



**21ST APRIL 2024
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR B**



**ST. COLUMBA'S
MASS TIMES:**

Sunday:
Vigil 4.30pm & 9.45am

Weekdays: 10.00am;
Tuesday & Friday

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION:**
On request

COLLECTION:
Offertory - £512.00

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ST JAMES' - All Masses from St James
are live streamed.

**ST. JAMES'
MASS TIMES:**

Sunday:
11.00am & 7.15pm

Weekdays: 10.00am;
Monday, Thursday &
Saturday

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION:**
Thursday and Saturday
after the 10am Mass

COLLECTION:
Offertory - £642.00

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

FIRST READING: Acts 4:8-12
The name of Jesus Christ is the only name in which we can be saved

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-2
We shall be like God because we shall see him as he really is

GOSPEL : John 10:11-18
The Good Shepherd is the one who lays down his life for his sheep

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM;
The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone

Jesus said: 'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. 'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd. 'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Thank you to those parishioners who have already picked up their new Gift Aid envelopes. If you have not yet picked yours up please see Fr John or Mari Jo. If you pay your church donation by Standing Order you can now pay any special collection / building fund through your bank in the same way as your weekly / monthly donation. Just ensure that the bank reference states which collection you are donating to. If you would prefer to receive envelopes for these collection please let Fr John / Marie Jo know. Thank you to everyone who donations to the church is any way, it is very much appreciated.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY - This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday - please see a letter from Bishop John at the back of the church. There will be special collection for Vocations.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING 2024 - The Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency has reorganised safeguarding induction training into one course only, combining the previous Parts 1 & 2. If you are a new volunteer or one who completed the Part 1 training course more than a year ago, you are invited to sign up for a Safeguarding training session taking place on:

Wednesday 1st May at 7pm in St. Mary's Parish Hall, Greenock

Saturday 8th June at 10.30am in St. John's Parish Hall, Barrhead

Please contact Sarah Jane Colhoun at safeguardingadmin@rcdop.org.uk or telephone [0141 847 6138](tel:01418476138) to book a place.

SAFEGUARDING THOUGH FOR THE MONTH : We will be judged on how fully we commit to Safeguarding those who are vulnerable

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES 2024 - DIOCESE OF PAISLEY: We invite all couples due to be Married in 2024 to register for one our three courses this year. Each course will consist of two evening in-person sessions, and one Saturday morning workshop, which will be held in St. Mirin's Cathedral Hall, Paisley. The cost for the course per couple is £50. You can follow the link to access further information <https://www.rcdop.org.uk/marriage-preparation> or use the QR code to see the course dates and go straight to our booking page. We look forward to seeing you!

A FAMILY DAY WITH MARY – SUNDAY 12TH OF MAY: Bishop John and the Marriage, Family, and Life Commission warmly invites you to join families throughout the Diocese for an afternoon of celebration and fun in honour of Mary our Mother! The day will begin at 2 PM in St John's, Barrhead parish hall on Sunday the 12th of May and will include prayer, games, activities for children and refreshments for all. We will conclude with Holy Mass at 4 PM.

THE SHROUD OF TURIN: Please join us for a presentation on The Shroud of Turin, on Sunday, 5th May, at 1:30pm in St. Mirin's Hall. As we prepare to contemplate this 'icon written in blood' (Pope Benedict XVI). 'This image, impressed upon the cloth, speaks to our heart and moves us to climb the hill of Calvary, to look upon the wood of the Cross, and to immerse ourselves in the eloquent silence of love.' (Pope Francis). Guest speaker and author, Mike Pietrzyk, will be visiting St Joseph's, Clarkston.

THINK VOCATION: Today is World Day of Prayer for Vocations, "Good Shepherd Sunday". Pray for those discerning a call to priesthood or religious life. Is that you? Please speak to our local Vocations Director, Fr. John Morrison tel: [01418895056](tel:01418895056) or email vocations@rcdop.org.uk

ST. JAMES' PRIMARY SCHOOL - Please pray for the children of primary 7 who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 1st May in St. Mirin's Cathedral. Please also pray for the children of Primary 4 who will make their First Holy Communion on Saturday 11th May and Sunday 12th May

TEA DANCE - ST JAMES' -There will be a Tea Dance in St James church hall on Saturday 4th May 1.00pm - 3.00pm. Tickets £5.00. **All welcome**

BAPTISM - Saturday 20th April we celebrate the Baptism of Myles McIntyre

BAPTISMS - Baptisms take place on Saturday's at 11am & Sunday's at 1.30pm. To organise a baptism please phone Fr. John at St. James' (01418862022)

FUNERALS - When arranging a funeral please phone Fr. John (01418862022)

SICK - John Boyle, Sean Rushton, Denise Clancy, Johnnie Leech, Angela McGeown, Rose Fowler, Renato Edoni, Baby Cali McLaughlan, Baby Struan, Edward Beacham, Terence Ferguson, Andrea Clancy, Scarlett Harper, Phoebe Ballingall, Janet Nicol

RECENTLY DECEASED - Isobel Stewart, Paul McKenzie, Catherine Gallagher, Betty Young, Cathy Ogg, Robert Adam, Mary Campbell, Alfred Miller

ANNIVERSARIES - John Boyle, Kathleen Osborne, James Hughes, John Beattie, Billy Reed, Clare Harte