

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B), 25th FEBRUARY 2024

"GOD DID NOT SPARE HIS OWN SON BUT GAVE HIM UP TO BENEFIT US ALL" (ROMANS 8:32).

SAINT MARY, STAR OF THE SEA

28 GREENOCK ROAD, LARGS, KA30 8NE

&

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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Holy Mass (all Masses in person & live-streamed):

Largs: Saturday Vigil, 6pm; Sunday, 10am.

Weekday Mass, 10am, Mon-Fri, except 2nd Thursdays.

Holidays of Obligation: Vigil, 7pm; Day Mass at 10am only.

Millport: Sunday, 12.15pm; 2nd Thursdays, 10am.

Holidays of Obligation, 12.15pm only.

Sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession:

Largs: Saturdays, 5-5.45pm; During Lent: After 10am Mass on

Mon, Wed, Thus & Fri, unless a funeral

Millport: After 10am Mass every 2nd Thursday.

Eucharistic Adoration & Prayers for Vocations to the Priesthood

on Mondays at 2pm, Largs (Hall).

Charismatic Prayer Meeting on Fridays at 2pm, Largs (Hall).

Prayer Line: Please ring 07746 923 680 for prayerful support.

Tea & Coffee in St. Mary's Hall after Sunday 10am Mass

Sick: Margaret Gallagher, Helen McShane, Colette McCafferty, Bruce McDougall, Jessie Clements, May Holland, Eithne Brown, Mary Lyden, Ylena Green, Mary Boyce, Hugh Millar, Anton McCann, Rena Lee, Jim Lee, Brian Gilligan, Liam McDermott, Frank McCarthy, Baby Ethan Ferguson, Harry Sammons, Henry McMonagle, Joseph Bennett, Margaret Bennett, Elizabeth Robertson, Barry Smith, Natasha McNicol, Suzanne Kelly, Margaret Fitzpatrick, William McGrath, Cathie Docherty, Mgr. Thomas Canon Egan, Kenneth Collins, Mary McCaffrey, Margaret Maguire, Margaret MacMillan, Betty O'Donnell, Linda Scott, Ann Clark, Fr. Eamonn Flynn, Mary McQueen, Esther Murphy, Bill Callison, Sheila Davidson, Sheila Ferguson, Sandra Canning, Kristine Wallace, Freeda Gutherze, Bella White, Jordan McGhee, Frank Murray, Deborah Mulqueen, John Harkin, Jim Gallagher, Elaine Peebles, Sister Margaret Murphy, Brian Bryceland. **Recently Deceased:** Anna Morrison, Andrew Somerville, Ivor Laughlan, Francesca Peppin, Tom McCahill. **Anniversary of Death:** Desmond Black, Eddie McCarthy, Jemima McLaren, Assunta Deans, Gino Capocchi, Domenico Fontana.

Psalm Response: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

PLEASE TURN OFF MOBILE PHONES!

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

| SUNDAY, Year B | WEEKDAY, Year II |
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| COMMEMORATION | READINGS & MASS INTENTION |
| 25/2: Second Sunday of Lent (B) - purple | Proper Ian Catterson, A (6pm Vig) All Parishioners (10am) Margaret Airlie, RD (12.15pm) |
| 26/2: Lenten Feria | Lent, Week 2, Mon David Donald, D |
| 27/2: Lenten Feria | Lent, Week 2, Tue Winifred Boyce, D, & James Fitzpatrick, D |
| 28/2: Lenten Feria | Lent, Week 2, Wed Gino Capocchi, A |
| 29/2: Lenten Feria | Lent, Week 2, Thu Domenico Fontana, A |
| 1/3: Lenten Feria First Friday | Lent, Week 1, Fri Valentine Manners, D |
| 2/3: Lenten Feria | --- |
| 3/3: Third Sunday of Lent (B) - purple | Proper Gordon Lennie, D (6pm Vig) All Parishioners (10am) Andrew Somerville, RD (12.15pm) |

A = Anniversary of Death; RD = Recently Deceased; D = Deceased; S = Sick; SI = Special Intention; RIP = Requiem Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

| Day | Largs | Millport |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------|
| Sunday | --- | 4-5pm (S) |
| Monday | 9.20-9.55am (R) 2-3pm (R) (H) | --- |
| Tuesday For Lent only | 9.20-9.55am (R) 6.30-7.30pm (S) | --- |
| Wednesday | 9.20-9.55am (R) | --- |
| Thursday 1, 3, 4 (& 5) | 9.20-9.55am (R) | --- |
| Every Thursday | --- | 1.45pm (R) |
| Thursday 1 only | 6.30-8pm (R) | --- |
| Thursday 2 only | --- | 9-9.55am (R) |
| Friday | 9.20-9.55am (R) | --- |
| 2 nd Saturday only | 5-5.45pm (S) | --- |

S = Silent; R = Rosary; H = Hall

Please note: no adoration or rosary prior to a funeral.

NOTICES

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE (St. Mary's): Thursday 21st March at 2pm, with 4 priests in attendance. I encourage all parishioners to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation somewhere before Easter. The whole purpose of Lent is to bring us to experience the power of Christ freeing us from sin by his death and resurrection.

