

4 February 2024
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.
Year B

Holy Mass
9.00am, 11.00am & 4.30pm

Readings begin **page 134**

1st Reading:

Job7: 1 - 4, 6 - 7

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 146: 1 - 6

Praise the Lord who heals the
broken hearted,

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 9: 16 -19, 22 - 23

Gospel Acclamation:

John 8: 12

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world,
says the Lord,

anyone who follows me
will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

Gospel:

Mark 1: 29 - 39

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Church open 8.00am - 7.00pm daily
Monday - Saturday

Monday 5 February

St Agatha

Holy Mass 5.45pm
with Devotions to St Philip Neri

Tuesday 6 February

St Paul Miki and Companions

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

Wednesday 7 February

No Exposition today, visiting Priest.
Confessions before Mass

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

Thursday 8 February

Holy Mass 12.30pm

Friday 9 February

Holy Mass 12.30pm

Saturday 10 February

St Scholastica

Exposition 11.30am : 12.15pm

Confessions 11.40am : 12.10pm

Holy Mass 12.30pm

Confessions

Take place before, during and after
Holy Mass whenever there is a
priest available.

St Patrick's RC Church Edinburgh

National Shrine of Venerable Margaret Sinclair

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Dear Friends,

February 11th is the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes.

This title and apparition of our Blessed Mother holds a special place in many hearts including my own as my vocation is a gift from her, she pointed me to her Son and His priesthood. It was at Lourdes that Our Lady called herself "The Immaculate Conception" What can we learn from her?

Our Lady asked St. Bernadette, then still a very young girl who knew poverty was asked to assist the poor of heart by especially "praying for the conversion of sinners." Bernadette did not understand what that meant, and when she would ask, Our Lady would just smile.

What innocence she had! But she did what she was asked to do and prayed.

Do we pray, on a frequent basis, for the conversion of sinners? Some might say: "But we are all sinners" and we are. So, we need to pray for ourselves, and all our fellow men and women who are caught up in the mess of sin. But we know that Our Lord Jesus Christ died for all of us that He suffered and died to redeem us from all of our sins; so, there is hope!

But you and I have to do our part, we have to cooperate with Him by praying for those who are still caught up in it, by offering sacrifices for their conversion, and we have to be willing to speak the truth with love, to help them to know that there is freedom from any kind of sin if we turn to the Lord Jesus for His Mercy.

May each, and every one of us grow daily in love for Our Lord and our response to the call of His Merciful Love to lead us to true freedom and from the slavery of sin! Knowing that we are all in need of his mercy. Our Lady points us to Him and points us to help others to find Christ in their life.

On Saturday 10th after Holy Mass at 12.30 we have blessings of the sick from the ritual and individual blessing beside the statute of our Lady of Lourdes. If you are ever in need of the anointing of the Sick because you are seriously ill, or have an operation scheduled we are always available. Just let us know.

On Sunday the 11th February after 4.30pm Mass we will have a candlelit procession to honour Our Lady of Lourdes, to pray for the conversion of sinners and the sick of our parish finishing with Benediction

Please pray for the success of this year's Archdiocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes that it will be a time of grace and fraternal love.

Our Lady of Lourdes
Pray for us.

Fr Gerard



Finance: Collections

28 January

GA: £ 201.00

NGA £ 556.91

Crib Offerings

£ 18.62



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St Patrick's Church
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Lourdes Mass: The February Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes takes place at 3pm today (4 February) at St John the Baptist Church, 37 St Ninian's Road, Corstorphine, EH12 8AL. The Mass is organised by the Edinburgh Lourdes Pilgrimage team. Refreshments in hall afterwards. All welcome.

The Archdiocesan Valentine's Retreat for Married and Engaged couples **will take place at St Kentigern's Church, Parkgrove Avenue, Barnton, Edinburgh, on Saturday 10 February 2024.** It is an ideal way for couples to spend time together in quiet reflection and prayer, in thanksgiving to God for each other and all the positive things that spring from your relationship. Creche available for children of primary school age and older. Register at <https://bit.ly/valretreat>

World Day of the Sick, 11 February was introduced by Pope St John Paul II to help us remember to pray for all those who are ill and for their caregivers. He chose this day because it coincides with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Lourdes being a place of pilgrimage renowned for healing. Please pray for the sick of our parish and the family members, friends and professionals who help them.

Free Places at the SPUC Youth Conference! 23rd - 25th February 2024 at Yarnfield Park Training Centre in Stone, Staffordshire ST15 0NL. The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child brings together 200 young people to learn effective strategies to fuel your passion for defending the most vulnerable among us – unborn children and their mothers. The Archdiocese has five fully funded places available.

To apply: prolife@staned.org.uk

Thinking about a vocation to the religious life? 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 next meeting takes place on Sunday 25 February, 4-7pm at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street. It is a chance to pray, share and discuss in a relaxed environment, and refreshments will be served. The series continues each month at the same time/venue: 17 Mar, 21 Apr, 12 May & 22 June. To register or find out more, please email religiousvocations@staned.org.uk

SCIAF Lenten Wee Box Big Change Appeal: Put your faith into action and support this year's Appeal. Packs available Sunday 11th February. Thank you.

Contemplation and the Carthusians public lecture by Canon Gribbin for the Thomistic Institute Thursday 8th Feb 7.30pm at 40 George Square Lecture Theatre A, drinks reception afterwards 23 George Square.

Mass Intentions

04 February	9.00am	People of the Parish	
04 February	11.00am	Anonymous	Special Intention
04 February	4.30pm	Anne Devine	Recent Death
05 February	5.45pm	Sr Bredan & Sr Patricia	RIP
06 February	12.30pm	Anonymous	Thanksgiving for favour received from Venerable Margaret Sinclair
07 February	12.30pm	Anne Monaghan	Anniversary
08 February	12.30pm	Liam	Special Intention
09 February	12.30pm	Anonymous	Special Intention
10 February	12.30pm	Sr Ursula, Little Sister of the Poor	

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