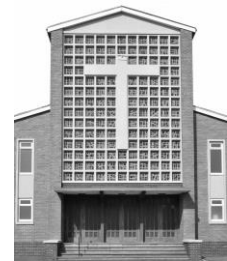




SUNDAY BULLETIN



ST MATTHEW'S and OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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Liturgy	Sunday 10th April, 2022 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - C
Psalm Response	<i>My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?</i>
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.</i>
SUNDAY MASSES: 9.30am at St. Matthew's & 11am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	

Please, ask your child(ren) to return to you immediately after the Children's Liturgy if you do not wish them to be captured on the live-stream recording.

LIVESTREAM MASSES: [YouTube St Matthew's & Our Lady of Mount Carmel Kilmarnock](#) and [YouTube St Joseph's Church Kilmarnock](#)

The Courage to Wait

The poor man must wait. They must wait for the land to produce its fruit. They must wait in queues to buy what is available, and if there are shortages then they may wait in vain. They wait for jobs.....Above all they wait for justice as the years pass and nothing appears to get better. We (all) need the endurance to hang in, to go on campaigning, not giving up, being faithful to the Lord's promise of a better world.

In the church too we need this courage..... When what we wait for does not come, the temptation is to grow restless.... The desert fathers believed that the great breakthrough to holiness came just by remaining where one is and waiting for God. "Sit in your cell and your cell will teach you everything." If a bird abandons the eggs she is sitting on, she prevents them from hatching and in the same way a monk or nun will grow cold and their faith perish.

Why is waiting so much a part of being a Christian? Why cannot God give us now what we long for, justice for the poor and perfect happiness for us all? One reason why our God takes so much time is because he is not a god. Our God is not a powerful, celestial superman, a sort of invisible president on a cosmic scale who might come bursting in from outside. The coming of God is not like the cavalry cantering to our rescue. God comes from within, inside our deepest interiority.

God comes to us as a child comes to a mother, in the depth of her being, through a slow transformation of who she is. Anything else would be violence and violation. We are bodies and bodies live in time. It takes time for broken bones to reknit, for fevers to be overcome... We need patience because God comes to us not as an external agent but in the very intimacy of our bodily being, which lives in time.

It took thousands of years before there was a language in which God's word could be spoken in the form of Jesus. Liberation and exile, building and destruction, prophets, scribes, poets.....all struggling to find words before Jesus could be born as the Word. God's Word does not come down from heaven like celestial Esperanto, it wells up from within human language. When we ask for anything, God comes with infinite respect for the rhythms of our human life. Our watching is an active preparation for God's coming till we are ready to welcome the seed.

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PARISHES OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL AND ST. MATTHEW'S

Mass and Eucharistic Service Schedule for the Forthcoming Week

Sunday 10th April	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>Luke</i> 22:14 – 23:56
Monday 11th April	9.30 Rosary at St. Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's	<i>John</i> 12:1-11
Tuesday 12th April	9.30am Private Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at OLMC	10.00am Mass at OLMC	7.30pm Mass of Chrism in St. Margaret's Cathedral, Ayr <i>John</i> 13:21-33.36-38
Wednesday 13th April	10.00am Mass at St. Joseph's	Rosary after Mass at St. Joseph's	<i>Matthew</i> 26:14-25
Holy Thursday 14th April	7.00pm <i>Mass of The Lord's Supper</i> in St. Matthew's	Prayer at <i>Place of Repose</i> after Mass	10.00pm <i>Night Prayer</i> in St. Matthew's <i>John</i> 13:1-15
Good Friday 15th April	3.00pm <i>Commemoration of The Lord's Passion</i> in Our Lady of Mount Carmel	7.00pm <i>Stations of the Cross</i> in Our Lady of Mount Carmel <i>John</i> 18:1-19:42	
Holy Saturday 16th April	8.30pm <i>Easter Vigil</i> in St. Matthew's		<i>Matthew</i> 28:1-10
Easter Sunday 17th April	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's	11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>John</i> 20:1-9

SACRAMENTS

Marriage	By arrangement with Fr. Martin. The Diocese of Galloway requires that couples give a minimum of six months' notice of their intention to marry
Baptism	By arrangement with Fr. Martin.
Reconciliation	Available on request at suitable times

St. Matthew's Weekly 200 Club

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Monthly 200 Club

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Recently Deceased: *Elizabeth Ross and Jim Clark*
May all our departed rest in peace.