LITURGY THIS WEEK: The Gospel themes for this coming week are: forgive that you may be forgiven (Mon); reject hypocrisy and embrace humility (Tue); to follow Jesus means to serve Him and others (Wed); overcome any apathy or indifference to the needs and sufferings of others (Thu); the tragedy of the rejection of Christ by those who ought most to have believed in Him (Fri). So, the graces the Word offers us this week are to become more and more forgiving, humble, serving, selfless and warm-hearted in welcoming the Lord!

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SILENT LENTEN ADORATION: Tuesday evenings from 6.30-7.30pm.

BOOK CLUB (St. Mary's): Tuesday 27th February at 2pm.

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS (St. Mary's): As in previous years, parish groups are invited to lead the Via Crucis on the Fridays of Lent at 7pm. The dates are as follows:

| Date | Leader |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 st March | Legion of Mary |
| 8 th March | Pro-Life Group |
| 15 th March | Choir |
| 22 nd March | Fairlie Parishioners |
| 29 th March | Fr. Peter |

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Millport): Thursdays of Lent after the Rosary at 1.45pm.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: The Fridays of Lent (except Good Friday). There will be Exposition from 2.30-3.30pm, with the Chaplet being recited at 3pm, the Hour of Christ's death.

DRAW OF TICKETS FOR BISHOP DOUGAN: The draw for the tickets to attend the two events associated with the ordination and arrival of the new Bishop in the Diocese will be made publicly, in Largs, after the 10am Mass on Thursday 29th February and, in Millport, after the 12.15pm Mass on Sunday 25th February.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, 1st MARCH: This important annual event will be held in Largs at 2pm in the Brisbane Evangelical Church, and in Millport, also at 2pm, in the Cathedral of the Isles (with refreshments afterwards). This year's service has been written by Palestinian women.

PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER: Our next Pilgrimage station will be a workshop on Prayer and Sacred Art in the church hall on Saturday 2nd March at 2pm.

THE WHITE FLOWER APPEAL: The Pro-Life group would like to thank both Parishes for their enthusiastic and generous response to The White Flower Appeal. A combined total of £979.44 from both parishes will be given to SPUC as a result. We were greatly encouraged by your support and reaction to John Deighan's inspirational and thought-provoking talk.

ST. MARY'S PARISH LENT COURSE: Entitled, "Living the Christian Faith in the World", the course sessions take place on the Thursday evenings during Lent, from 7.30-9pm. For more information, please contact Gordon McMillan Tel. 07977 403462, email gordonmcmillan7@gmail.com

PARISH SAFEGUARDING TEAM (St. Mary's): Meeting at 7.30pm in the parish hall on Tuesday 27th February. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.30pm for PST members and also for any parishioner who wishes.

PARISH FESTIVAL, 16-29 SEPTEMBER 2024 (St. Mary's): Please get in touch directly with Celia Lewis if you wish to contribute in any minor or major way to the Festival. Contact Celia on: cecilylewislargs17@gmail.com

CHANA (St. Mary's): For the next three weeks we will be collecting toiletries for those who are homeless. We need soap, Shampoo, body wash, disposable razors, toothpaste and toothbrushes, please. There is a box at the back of the church for these. Thank you.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURNS' SUMMARY: At the back of both churches, parishioners can obtain a summary of the income and expenditure for the year 2023. The summaries can also be found on the parish website by clicking the respective links under "Notices." At all Masses this weekend, I will make my annual statement on parish finances.

ST. MARY'S PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

| Description | Where | Day | Time |
|---|--------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Exposition, Mass & Confessions | Church | Mon, 26 th | 9.20am 10am 10.40am |
| Rosary Vocations Group | Hall | Mon, 26 th | 2pm |
| Country Dancing | Hall | Mon, 26 th | 7.30pm |
| Exposition, Mass | Church | Tues, 27 th | 9.20am 10am |
| Book Club | Hall | Tues, 27 th | 2pm |
| Silent Exposition | Church | Tues, 27 th | 6.30- 7.30pm |
| Parish Safeguarding Team | Hall | Tues, 27 th | 7.30pm |
| Exposition, Mass & Confessions | Church | Wed, 28 th | 9.20am 10am 10.40am |
| Chat N Do | Hall | Wed, 28 th | 1pm |
| Exposition, Mass & Confessions | Church | Thurs, 29 th | 9.20am 10am 10.40am |
| Sycamore | Hall | Thurs, 29 th | 7.30pm |
| Exposition, Mass & Confessions | Church | Fri, 1 st | 9.20am 10am 10.40am |
| Charismatic Prayer Group | Hall | Fri, 1 st | 1.30pm |
| World Day of Prayer | BEC | Fri, 1 st | 2pm |
| Exposition & Divine Mercy Chaplet | Church | Fri, 1 st | 2.30pm |
| Stations of the Cross | Church | Fri, 1 st | 7pm |
| Prayer Pilgrimage: Sacred Art and Prayer | Hall | Sat, 2 nd | 2pm |

Penitential Service is on 21st March.
Palm Sunday is on 24th March.
Holy Thursday is on 28th March.
Good Friday is on 29th March.
Easter Sunday is on 31st March.