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Parish Priest: Canon James Duggan **Permanent Deacon:** Deacon Brian Mackenzie

Priest in Residence: Mgr. James Canon Cunningham (retired)

Liturgical Services

Mass times: Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm
 Sunday - 10.30am, 12.00noon & 5.30pm
 Weekdays - 10.00am

Confession: Thursday - 9:30-9:50am
 Saturday - 9:30-9:50am, 4:30-5:00pm & after 5pm Mass

Rosary: Weekdays - 9.35am

Exposition: Thursday - 10.30-11.30am

Legacies

When making a will, have you thought of leaving a legacy to the parish or diocese?

Gift Aid

If you pay tax, fill in a Gift Aid form and we get an extra 25% on top of your donation.

5th Sunday of Lent - Year C

INTRODUCTION

God is always doing something new – he is mercy and forgiveness for those who seek him. Today's psalm speaks of the *great things* that God has done. Among them is his giving us the promise to forgive all who come before him with true contrition and who seek his mercy. Through and in Jesus we have the ability to do this, and when we do, we allow God to “re-create” in us – to do something new in us.

OUR LENTEN SERVICES

During Lent we will have Mass on Mondays and Thursdays at 7.00pm in addition to the usual 10.00am weekday Mass. On Fridays we will have Stations of the Cross and Benediction at 7.00pm.

READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

This coming Tuesday, 9th April there will be a meeting for Readers from 7.00-7.30pm in the church. From 7.30-8.00pm there will be a half hour of prayer for both Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, then from 8.00-8.30pm, there will be a meeting for Eucharistic Ministers. Please try to attend if you can.

PALM SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and we will start at **10.15am** for the Procession around the grounds before the 10.30am Mass.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Leaflets containing details of times for Services over the Easter period are available in the porch. Please take one home with you.

VOLUNTEERS FOR HOLY WEEK

There are sheets in the porch for Eucharistic Ministers to put their name down if they are willing to assist at the Holy Week services. There is also a sheet for you to put your name down if you would be willing to take part in the Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday.

CHRISM MASS

Bishop John invites the Priests, Deacons, Religious and people of the Diocese to celebrate the Chrism Mass with him on Wednesday, 17th April at 7pm in St. Mirin's Cathedral. This celebration is a great opportunity for us to celebrate and express our faith together. During the Mass the Priests of the Diocese will renew their priestly commitment and the oils will be blessed for use in the celebration of the Sacraments throughout the Diocese in the coming year. Join Bishop John and our Clergy for refreshments in the hall after mass. All welcome.

PIETY STALL

Please take a few minutes to visit our Piety Stall. **Confirmation Date:** Thursday, 2nd May and **First Holy Communion Date:** Saturday, 18th May. We have in stock a range of beautiful adult and children's rosaries, communion and confirmation gifts and cards. Mass and sympathy cards, special intentions, thinking of you, new home, baby, christening, birthday and wallet gift cards are also available, all at reasonable prices.

COLLECTION

Many thanks for last week's collection which amounted to £1,965 and £1,777 for SCIAF and St Mirin's Fund. This weekend the second collection is for the Building Fund.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

New offertory envelopes are available for collection in the small hall after all the Masses this weekend. Please note due to the new data protection laws, there are no addresses on the boxes. Please make sure you pick up the correct one!

If you pay tax, please consider signing up to the Gift Aid Scheme. By doing this, the parish can claim an extra 25% on top of your donation. Thank you.

EASTER GARDEN / FLOWERS

We would really appreciate as many people and children to bring plants and flowers for the Easter Garden to highlight our Easter Season. Donations for flowers and plants would also be gratefully accepted. We need them on Holy Week to complete the displays.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Please note there will be no Children's Liturgy on Sunday, 7th April and 14th April as these dates fall within the school spring holiday. It will be on as usual on Easter Sunday. Children's Liturgy is open to all children who attend primary school. We meet in the church hall just before the 10.30am Mass each Sunday (during school term-time). The children re-join their families in the church at the Offertory.

RENFREWSHIRE FOOD BANK

Please see the letter of thanks on the noticeboard for our continuing support to the Foodbank.

UWS CHAPLAINCY

Our present program of Masses will be suspended until Monday, 15th April due to University holidays.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Come join our Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions in St. Francis Church, Port Glasgow. Holy Hour 2pm, Confessions 3pm, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3.45pm and Holy Mass 4.30pm. All welcome.

SAFEGUARDING

Volunteers doing or planning to do regulated work with children and vulnerable adults, or both, should complete the Level 1 Safeguarding Training. The next session will be held in the Diocesan Offices, Ince Street, on Tuesday, 30th April at 7.00pm. Please contact Sarah Jane at the Diocesan Safeguarding office on 0141 847 6138 or at safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk or to register.

NOTICES IN THE PORCH

St Margaret's Adoption Society - Find out more about adoption.

Fertility Care Scotland - Job Vacancy

The Marriage Counselling Service for Paisley Diocese

Stronghold Festival - For 18-25 year olds - 24th-27th May