

3 March 2024
Third Sunday in Lent. Year B

Holy Mass
9.00am, 11.00am & 4.30pm
Stations of the Cross 10.30am
Vespers & Benediction 5.30pm

Readings begin **page 158**

1st Reading:

Exodus 20: 1 - 17

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 18: 8 - 11

You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

2nd Reading:

1Corinthians 1: 22 - 25

Gospel Acclamation:

John 11: 25, 26

Praise to you, O Christ,
king of eternal glory!

I am the resurrection and the life,
says the Lord,
whoever believes in me will never die.

Praise to you, O Christ,
king of eternal glory!

Gospel:

Mark 9: 2 - 10

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Church open 8.00am - 7.00pm daily
Monday - Saturday

Monday 4 March

St Casimir

Holy Mass 5.45pm

with Devotions to St Philip Neri.

Followed by presentation by Henry
James Creechan.

Tuesday 5 March

Holy Mass 12.30pm

with prayers to Venerable Margaret
Sinclair for her cause

Wednesday 6 March

Exposition 11.30am : 12.15pm

Confessions 11.40am : 12.10pm

Holy Mass 12.30pm with Litany
to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday 7 March

St Perpetua & St Felicity

Holy Mass 12.30pm

Friday 8 March

St John of God

Exposition 11.30am : 12.15pm

Confessions 11.40am : 12.10pm

Holy Mass 12.30pm

Stations of the Cross
6.30pm

Saturday 9 March

St Frances of Rome

Lenten Talk 10.45am

Exposition 11.30am : 12.15pm

Confessions 11.40am : 12.10pm

Holy Mass 12.30pm

St Patrick's RC Church Edinburgh

National Shrine of Venerable Margaret Sinclair

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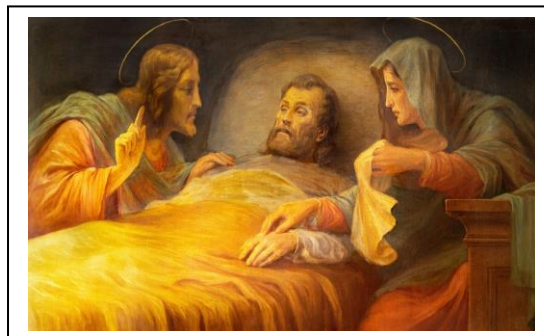
Dear Friends,

March is dedicated to Our Lady's spouse, St. Joseph. With the solemn feast of St. Joseph falling on March 19th in the Church's liturgical year, we celebrate St. Joseph's Day even when it falls during Lent. However, our attention will also be given to our patronal saint, St. Patrick, and we do hope you can come to Mass and lunch on the 16th March.

Have you ever thought that we use the intercession of the Saints in the distribution of graces and favours to us living on earth. Together with them, we appeal to God. We all have our own different Saint to go to, be it St Anthony, St Philomena et cetera. It also must be said that Our Lady and St Joseph have a universal mission on earth and in heaven. Therefore, we must have a special devotion to them.

In this Month of March and with our Triduum to St Joseph coming up soon, it is time to renew our love and devotion towards this great Saint. So let us go with confidence to St Joseph to share with him our daily life and needs, spiritual and temporal: he will help us at the proper time.

Let us go with confidence to St Joseph to teach us the true devotion to Mother Mary: he will introduce us to her in the most delicate way and will open to our eyes and heart the marvels of her Immaculate Heart.



Our Lord commanded us, "Learn from me, because I am meek, and humble of heart: and you shall find rest to your souls" (Mt. 11:29).

Where did Our Lord learn of those virtues of meekness and humility? Of course, from Saint Joseph.

Give time to Saint Joseph this Lent and find out about or discover once again, the seven Sorrows and seven Joys of St Joseph.

In Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Fr Gerard

The flowers that will decorate our church at Easter are a sign of our joy in the Resurrection of Christ and our hope in the resurrection of those who have gone before us. We invite you to remember deceased members of your family and friends with a donation for Easter Flowers. Please put your names in an envelope and return it with your offering **on Sunday 17 March**. The names of those received will appear in the Easter Newsletter. Many thanks in advance.

