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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord [C]

17th April 2022

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St. Peter in Chains: Saturday between 4.45pm-5.15pm.

St. Bride's: Friday between 11am-12noon And by request.

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Mustard Seeds

† The Alphabet Prayer

Every child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged with man. Now the story goes, a little shepherd boy was watching his sheep one Easter Sunday morning and he heard the bells of the church ringing. And watching the people walk along the pasture where he was, he happened to think to himself, "I would like to talk with God! But, what can I say to God?" He had never learned a prayer. So, on bended knee, he began to recite the alphabet. Repeating this prayer several times, a man passing by, heard the boy's voice and peaked through the bushes. He saw the young boy kneeling with folded hands, eyes closed, repeating the alphabet. He interrupted the boy. "What are you doing?" he asked. The boy replied, "I was praying sir." The man seemed surprised and said, "But why are you reciting the alphabet?" The boy explained, "I don't know any prayers, sir. But I want God to take care of me, and to help me care for my sheep. And so I thought, if I said all I knew, He could put the letters together into words, and He would know all that I want and should say!" The man smiled and said, "Bless your heart, God

will!" And he went on to church knowing full well that he had heard the finest Easter sermon he could possibly hear that day. Maybe if we thought like little children and let God put together the letters, what we should want, and what we should say, things would probably work out a lot better than we planned!



A Blessed and Happy Easter to one and all!

Nicene Creed (for Eastertide)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

Through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

All bow: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

He suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen

Octave of Easter [C] 2022				
St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk Father Duncan McVicar Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed Masses may be subject to change		Fr. Duncan McVicar assisted by Fr. Gerry Hamill (Retired)	www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com Canon Martin Poland assisted by Sr Marie Monique, Sr Ursula and Canon Matt McManus (Retired)	
		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Holy Saturday 16 th April	Easter Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord Mass at 8.30pm (Liturgy of Light)	Easter Vigil Mass at 7pm	Morning Prayer at 10am Easter Vigil Mass at 8.30pm	NO 4.30pm VIGIL MASS
Sunday 17 th April	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Mass at 10.30am Offered for our Parishes, Francis McEvoy (A), Francis Smith (A)	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 18 th April	Octave of Easter Mass at 10am Offered for Debbie Roy (MM), Mary Best (RD) Reception of Anne McLaren at 3.30pm			
Tuesday 19 th April	Requiem Mass for Anne McLaren Mass at 10am	Adoration 9.30am Mass at 10am Bernard Watson (MM)		Eucharistic Service at 10am
Wednesday 20 th April	Octave of Easter Mass at 10am Offered for Theresa McCann (RD), Jim McEwan (SI)		Eucharistic Service at 10am	Funeral Mass at 10am Corry Ferguson
Thursday 21st April	Octave of Easter Mass at 10am Offered for Duncan Lyon (A), Noelle Collins (A)			Mass at 9.30am (L)
Friday 22 nd April	Octave of Easter Mass at 10am Offered for Anne McLaren (MM), Andy Dougan (A), Margaret Kelly (RD)	Adoration 11.30am Mass 12 noon	Eucharistic Service at 10am	Funeral Mass at 10am Elizabeth Burns
Saturday 23 rd April	2 nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Marie Louise Paterson (SI), Philomena Doherty (A), John Maher (A)			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

The Message of Easter

Jesus is nowhere visible. Yet the Easter Gospel tells us that Peter and John "saw and believed. What did they see? Burial shrouds lying on the floor of an empty tomb. But notice the repetition of the word "tomb"—seven times in nine verses. They saw the empty tomb and they believed what He had promised: that God would raise Him on the third day. Chosen to be His "witnesses," the Apostles were "commissioned to preach and testify to all that they had seen—from His anointing with the Holy Spirit at the Jordan to the empty tomb. We are the children of the apostolic witnesses. That is why we still gather on the first day of every week to celebrate this feast of the empty tomb and give thanks for Christ our life. Baptised into His death and Resurrection, we live the heavenly life of the risen Christ. We are now His witnesses, too. But we testify to things we cannot see but only believe; we seek in earthly things what is above. We live in memory of the Apostles' witness, like them eating and drinking with the risen Lord at the altar. And we wait in hope for what the Apostles told us would come—the day when we too "will appear with Him in glory."



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Janet Brown, Jim Boyle, Harry Sammons, Shaun Galloway, Frances McGuire.

+ Those who have died recently:

Anne McLaren, Mary Best, Theresa McCann, Margaret Kelly.

