Sunday 7th March 2021
3rd Sunday of Lent

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The church is closed at the present time.

Sunday Mass and weekday Masses are live streamed.

Go to the website for the link :
www.olsg.org.uk

Live Streaming of Sunday Mass is at 10 am

Live streaming of weekday Masses this week: 9.30 am

Sacraments: Check the parish website for information

Baptism: The church is closed for baptisms

Sacrament of the Sick: The Anointing of the Sick is for those whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age. Visits are permissible at present.

Marriage: Numbers are restricted at present.

Prayers for the dying. Praying the rosary can be a most comforting experience for a person preparing to move on to the new life. Other prayers and readings are available on request.

Funerals: Families are encouraged to choose from a selection of readings. These can be found on the internet: scripture readings for Catholic funeral Mass. The translation has to be one of the approved ones for the UK. One website to check: **olasv.org.uk** (Use search box)

My House shall be a House of Prayer

LENT

Stations of the Cross. Available on the website.

Feast of St John Ogilvie This Wednesday, 10th March is the feast of the Jesuit priest who was martyred at Glasgow Cross on this day 1615.

SCIAF. The letter from Bishop Toal will be available on the website next week the weekend we would normally take up a second collection for SCIAF.

In this letter he writes: *"This year, SCIAF ask us to look to another country where frequent conflict has left behind a legacy of fear, displacement and despair, making it one of the world's poorest and most fragile states. Children with disabilities were already the most vulnerable in society. Now, the coronavirus pandemic has deepened already existing issues of poverty, putting them at greater risk. When a crisis comes, be it conflict, famine or even the coronavirus, it's the poorest and most vulnerable children who suffer most."*

May they rest in peace. We are asked to pray for those who have died recently: Esther Brady, Anne Power, Vincent Denvir; and for those whose anniversaries occur about now: Martha Armour (17th), Martha Gillan, Michael Flaherty, Rose Anne Howard, May Philbin, Gerard MacDonald.

Pray for those who are ill: for the sick at home, in hospital, in nursing homes.

John Welch R.I.P. John's wife Therese would like to express her gratitude to Father Joe and the parish family for the appreciation of John's service to the parish and the love and support she has received throughout this difficult time.

Ignatian Spirituality Centre Register for the Lent online retreat 2021, "Knowing Jesus". This runs from Ash Wednesday (17th Feb) to Easter Sunday 11th April. Go to: www.onlieprayer.net

Fr Joe writes. Our fragility has been exposed by this awful pandemic. Lives have been taken away so quickly, jobs lost, schooling side-lined, family and social interaction curtailed, and for us the physical presence at the Eucharist has been suspended.

We are thrown back on ourselves and our spiritual resources. This Sunday we hear the Lord speaking of the sanctuary that is his body. His body is the place where God dwells, and because of him, it is so with us through baptism.

On Thursday last the readings at Mass spoke of the one who has placed trust in the Lord as being like a tree that is planted beside flowing water that yields its fruit in due season. Bishop Gilbert used the image to speak about our late Archbishop in the homily at the funeral Mass.

Even still after having placed our trust in the Lord we need little things to keep our minds active and alert. For me there is much still needing done in the parish, but in some spare time I have been trying to learn a bit more of the Irish which was my mother's native tongue. Progress is very limited but I am hoping that on St Patrick's Day I will be able to say the Our Father at Mass in Irish!

Finances Thanks to all who contribute to the parish upkeep. £750 has been contributed to the parish upkeep up till Thursday by parishioners making use of their exercise outing. In addition an exceptional donation of £1000 was also generously donated. Some hall donations which will be kept over at present are being received weekly. Standing orders and other bank donations are also most gratefully received.

radioalba.org

Radio Alba majors on Morning, School, Evening and Night Prayer, and now has recorded Masses on Sunday, and Prayer from Glasgow Churches Together during the week.

SOUTHSIDE FOODBANK

A plea from the Foodbank for plastic carrier bags, especially the stronger ones. If you have any to spare please take them to Hillington Park Church near Morrisons between 9am and 9.50 on a Friday. Thank you

If you need a Foodbank our nearest one is on a Friday in Hillington Park Church, Berryknowes Road near Morrisons. It is open between 10am and 12.45pm.

Fairtrade Fortnight

With the emergence of the Covid pandemic, the challenges that farmers face now are bigger than ever before, with falling commodity prices and difficulties with supply chains. Ongoing poverty in farming communities makes it increasingly hard to cope with the effects of climate change. Find out more on the Fairtrade website. You can order Fairtrade goods from Traidcraft at: www.traidcraftshop.co.uk

Justice and Peace Scotland join us for a discussion– **Poverty & Pandemic** – on **Sunday 7th March (4.30pm – 6pm).**

Book here Poverty & Pandemic Tickets, Sun 7 Mar 2021 at 16:30 | Eventbrite

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week: Daily Acts of Love for Lent

An inspiring resource was developed by Bonnybrook parish, Dublin. The parish was officially recognised by Eco-Congregation Ireland (ECI) in 2020 as an eco-aware parish. This concern for the earth and all with whom we share it is reflected in many of the proposed actions. ECI encourages churches of all denominations to take an eco approach to worship, lifestyle, property and finance management, community outreach and contact with the developing world.

Access 'Acts of Love for Lent' and other excellent Lent resources at: www.newpilgrimpath.ie.