

St Joseph and St Patrick's Wemyss Bay
2nd Sunday of Lent
25th February 2024

Weekend Masses Vigil 5pm Sunday 10am 5pm Confession Saturday 4.30pm

Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

with Exposition from 9:00am and Morning Prayer at 9:40am

Sunday 10am and Weekday Masses online.

Parish YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/stjstp>

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Please remember in your prayers:

Sick:, Grace McLare, Tony Doran, Philip McLaughlin, Paula Clark, Derek Fraser, Donald Smith
Bernard Hampson, Elizabeth Carey, Sophie Bevan, Lisa Reidy, Desmond Harley
Pauline Gurney, Pat McCabe, Anne McAlonan, Judy Gilmour, Michael Martin,
and Billy McFayden

Recently died: Miriam Slaven, Mario Rotta, Joseph Hagan

Anniversaries: Eugene Lafferty

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World Day of Prayer in our Parish This Friday Coming

This year the World Day of Prayer is taking place on **Friday 1st March at 7pm in our church**. It involves parishioners from Inverkipp and Skelmorlie Parish churches as well as ourselves. Please come along and support this event.

Teas will be available in the hall afterwards.

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Lenten calendars: The Lenten calendars, which encourage us to pray for our Priests and all those ministering in our Diocese, are now available, the calendar is available on the Diocesan website: <https://rcdop.org.uk/>

This Monday 26th February we are asked to pray for Fr Berry. Please remember him and all our priests in your prayers.

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Dates for the Diary Advance Notice
More details will be given later.

Friday March 1st

Friday March 22nd

Monday March 25th

Sunday March 31st

World Day of Prayer 7pm in our church.

St Patrick's Night Tickets will be on sale this weekend.

Passover Meal Details to follow.

Great Easter Egg Hunt Details to follow.

Thursday April 4th

Rosary and Benediction to pray for Paul Laverty, our seminarian being ordained a deacon on April 13th.

More details nearer the time.

Sunday June 2nd

Annual Garden Party.

Teas and Coffees in the hall after Sunday 10am Mass

Liturgical Word of the Week

This week we address the last of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit: **Fear of God**. This is the ability to reverence God as the source of all goodness and to avoid anything that offends him. It means we revere God and avoid separating ourselves from him—as opposed fearing his punishment. It acknowledges that everything comes from God. Consequently, those who Fear the Lord gladly offer their praise, worship, and adoration to God alone.

Young Adults' Pilgrimage: The diocesan Young Adults office hopes to arrange a pilgrimage to **Poland from 5-12 August 2024 for those aged 18-35 years old**. We will stay in Krakow with visits to the St John Paul II Centre, Divine Mercy Sanctuary, Salt Mine Museum, Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum and the Czestochowa Sanctuary. Flights from/to Edinburgh. Estimated cost: £600-800pp. To book, please attend a meeting on Sun 25th Feb at 4pm in the diocesan offices. For more info, contact Fr Ryan Black (ryan.black@rcdop.org.uk) or Fr Joe McGill (joe.mcgill@rcdop.org.uk).

40 Days for Life: You are invited to join the 40 Days for Life Peaceful Prayer and Fasting Vigil outside of the grounds of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow, which takes place from 8am until 8pm each day from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday. For more info, email ogilvie1615@outlook.com.

Parish Pastoral Council

The meeting last Thursday covered a number of topics including most mentioned in the Diary dates above. Reports were also given from the Fabric Committee and the various works needing to be looked at in the next couple of years. Ways of making the Religious Stall more available were also touched on. Various items for Easter and First Communion are available. Timing of the Easter Vigil was also mentioned.

The Prayer Circle

If you have any special intention you would like to circle to pray for please fill in a form and put it in the box in the porch. This can be anonymous.

Fr Berry's Philosophical Corner

You don't need a parachute to go skydiving.
You need a parachute to go skydiving twice.

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Dear St Joseph, Guardian of The Holy Family, watch over our Parish

St Patrick, pray for us