# 31 March 2024 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord. Year B

Holy Mass 9.00am, 11.00am & 4.30pm Benediction immediately after the 4.30pm Mass

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1st Reading:

Acts 10: 34, 37 - 43

**Responsorial Psalm:** 

Psalm 117

This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad.

2nd Reading:

Colossians 3: 1 - 4 or 1Corinthians 5: 6 - 8

**Gospel Acclamation:** 

2Corinthians 5: 7 - 8 Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast, in the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel:

John 20: 1 - 9

#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Church open 8.00am - 7.00pm daily Monday - Saturday

Monday 1 April

Holy Mass 5.45pm with Devotions to St Philip Neri. After Mass, Brothers of the Little Oratory meet in the parish house.

**Tuesday 2 April** 

Holy Mass 12.30pm with prayers to Venerable Margaret Sinclair for her cause

Wednesday 3 April

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

Thursday 4 April

Holy Mass 12.30pm

Friday 5 April

Exposition 11.30am: 12.15pm

Benediction 12.15pm

Confessions 11.40am: 12.10pm

Holy Mass 12.30pm

Saturday 6 April

Exposition 11.30am: 12.15pm

Benediction 12.15pm

Confessions 11.40am: 12.10pm

Holy Mass 12.30pm

Confessions available before every service, (during & afterwards when priest is available).

#### St Patrick's RC Church Edinburgh

National Shrine of Venerable Margaret Sinclair

#### Served by

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Dear Friends,

At the vigil of Easter, we will have heard the ancient hymn of praise Exsultet named after its first word "Exsultet" "Rejoice!". It has its origins in the 4th and 5th centuries and the text was written at some time between the 5th and 7th centuries. It was also, known as the Laus Cerei – the "praise for the candle" as it is a prayer of blessing.

In the modern Roman Rite, we call it the Praeconium Paschale the "Easter Proclamation". Its very purpose is to remind all Creation and Mother Church to raise a song of praise. This sung prayer recounts the wonders of the saving work of Christ, whose new and risen light, shines in the darkness, so the Candle also represents our parish's praise in the Risen Lord.



Thank you, Rory, for your wonderful work in coming up with the design and painting it. The whole candle this year reminds us of our church dedicated to Saint Patrick in this special year, with Celtic style Cross and Our Lady's initials.

Again and again, the prayer tells of Christ's work, which comes to completion on this night of Easter, drawing much of its symbolism from the Old Testament. "May this flame be found still burning by the Morning Star: the one Morning Star who never sets," Christ, especially in our parish in this coming year.

This week has truly deepened our faith that Jesus is truly risen, and having conquered death, invites us to share in His risen life. May the Easter Liturgy help us understand and appreciate more deeply the Paschal Mystery, the times of dying and rising to new life in Christ.

May Fr Ninian and myself wish you all, our parishioners and friends, a very happy and blessed Eastertide. *Fr Gerard* 



Thank you to all who have helped to make our celebrations of the Holy Week and Easter Liturgies an expression of our parish giving to God all our talents and offerings. Thanks to all the volunteers who have contributed generously to the Liturgies throughout Holy Week and including the Masses on Easter Sunday! This includes welcomers, readers, musicians, florists, Altar servers, extraordinary ministers, money counters, sacristans, cleaners and all who helped in the preparations for the Easter liturgies.

## Finance: Collections

24 March

GA: £ 240.00 NGA £ 567.69



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

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

Easter Remembrance: In loving memory of Teresa and Patrick Boyle & Family, Elizabeth Boyle, Eileen McCallum, Agnes & Ninian Jamieson, Pauline Mary Elston (née Sollis), John McCloskey, Ina McCloskey (née Lynch), Marlies Märler, Otto Werner, Horst Märler, Frieda Fernau, August Fernau and deceased members of the McCaskey, Hunt, Gibson & Rowan families

Divine Mercy Novena after every Mass in the Octave

For your information

- Father Ninian will be absent from the parish from 6 April - 6 May.
- 2. Fr Peter Kelly will celebrate all Wednesday Masses in April.
- 3. During April, **Adoration every Friday** not Wednesday.
- 4. **Fr Peter Kelly** will celebrate the Monday Friday Masses in the first week of May.

If you attend Sunday Mass regularly here at St Patrick's please complete a **Parish Registration Form** (available at the shop). Thank you.

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 2024) Should you wish to begin using collection envelopes please speak to Marion so that parish records can be updated.
- b. **Standing Order** through your bank (parish bank details can be found in the newsletter)

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