St Aloysius' Church

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16 April 2023

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy

**AMDG** 

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#### **SERVICE TIMES**

**Sunday Mass** 

Vigil (Saturday):

5.00 pm

Sunday:

10.00 am,

12.00 noon (choir),

& 9.00 pm

Weekday

Monday - Friday: 8.00 am, 12.15 pm,

Mass

**Saturday** 

12.15pm & 5.00pm (Vigil)

Confessions

Mon-Sun 30 minutes before Mass

Confessions after 8 a.m. Mass on request

Exposition Every Sunday after the 12.00 noon Mass

#### Thank you

Many thanks to all those who contributed to the Holy Week Services, the choir, organist, sacristan, servers, readers, passkeepers, cleaners and decorators of the church. Thank you for what you have done this Holy Week and Easter and for all you do the whole year through.

#### Pope's Apostleship of Prayer Intention – April 2023

For a culture of peace and non-violence: We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by State and citizens.

# **Divine Mercy Devotions**

Divine mercy devotions will take place at St Brendan's, 187 Kelso Street G13 4BH today. Confessions 2 pm onwards. Chaplet at 3 pm with veneration of the icon and concluding with Evening Prayer of the Church and Benediction.

#### **Funeral**

Please also pray for the soul of James Morrow. His requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 19 April with reception of the body at 6 p.m. on Tuesday 18 April.



#### Today's Collection is for Assisted Parishes

# **Becoming a Catholic**

Adults who are interested in joining the Church follow a programme of learning and instruction, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), which culminates at the Easter Vigil Mass when they receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion, and are fully embraced as a member of the Catholic Church. The RCIA group of candidates will meet regularly on Mondays from September onwards at 7.30 pm onwards. All aspects of the Catholic faith are explored and discussed. There are no special requirements for candidates: you may have been baptised in the Catholic faith as an infant; baptised in another Christian church; or new to the faith. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please speak to Fr Twist or Fr Mitchell, or contact <a href="mailto:staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk">staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk</a>

# Young Adult Group

The YOUNG ADULT GROUP continue to meet in the Ignatian Spirituality Centre on Sundays at 7pm. Why not come along: light meal, talk, prayer and possibility of Mass at 9pm. Please note that we will not meet on Sunday 16 April. We will reconvene on Sunday 23 April.

# **Readers Training**

Thank you to those who attended the Readers training recently. If you were not able to attend you are very welcome to come to one of two further training session: Saturday 22 April at 10 a.m. or Saturday 29 April at 10 a.m.

# Week of Accompanied Prayer in St Aloysius': An Ignatian retreat for busy people

Sunday (23 April) to Sunday (30 April). If you would like to take part and for further information please email staloysius.garnethill@rcag.org.uk or phone the Parish Office 0141 332 3039

RCS Choir: Fauré's Requiem Monday 1 May, St Aloysius' Church at 7.30pm

Andrew Nunn graduated from the Master of Music (Conducting) programme with distinction in 2014 and was the recipient of the Peter Morris School of Music prize for excellence. He is the director and founder of the highly acclaimed Les Sirènes female choir, winners of the 2012 BBC Choir of the Year competition. Andrew Nunn leads the RCS Choir in a performance of Fauré's Requiem and Cantique de Jean Racine, followed by Duruflé's Quatre Motets sur des thèmes grégoriens. Tickets can be booked through https://www.rcs.ac.uk/box-office/event/

## **Ukrainian Mass**

Ukrainian Masses: will now take place on a regular basis in St Michael's, Parkhead, where a Ukrainian Catholic priest is now based. Contact St Michael's for details. 0141 554 0530

## The Future of the Archdiocese

Reflection about the future shape the Archdiocese of Glasgow has begun in earnest. The priests of our new West deanery had a first meeting recently to look at some preparatory papers. After Easter a Deanery Council will be established including each parish priest and one representative of each parish. On April 22nd, these priests and parish reps will meet the Archbishop for the launch of 'revisioning the future'. Mary O'Duffin has kindly agreed to be our representative.

#### **Pro-Life Mass**

Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm at Holy Cross, 113 Dixon Ave, G42 8ER. Adoration begins at 6.15pm. Tea in the hall afterwards – all welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Martin Eckersley.

#### **SPUC Pro-Life Chain**

Please join the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children for our annual Pro-Life Chain. We will peacefully witness to over 10 million lives lost to abortion in this country since the Abortion Act came into effect in 1968. Saturday 22 April 2023 - Lothian Road, Edinburgh 11:00 – 13:00. There will be a rosary offered by Archbishop Leo Cushley at 10:00 in the Jesuit Church of the Sacred Heart, Lauriston ahead of the chain. Refreshments will be available after the event.

#### **Justice for Father Stan Swamy**

An Indian Jesuit priest and activist who spent five decades fighting for Indigenous rights in the state of Jharkhand, died of Covid-19 in July 2021 after spending 7 months in an Indian prison. He was imprisoned under the archaic Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act for crimes against the government of India and his supposed involvement in violence surrounding the 2018 Bhima Koregaon protests. In December 2022, Massachusetts-based digital forensics firm Arsenal Consulting reported the results of its investigation into the evidence which had led to Fr Swamy's arrest and imprisonment. The report concluded that Fr Swamy was systematically targeted in a cyber campaign over a four-year period during which time falsified evidence was planted on the priest's computer. Fr Stan's willingness to stand with the poor and excluded eventually cost him his life. Today, Jesuit Missions UK is asking you to stand in solidarity with Stan by signing their petition which calls on the Indian government to clear the name of this innocent man, based on the new evidence. We ask you to stand in solidarity with Stan and activists in Jharkhand where the petition has already received 10,000 signatures. To sign: <a href="https://www.change.org/p/justicefor-fr-stan-swamy-sj">https://www.change.org/p/justicefor-fr-stan-swamy-sj</a>

# List of our Special Collections Donated during the Last Year

St Nicholas Care Fund (Caring Sunday)	£437.12
Assisted Parishes	£2,116.45
Apostleship of the Sea	£600.14
Ukraine	£966.90
Holy Places	£1000.54
Ecclesiastical Students	£1,448.82
Communications	£717.17
Pro Life	£516.72
Comboni Sisters	£636.90
Peter's Pence	£421.31
Missio Scotland	£270.48
Justice and Peace	£446.99
Sick and Retired Priests	£2,185.26
Jesuit Missions	£1,057.74
SCIAF (Turkey/Syria Appeal)	£925.80
St Margaret's Adoption (Crib donations)	£620.20
Jesuit Refugee Service	£50.00

## **Donations from the Boxes in the Church**

SCIAF	£3,680.69
Poor Fund	£5,057.81
Jesuit Missions	£794.65
Ecclesiastical Students	£800.73

# **SERRA Vigil for Vocations**

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April from 7 – 9pm in the University of Glasgow Catholic Chaplaincy, 15 Southpark Terrace, G12 8LG. The evening will begin with Mass at 7pm, followed by a Holy Hour. We will conclude with Compline and Benediction at 9pm. ALL WELCOME!

# **Liturgical Calendar**

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Feast of Our Lady, Mother of the Society of Jesus

Thank you for last Sunday's Collection.

First Collection: £2,069.76 2nd Collection: £1,079.00 for Holy Places

#### MASS TEXTS AND READINGS

Entrance Antiphon 1 P 2:2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:2-4, 13-15, 22-24. R. v.1

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Second Reading St Peter 1:3-9

In his great mercy he has given us a new birth as his sons by raising Jesus from the dead.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-31

Eight days later, Jesus came.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Jn 20-27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.