+ Those who died at this time of Year:

Patrick Kelly 1989, Lucia Valenti 1972, Rose Walker 1985, Jack Conlan 2013, Robert Ferguson 2021,
Nathan Murray-Collier 2005, Ellen Reilly 1954, Eileen Watkins 2015, Jean Wylie, Francis Clark 1953,
Helen Clark 1973, Hugh McGinn 2013, Kelly Smith 2007, Norma Clarke 2018, John Patrick Collins 2012,
Rose Folan 2012, Patrick Haggarty 2017, George Monaghan 2004, Margaret McCarroll 2015, Patsy McDonald 1993,
Frank Coulter 2018, Guilia Marchetti 1998, Justine McAllister 2000, Brian O'Reilly 1993, Robert Stevenson 2021,
Mary McCluskey 1980, Bessie Murphy 2008.

St. Bride's & St. Peter's Notices

- ▶ REQUIEM MASS FOR ANNE MCLAREN Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Anne McLaren who died on 22nd March 2022, aged 74 years. Her Reception into Church will be on Monday, 18th April at 3.30pm. Her Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday, 19th April at 10am and Interment at Ardrossan Cemetery afterwards. Her Month's Mind Mass will be on Friday, 22nd April at 10am. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.
- ▶ CONGRATULATIONS TO LORRAINE CORRIGAN This Sunday on Easter Sunday the Parishioners of St Bride's warmly welcome Lorraine Corrigan into the community of our World Wide Catholic Church. Everyone present on Sunday is invited to share in light refreshments after Mass and meet Lorraine. Bless her.
- ► SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM We welcome to the Family of the Church Frances Grace Monan who will be baptised on Tuesday, 19th April; Harper Milligan Richardson on Saturday, 23rd April; Ojiugo Alum also on Saturday, 23rd April. Congratulations to their parents and Godparents.
- ▶ **EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR UKRAINE** Please give as generously as you can to our appeal for Ukraine. There are designated collection buckets around the Church at St Peter's. Thank you for your support and generosity!
- ▶ MARYS MEALS We would like to inform you that after much consideration Mary's Meals have taken the difficult decision to end the Backpack Project. Due to logistical problems and increased transportation costs they feel it is no longer sustainable. They wish to focus on feeding the many hungry children living in the world's poorest countries with a nutritious meal each school day. We would like to thank everyone, who over the past years, has helped us fill & send nearly 3,000 backpacks. We would also like to assure you that any money left in our funds and any future money donations will be forwarded to Marys Meals to help them in this very important work.
- ► CHANA Churches Homeless Action North Ayrshire with your support, we arranged for every child who is in supported accommodation in North Ayrshire to receive an Easter egg this Easter 70 in all. Thank you.

FAMILY DAY FUN

Family Easter Day - Easter Monday, 18th April from 2-4pm - All families welcome for Easter fun, crafts and Egg Hunt! It will take place in St. Peter's Church Hall. We hope you can join us for community fun, celebrating the joy of the risen Christ!

Preparation Packs - now available!

We now have as a Parish a Baptism Preparation Pack and a Marriage Preparation Pack on our website. If contains all the basic information needed for Baptism and Weddings. If you know of any family planning a Baptism soon or a Wedding, please refer them to the website so that they can download the relevant information.

Catholic Trivia - Did you know?

"Saluting Our Lady" - At Winchester, Wykehamist scholars once doffed their hats in respect to the statue of Our Lady and the Christ Child, before entering the Middle Gate. Commoners did not. Today, the custom continues despite the empty niche, where once stood Our Lady. "Touch Wood" - This is a saying which has remained popular. It originated from the touching of the wood of the true Cross, the most prized relic. By tradition the wood of the Cross was from the aspen tree, which is why the aspen always trembles.

Just for a Laugh... A little girl asked her mother, "How were people born?" So her mother said, "God created Adam and Eve and then they made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on" The little girl then went to his father, asked him the same question and he told her, "We were monkeys and then we evolved to become like we are now." The little girl ran back to her mother and said, "You are telling me two different things" Her mother replied, "Look, actually we are both right. I was talking about my side of the family and your dad was talking about his side of the family."

EASTER WATER AFTER MASS TODAY

You are welcome to collect the Holy Water, blessed at Easter in the Sanctuary and take home to bless your house. Small bottles are available after Mass today.

EASTER PRAYER

Do not look forward to the changes and chances of this life in fear. Rather look at them with full hope that, as they arise, God, whose you are, will deliver you out of them. He has kept you hitherto; do you but hold fast to His dear hand, and He will lead you safely through all things; and when you cannot stand, He will bear you in His arms. Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow. The same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow, and every day. Either He will shield you from suffering, or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.

[St Frances de Sales]

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The digital Holy Week and April issues of Magnificat are now available, free, at the following link: www.magnificat.com/april. This gives us all the information, prayers and readings for the Holy Week and Easter.

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