Our appeal for **Seminarians for Holy Week** continues Thank you for your kindness.

We celebrate the **Patronal Feast of St Patrick** at 12.30pm on Saturday 16th March before moving on to Lauriston Hall, for a light lunch and entertainment from 2.30pm. Sign-up sheets close on Saturday 9 March. Tickets £5.00 each available, from the shop.

Finance:**Collections**

18 February

GA: £ 180.00

NGA £ 545.53



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You may wish to consider taking out a standing order for your weekly / monthly contribution, in this case, the parish account details are:

St Patricks Church
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Sort code: 80-02-29
Account No: 00687306

A notice for university students, if you have not yet been confirmed or would like more catechesis, please let Father Gerard or Father Ninian know.

Please pray for **the people of Bethlehem** and the **Holy Land**.

Pro-Life White Flower Appeal at every Mass today 3 March.

SCIAF Lenten Wee Box packs still available at the shop.

Confessions take place before, during & after Holy Mass whenever there is a priest available.

The Edinburgh Jesuit Centre is offering a retreat in daily life for Lent, '**Pathways Through the Desert**', in partnership with St Paul and St George Episcopal Church, York Place. It runs weekly to Sunday 24 March. Participants are asked to set aside some time each day for prayer (20-30 minutes) and to meet once a week with their individual prayer guide. For more information email ejcretreats@jesuit.org.uk

Join people across the Archdiocese each Monday throughout Lent for our annual **Stations of the Cross**. It takes place on Zoom at 7:45pm and lasts around 30 minutes. We will be praying for unborn children, their mothers, and all pro-life intentions. Register at bit.ly/lentstations

Join Canon Hugh White each week in Lent as he reflects on the '**Challenge of the Gospel**', in weekly videos posted each Monday on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel: bit.ly/ArchYouTube

A Remembering Service for those who have suffered the loss of a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, together with those who wish to come in love and support, to have time in quiet surroundings to fully recognise their loss and help with healing. today 3 March, 5:00pm at St John the Baptist RC Church, Edinburgh.

Ecumenical and open to all.

If you are involved with RCIA, children's liturgy, sacramental preparation, or any other catechist role, please register for the Archdiocesan **Day for Catechists** at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on Saturday 9 March from 10:30am-3:00pm. While the day is aimed at Catechists, all are welcome.

Visit <https://bit.ly/dayforcatechists>

A forum on Catholic Social Teaching and Poverty titled '**Pathways of Hope**' takes place on Saturday 16 March 10:30am-3:00pm at The Gillis Centre Edinburgh. Register at bit.ly/pathwaysofhopeevent

Join other young Catholic women to chat and **explore God's will** in monthly get-togethers in Edinburgh. Led by Sr Mirjam Hugens FSO, the third meeting takes place 17 March, 4.00-7.00pm at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh. To register or for more information email religiousvocations@staned.org.uk

Called to be Saints - Youth Day: A day of inspiration, friendship and prayer for S1-S4 pupils that asks the question, *What does it take to be a saint in the modern world?* Run by Fr Robert Taylor and Fr Martin Eckersley, featuring talks from guests including television presenter Judith Ralston. It takes place on Saturday 23 March, from midday to 4:00pm at The Gillis Centre, Edinburgh. Register your child for this FREE event at bit.ly/calledtobesaints

If you attend Sunday Mass regularly at St Patrick's, and have not already done so, please complete and return a **Parish Registration Form** (available at the shop).

Should you come regularly to St Patrick's and pay income tax you may make your donation/contribution via:

- a. **Gift Aid envelopes** (new envelopes available from April 24) or
- b. **Standing Order** through your bank (parish bank details can be found in the newsletter)

Those involved in the Ministry of Liturgical Readers, and anyone interested in becoming a reader are invited to a meeting in the Memorial Room at 2.00pm on Saturday 9 March.

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