

Weekday Services (17 April - 22 April)

Easter Monday Morar: 10:15 am
Reception of the Body of Bill Henderson RIP..... Arisaig: 6:00 pm
 Easter Tuesday..... Mallaig: 5:00 pm
Funeral Service of Bill Henderson RIP..... Arisaig: 2:00 pm
 Easter Wednesday Arisaig: 10:15 am
Reception of the Body of Mhairi Buchanan RIP..... Mallaig: 6:00 pm
 Easter Thursday *Requiem Mass of Mhairi Buchanan* Mallaig: 11:00 am
 Easter Friday no Mass
 Easter Saturday..... Arisaig: 10.15 am

Sunday Masses 22 / 23 April (Divine Mercy Sunday - A)

Saturday (Vigil-Mass) 6:00 pm..... Morar
 Sunday 10:00 am Arisaig
 Sunday 11:30 am Mallaig
 Sunday 2:00 pm Mingarry

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Morar: Resumes from Friday, 28th April

Housebound visits this week..... no visits

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Violet MacKenzie 20.04; William Gerard Buchanan (Morar) 23.04; Catherine MacDonald (Ardnafuaran) 18.04; Ann MacLeod (Birthday Anniversary) 21.04; Canon Malcolm Morrison (South Uist) 14.04.1985; Michael Leonard 20.04.

Eternal rest...

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Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St Cumin, Morar
 St. Mary's, Arisaig – Our Lady of the Angels, Mingarry
 St. Patrick's, Mallaig - St. Agnes, Glenuig

Easter Sunday (A)

16th April 2017

R) This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad.

**Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed:
let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!**

Easter 2017



*A happy and Holy Easter to
 you all!*

My sincere thanks to those who have helped make the Liturgies of Holy Week all the more special: our readers, our cantors, our Eucharistic ministers; our altar-servers; our sacristans and those who cleaned the churches. A special thanks to those who organized and arranged the flowers in celebration of the Risen Lord. God bless you all!

I wish to thank you for Easter cards and kind gifts! Your thoughtfulness is always deeply appreciated! I also pass kindest wishes from my parents in Poland to all the Parishes!

Fr Raniero Cantalamessa (Papal Preacher) on Good Friday:

The Carthusian monks have adopted a coat of arms that appears at the entrance to their monastery, in their official documents, and in other settings. It consists of a globe of the earth surmounted by a cross with writing around it that says, “*Stat crux dum volvitur orbis*” (“The Cross stands firm as the world turns”).

What does the cross represent in being this fixed point, this mainmast in the undulation of the world? It is the definitive and irreversible “no” of God to violence, injustice, hate, lies—to all that we call “evil,” and at the same it is equally the irreversible “yes” to love, truth, and goodness. “No” to sin, “yes” to the sinner. It is what Jesus practiced all his life and that he now definitively consecrates with his death.

The reason for this differentiation is clear: sinners are creatures of God and preserve their dignity, despite all their aberrations; that is not the case for sin; it is a spurious reality that is added on, the result of one’s passions and of the “the devil’s envy” (Wis 2:24). It is the same reason for which the Word, in becoming incarnate, assumed to himself everything human except for sin. The good thief to whom the dying Jesus promised paradise, is the living demonstration of all this. No one should give up hope; no one should say, like Cain, “My sin is too great to be forgiven” (see Gen 4:13).

The cross, then, does not “stand” against the world but for the world: to give meaning to all the suffering that has been, that is, and that will be in human history. Jesus says to Nicodemus, “God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him” (Jn 3:17). The cross is the living proclamation that the final victory does not belong to the one who triumphs over others but to the one who triumphs over self; not to the one who causes suffering but to the one who is suffering. [...]

The heart of flesh, promised by God through the prophets, is now present in the world: it is the heart of Christ pierced on the cross, the heart we venerate as the “Sacred Heart.” In receiving the Eucharist we firmly believe his very heart comes to beat inside of us as well. As we are about to gaze upon the cross, let us say from the bottom of our hearts, like the tax collector in the temple, “God, be merciful

to me a sinner!” and then we too, like he did, will return home “justified” (Lk 18:13-14).

SCIAF WEE BOXES: Time is approaching when we are asked to return our Wee Boxes. The final **deadline** for returning the boxes will be **Sunday, 30th April**. Please remember, that if you do not return your box by that day, you will have to send it directly to SCIAF. This is to help those who count the money to send everything off to SCIAF in one go. It is also a great help in managing the accounts of Three Parishes so thank you for your cooperation.

GIFT AID: We will be shortly submitting our applications to the Diocese!

LITURGYWORKS: Conforti Institute, Coatbridge, **5th- 7th May 2017**.

You are invited to LiturgyWorks: a weekend of liturgy-themed workshops, spiritual talks, liturgical song, prayer and get-together with people from around the parishes of Argyll & the Isles. We have a new location and a renewed presentation of our 20-year old Diocesan Pastoral Music Weekends. Please check the poster and speak to **Fr Michael Hutson**, tel. **01700 502047** if you would like to attend.

VOCATIONS: #priesthood2018: Thinking about being a priest? Considering the Diocesan priesthood? Priests for Scotland are holding a day for enquirers on Saturday 6th May at Glasgow University Catholic Chaplaincy. For more information or to book a place speak to your Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Michael Hutson, 01700 502047, Michael.hutson@mc.com

ARISAIG PARISH:

REDEMPTORIST: I am very grateful to Fr Kieran Brady, who helped out in Arisaig and Morar during Holy Week and stayed in the Chapel House. Fr Kieran will be returning to Birmingham, where he stays at the moment between his busy work leading Parish Missions.

BILL HENDERSON RIP: Bill’s Funeral Service led by both myself and Rev. Alan Lamb will take place on Tuesday, at 2pm. Bill was a good friend to St. Mary’s over the years and also an important member of our wider Community. We extend our condolences to Sheila and their children and offer our prayers.

MORAR PARISH:

MHAIRI BUCHANAN RIP: We pray for the repose of the soul of Mhairi. Her sudden death was a shock for the family & community. Mhairi’s Funeral Mass will take place in Mallaig on Thursday, at 11am.

NIAMH HENDERSON RIP: We have been struck by the sudden and unexpected death of Niamh. There are no words to express our sadness, when such a young person dies. We offer our prayers for Niamh and her Family in this most difficult time. Funeral arrangements will be announced in due course.

MINGARRY PARISH:

FR TONY BOYLAN: My thanks to Fr Tony for his service in the Parish during Holy Week. Thank you to all who participated in the Liturgies!

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig:	
09.04.....	£500 (Gift Aid £352)
Arisaig:	
09.04.....	£278 (Gift Aid £133)
Mingarry:	
09.04.....	£251.15 (Gift Aid £185)