol McBreaty, Thomas McCarthy, Joanne Harrison.

**MONTH'S MINDS & ANNIVERSARIES:** Packy McGhee (Birmingham), Thomas Feenan, Catherine Coffey, Mary McCafferty, Hughie and Tom Boyle, Joseph Friary.

**SICK:** Liz Phillips, Maureen Thompson, Janette Connor, Mary Jackson, John Dobbin, Marie McDonald, Roseleen Daly-Higgins, Frank Cunningham, Theresa Gilgunn, Jean Reilly, Anne Rocks, Joseph Hawthorne.

**FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS:** Joanne Harrison's remains will be brought to the Church on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 6.00 pm. Her requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00 am.

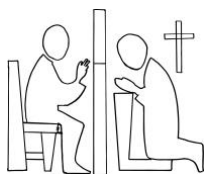


**LENT** begins on Ash Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March. Mass times will be 10.00 am and 7.00 pm with distribution of ashes at both Masses.

A programme of worship during Lent for the local Churches in the Wishaw area, will be published shortly. Hopefully, this will prevent services being duplicated at the same time in our Church. Here in St Patrick's during Lent, we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm with confessions ongoing during this time every Thursday.

## CONFESSIONS

During the Rosary on Thursday morning and 3.30 pm to 4.00 pm before the Vigil Mass



## PARISH INCOME

Parish income: £897.32

Sort Code: 80 12 97

Account number: 10243263

## Visit our Parish Website

[www.stpatricksshieldmuir.co.uk](http://www.stpatricksshieldmuir.co.uk)

Parish bulletins and other information will be uploaded here.

**Please get in touch with Fr Mallya if you have notices for the website.**



**Stations of the Cross** will follow at 7.00 pm.



Next Sunday a second collection will be taken up for the Sick and Retired Priests Fun

## BISHOP TOAL'S LENTEN MESSAGE

As we keep Ash Wednesday next week as a Day of Fasting and Abstinence, we resolve to mark the 40 Days of Lent well through the traditional disciplines of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. May the Lord strengthen our will to follow in his footsteps and to leave aside all sin and selfishness and to grow in faith, hope, and love. In this Jubilee Year we are Pilgrims of Hope, following the Lord's Way of the Cross through Lent in order to experience again the Joy of the Resurrection at Easter.

May the Lord be with you all and bless your Lenten Journey.

### ST PATRICK'S SENIOR CITIZENS' TREAT

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March our senior citizens are invited to the Hamilton Town House for a live performance of *Jesus Christ, Superstar*. This event is **free** to all. A £5.00 deposit will be taken but will be refunded on the day. The bus departs St Patrick's car park at 1.15 pm and the Show starts at 2.30 pm. The bus will depart Hamilton at 5.00 pm for a High Tea at Wishaw Golf Club around 6.00 pm. There are still some limited places available. Names and numbers to Linda Brown or Margaret Fox in the Stall at the back of the Church where there is also a poster with further details.



### NEW HALL COMMITTEE

A meeting in the Lesser Hall to plan the future of our Parish Hall will be held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 7.00 pm to form the new Hall Committee. We look forward to working with the many generous people who have volunteered to be involved and everyone will be encouraged to help in any way, big or small, in the running of the Hall. The response has been fantastic but, of course, we will welcome even more volunteers who might be willing to lend a hand. Please consider this carefully because we need your help to share the work and help make our Parish Hall the best in the Diocese! Please contact Fr Ricky directly as soon as possible or John McLelland 07906 871 664.

If you have, or intend to make, a booking, we really welcome this going forward. We ask you to be patient as we put together the new Hall Committee and remits are then taken up by the volunteers. Soon we hope to have arrangements in place where booking can be taken on a new dedicated phone and/or on-line. Hard copies of forms will be produced and made available soon.

**PIONEER APPEAL** Could you think about taking the short-term pledge for Lent which asks you to abstain from all intoxicating drink until Easter Sunday? Further information is available from The National Secretary, Susan McBridge on 01698 375950.

The Committee for Interreligious Dialogue at the Bishops' Conference will be hosting a Symposium at the Conforti Institute in Coatbridge on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> March 2025. Places are very restricted. Full details and link are provided on our Parish Website.

The Bishops' Conference of Scotland acknowledge the ministry of BEGINNING EXPERIENCE as assisting in the pastoral care of those suffering the bereavement of separation, divorce or widowhood. From the 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at Conforti Centre, Coatbridge, there will be a weekend for those suffering and alone in their loss, to help them deal with their feelings and begin to come to terms with their loss and grief. It also benefits their families. For details contact: Louise on 07926 571004, or email: [louisep398@gmail.com](mailto:louisep398@gmail.com). Applications must be returned by 21<sup>st</sup> March.

Join us for the Wellspring Parish Renewal Event The first Wellspring Parish Renewal gathering is just around the corner! Join us on Monday, 10th March at 7pm in St Bernadette's Parish Hall, Motherwell, where small parish groups, led by their clergy, will gather for a time of prayer, reflection, and discussion. Three parishes will share their renewal journey so far, and there will be time for reflection and discussion. If you would like to be part of this event, speak to your parish priest this week we would love to see you there!

### Lenten Appeal – Wee Boxes

As always at this time, we ask you to pick up one of the "Wee Boxes" at the back of the Church. Please use these to collect your donations which will support families caught up in conflict with essential food and water, provide safe places for children to play and give a home back to displaced people.

OUR CHARITY SHOP  
REOPENS THIS  
TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH  
FROM 11.00 am UNTIL  
2.00 pm. WE WILL  
ALSO BE OPEN AT THE  
SAME TIMES ON  
THURSDAYS. PLEASE  
COME ALONG AND SEE  
WHAT'S ON SALE.  
THERE ARE ALWAYS  
PLENTY OF BARGAINS

Please continue your support by bringing food items to go to the food bank for the area. These items can be left in the box at the back of Church before each Mass.