

LITURGICAL CALENDAR
ORDINARY TIME

The Ordinary Time of the Church's Year is devoted to the unfolding of the Mystery of Christ in all its aspects.

Green is the colour of the season. Our Sunday readings are from Year B, the year of Mark, and our weekday readings from Year 2.

WEDNESDAY
is ASH WEDNESDAY

THE SEASON OF LENT

LENT prepares for Easter, for the Lenten Liturgy disposes both the faithful AND CATCHUMENS TO CELEBRATE THE Paschal Mystery as the centre of the Liturgical year and of the Christian life. Purple is the colour of the season. Flowers are not used and musical instruments are only used to support the singing. The Gloria is omitted except on Solemnities and Feasts other than Sunday.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS
FEBRUARY 2018

Say "No" to Corruption: That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

PARISH PRAYERS

We pray for all who are ill or housebound: in particular, we remember:
Mairi Stewart,
Eugene MacMahon.

We pray for all who have died recently, R.I.P.:
Mary Westin, Donald John MacPhee, Bill Daisley, Rose Carter.

We remember those whose anniversaries are at this time, R.I.P.: Robert & Barbara Barbour, Duncan Osborne, Daniel Docherty, Donald Joseph MacDonald, May Kangley, Teddy Docherty, Alex McArthur, Mary McHugh, James Owens, Jean Owens, Meg Owens, Joseph Sinclair.

THE INNOCENTS

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6th. SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY MASS: Saturday Vigil; 7.00pm: Sunday; 9.00am, 11.00am & 7.00pm
Sunday Readings: 6th. Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
WEEKDAY MASS: Monday-Tuesday 10.00am:
ASH WEDNESDAY: 8.00am, 10.00am & 6.30pm
Thursday- Friday: 8.00am & 10.00am;
Saturday: 10.00am & 7.00pm
Weekday Readings: 6th. Week in Ordinary Time: Year 2
From Ash Wednesday: Season of Lent
Divine Office: 6th. Week in Ordinary Time: **Psalms:** Week 2.
From Ash Wednesday: Season of Lent: **Psalms:** Week 4
Eucharistic Adoration: Monday – Saturday, 9.00am–9.30am
Rosary: Each weekday 9.30am.
Penance & Reconciliation: Saturday; 9.30-9.50am & after Mass: 6.15-6.45pm.
Marriage: Please give at least 6 month's notice of Marriage.
Baptism: Sunday after 11.00am Mass.

TODAY'S LITURGY

1st Reading: Leviticus 13.1-2,44-46:

The leper must live apart: he must live outside the camp.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1:

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

THE GOSPEL: Mark 1.40-45:

The leprosy left him at once and he was cured.



Today's Liturgy: Jesus is alone in an unknown village. A leper does the unthinkable (and illegal) in approaching Jesus, asking to be cured. In reply Jesus does the unthinkable: he touches the leper. Under the Law, Jesus now takes on the condition of the leper, who is now clean. This is an indication of what Jesus' death will mean: changing places with sinful humanity.

LENT 2018

SCIAF WEE BOXES CAMPAIGN

Please remember to take away the SCIAF Wee Boxes for Lent. The focus this year is on the people of Cambodia.

LENTEN WEEKDAY MASS

During Lent we will have Mass each weekday at 8.00am & 10.00am, beginning on Thursday. For our Ash Wednesday schedule, see the box opposite.

The weekend schedule of Masses will remain as normal.

DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING for THE PEOPLE OF THE CONGO and SOUTH SUDAN

The Holy Father is asking us to hold a day of Prayer & Fasting on Friday 23rd. February for the peoples of these countries who are suffering much from violence and political tensions.

MAKING ALL THINGS NEW

Bishop John will celebrate Mass for our cluster on **Monday 19th. February at 7.00pm in St. Laurence's.** All are welcome to join in this celebration of Mass.

TODAY is the WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK

(it is usually the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes). We pray for all our sick and housebound and for everyone in hospital. We pray for all who care for those who are ill and housebound, our Doctors, nurses and social care workers. We remember families who care for sick relatives, and especially for children and young people who care for parents who are ill.

THANK YOU for your generosity in last week's **Offertory Collection** which came to £1,462.47 and for your contributions to the second collection for **SCES** which came to £343.47.

SECOND COLLECTION: NEXT WEEKEND for the Sick & Retired Priests of the Diocese.

**WEDNESDAY IS ASH WEDNESDAY,
The beginning of the Season of Lent.
A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE**

**Mass with the Distribution of Ashes
8.00am, 10.00am & 6.30pm**

Please remember that the Ashes are distributed during Mass, after the Gospel.

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY:
MASS at 8.00am & 10.00am**

CONGRATULATIONS to **Aaron Lenten Retreat** in St. Patrick's, who was baptised here last Coatbridge, on Tuesday 27th Sunday after 11.00am Mass. February at 7.00pm. Please remember him, and his contact Jim Brannigan on 07903 parents and sponsors in your 822 526 or Michael Reynolds on prayers. 725290.

TEAS & COFFEES Thank you for the £100 donated from teas & Coffees to the Lourdes Hospitalite. Thanks to all those who have volunteered to help with the Teas& Coffees in the Hall.

PIONEER TAA Next local meeting on Tuesday 20th February in Holy Rosary Residence at 7.00pm.

SVDP ANNUAL REPORT Our parish conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has produced a wee annual Report to let you know about its activities and about how your donations are used to assist others. Copies are available at the doors of the Church.