Anniversaries: *Margaret Carten, Jennifer Thomson, Steven McEwan, Alice Murtagh, Peggy McIlvanney and Betty McCann*

People who are ill: *Willie McCann, Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, Mary Gibson, Michelle Dunne, Leona McAllister, Mary Hasson, Donald Gibon, Senga McCann, Valerie Toal, Frank Mullen, Helen O'Donnell, Nathalie Feeney, Mary McLaughlin, Agnes Lennon, May Hollywood, Frances O'Neill, Helen McClure, James Hughes, Max McLean and Peter Herral.* (Please alert the Parish co-ordinator of any changes)

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Liturgy Ministry Rota for

Easter Sunday of the resurrection of the Lord - C

<i>Acts</i> 10:34.37-43	<i>Psalm</i> 117	<i>Colossians</i> 3:1-4	<i>John</i> 20:1-9
Venue	Readers	Ministers	
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	A Starrs F McCann	C Harper	
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Collection Totals. Thank you for your generosity

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Ukraine Appeal (Aeolian Concert): £1,839.70			

Feasts This Week	Sunday 10 th – Palm Sunday Year C; Thur 14 th – Holy Thursday; Fri 15 th – Good Friday; Sat 16 th – Holy Saturday; Sunday 17 th – Easter Sunday.
Stations of the Cross in Lent	As well as the Good Friday Liturgy at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Fr. Martin will also lead Stations of the Cross in Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 7.00pm that same night.
SCIAF Ukraine Appeal Update	Total raised thus far is £3212.69
Do This in Memory of Me	The Children who are preparing for First Communion this year are invited to bring along their Prayer Candle to Mass TODAY, Palm Sunday, 10 th April, and take part in the special sermon.
Diocesan Chrism Mass	Archbishop Nolan will celebrate the Diocesan Chrism Mass on Tuesday, 12 th April at 7.30pm in St. Margaret's Cathedral, John Street Ayr.
Good Friday Collection	There will be a Special Collection at the Good Friday 3pm Service in Mount Carmel. As Catholics commemorate Jesus' Passion on <i>Good Friday</i> , the Vatican is asking them to support the Church in the <i>Holy Land</i> with their prayers and financial contributions.
Good Friday Vigil	This ecumenical service will take place in the New Laigh Kirk, Kilmarnock on Friday 15 th April from 12 noon until 3pm. The Kilmarnock priests will take part in this Service. The Theme will be: <i>The Last Words of Christ</i> . All are welcome.
Easter Triduum	Fr. Martin has set the following arrangements for the Easter Triduum: Mass of the Lord's Supper: Thursday, 14 th April at 7pm in St. Matthew's; Commemoration of the Lord's Passion: Friday, 15 th April at 3pm in Mount Carmel; Stations of the Cross: Friday, 15 th April at 7pm in Mount Carmel; Easter Vigil: Saturday, 16 th April at 8.30pm in St. Matthew's; Easter Sunday Masses: Sunday 17 th April at 9.30am in St. Matthew's and at 11am in Our Lady of Mount Carmel.
Kay Park Easter Breakfast	This ecumenical prayer service (very short) will take place at the Kay Park Memorial (beside the Burns Statue) at 7am on April 17 th 2022, Easter Sunday morning. It will be led by St Matthew's Church and will be followed by a breakfast back at St. Matthew's Church. ALL PEOPLE ARE WELCOME!!
Sisters of Marie Reparatrice	The 11am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel on Sunday 24 th April 2022 will be in celebration of the many years that the Sisters of Marie Reparatrice served in the Parish. We will be joined that day by many Sisters who served in the Parish – including Sister Barbara & Theresa. Please make a note in your diary for this special event.
Ecuador Newsletter	Please take a copy of the latest Newsletter keeping you up to date with what's going on for our sisters and brothers there.
Sr Imelda's 1 st Anniversary	Saturday 9th April is the 1st anniversary of our beloved Sr Imelda dying and in remembrance of her I am going to be silent for 24hrs! Fr Martin doesn't think I can do this so I will prove him wrong. I will be in Our Lady of Mount Carmel church on Saturday 9 th April from 8am until 8pm and the Blessed sacrament will be exposed for this period so please feel free to pop into church that day but PLEASE DO NOT speak to me as I will not be replying. I will then go home and not speak until 8am on Sunday 10th April - no phone either which will be for me! I have prepared sponsor sheets which are in the Norbert Room and would be pleased if you would donate to this wonderful charity which helps people affected by MND and also funds research into the disease. I also have a Justgiving page which you will find at: Justgiving.com and it's listed as Frances's sponsored silence. Thank you for your support in memory of this beloved friend of our parish.
Diocesan Priesthood	Are you thinking about being a Priest in 2022? The Diocese of Galloway is now inviting enquiries from those considering applying for seminary. For more information, please contact Fr. Martin Chambers at: martin.chambers@gallowaydiocese.org.uk
Ecumenical Call to Prayer	You are invited to join with Christians throughout the country in praying together online every Sunday at 7pm. Join in on: http://www.acts-scotland.org/

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