



St Joseph's Broomhouse

Order of Saint Augustine

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St Josephs is a Parish of St Andrew's and Edinburgh Archdiocese, a registered charity in Scotland no: SCO08540

Sunday Mass 8:30am & 11am.
Daily Mass 9:30am.
Confession: After Sat. am Mass and on request

11 March 2018

Fourth Sunday of Lent (B) Laetare Sunday

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Responsorial psalm: Let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not! (Ps 136).

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, O Christ! God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son; everyone who believes in him has eternal life. Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Communion Antiphon: Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: £449.74

Many thanks for your generosity

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Sat 17 Mar *St Patrick* Feast (White)

NOTICES

CONGRATULATIONS to Michael Sweeney for winning the Pound Club last month.

About Being Catholic (RCIA) – Thursdays at 7.30pm in the parish house.

PLANNED GIVING – Make sure you have your envelope for this year. If you want to be part of the planned giving system, speak to Fr Paul.

Catholic Publications – Do pick up at the back of the church the *Scottish Catholic Observer*, Scotland's weekly Catholic paper. There's a very good article on the work of SCIAF in Cambodia in this week's edition. Last week's edition is also available, which wasn't delivered because of the Beast from the East.

ST PATRICK'S NIGHT – Friday 16 March, 7.30pm. £7 entrance. BYOB and raffle prizes wanted. Please put your name on the clipboard at the back of the church if you wish to attend.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO SAN GIMIGNANO – 22-29 Sept 2018. Cost: around £500 plus return flights to Pisa. Seven nights half-board at il Convento Sant'Agostino, San Gimignano. Two day excursions to be arranged. Closing date for bookings the end of February. See Fr Ian.

MOTHERING SUNDAY – today we remember all the mothers of the parish and wish them a very happy day. We remember, too, all our mothers who have gone before us and for whom we pray.

LENT: STATIONS OF THE CROSS will take place every Friday in Lent at 7pm. Fr Ian will lead us this week. Also, confessions will take place during Mass today during the penitential rite. There will be a deanery Penitential Service at St Cuthbert's on 26 March, 7pm

SCIAF Lenten Appeal will be this Sunday, 11 March. A retiring collection will be taken up. The UK government has pledged to double whatever we donate. The focus this year is on Cambodia. The Wee Boxes will be collected after Easter.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS – the Augustinian website www.theaugustinians.org has a series of daily reflections in Lent, just go to **Lent Online** on the homepage.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL – the names will be announced next Sunday. The new parish council will be installed on the **Feast of St Joseph, Mon 19 Mar, beginning with a 7pm Mass** to which all parishioners are invited.

BIG CHURCH CLEAN FOR EASTER – Sat 31 March 10am. Just turn up. Hot Cross buns to follow.

FAIRTRADE STALL – thank you to all who supported the stall. It would be great if we could become a Fairtrade Parish – and a plastics-free one, too!

EASTER TRIDUUM TIMES:

Holy Thursday: **Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm**

Good Friday: **Lord's Passion 3pm (Stations 7pm)**

Holy Saturday: **Easter Vigil 8.30pm (note later time)**

Easter Sunday: **11am only**

Our Wee Community: *At long last, the phone line and the broadband has been fixed. 0131 443 3777 is working again. After three visits by BT engineers, the fault turned about to be a section of the cable from the nearest telegraph pole to the house that was being chewed by birds. It had been fixed badly some years' ago with coloured tape, which I suspect attracted the local magpies, who love bright things.*

This Sunday is 'Laetare' Sunday, the Sunday of Rejoicing. Hence the entrance antiphon, 'Rejoice, Jerusalem...'. This expresses the joy of the people of God as they get close to Easter. Lent can be tough when we've pledged to say extra prayers, make a sacrifice and give to a good cause. Today, is an opportunity to look ahead joyfully to the goal of Lent, Christ's death and resurrection, and the restoration of new life. We are, after all, an 'Easter People' Fr Paul