

Weekday Masses (3 April - 8 April)

Monday Morar: 10:15 am
 Tuesday Mallaig: 05:00 pm
 Wednesday Arisaig: 10:15 am
 Thursday no Mass
 Friday Morar: 10:15 am – possible cancellation at short notice
 Saturday Arisaig: 10:15 am

Stations of the Cross:

Morar: before Mass on Monday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday (8 April) Morar 5:00 pm
 Any other time on request

Housebound visits this week

During the week Morar

Sunday Masses 8 / 9 April (Palm Sunday - A)

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

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Tony MacDonald 06.04.2012; Anthony MacDougall
 31.03.2005; Donald McNeil (Arisaig) 03.04; Peter Chisholm 06.04.

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)

2nd April 2017

R) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will never die. Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

MASS OF CHRISM 2017



The blessing of oil is very ancient – there is documented evidence of this liturgy from the fourth century, but it is certainly of earlier origin. In our Diocese, the People of God, priests, deacons and the lay faithful, assemble on Maundy Thursday at St. Columba's Cathedral, for the Chrism Mass with the main celebrant Bishop Brian McGee. In our Diocese, unlike most of the places, because of the Isles and the distances to travel, there is a long standing tradition that it takes place in the evening of Week preceding Holy Week, in the Cathedral, where the bishop is surrounded by the priests of his diocese, whose presence demonstrates their unity with him. As the Liturgy of Mass relates to the events of Maundy Thursday which is the day on which both the Mass and the priesthood were instituted, Pope Paul VI introduced the renewal of the priestly commitment into the liturgy. This is followed by the blessing of oils and the consecration of Chrism.

The Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Catechumens are plain olive oil – the Oil of Chrism is perfumed with balsam.

The Oil of the Sick is brought to the sanctuary by members of the Congregation. The Bishop blesses this oil praying: 'May your blessing come upon all who are anointed with this oil, that they may be freed from pain and illness and made well

again in body, mind and soul'. Then the Oil of Catechumens is brought. The Bishop blesses this oil praying that God will 'give wisdom and strength to all who are anointed with it in preparation for their baptism'. Finally the Oil of Chrism is to be blessed. The Bishop breathes on this oil to invoke the Holy Spirit and consecrates it praying: 'make this mixture of oil and perfume a sign and source of your blessing. Pour out the gifts of your Holy Spirit on our brothers and sisters who will be anointed with it. Let the splendour of holiness shine on the world from every place and thing signed by this oil'.

After the Mass, the parish oil stocks are filled and taken back to the parishes. Later on during that evening, the priests join the Bishop for a meal in his residence. Please, consider going to the Chrism Mass. There is a bus going from St. Mary's, Fort William, if you cannot travel the distance yourself. To book a seat on the bus, please call Deacon Thomas Wynne in Fort William on **01397 703038**.

SCI AF: Your donations, prayers and campaign actions make a real and lasting difference to families like David's, in Zambia and around the world. You'll find prayers and video clips online at www.theweebox.org.

EASTER SERVICES: Full Rota of Easter Services in all three parishes can be found on Parish Website and Facebook, and on the Posters at the Back of the Church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Please, remember about our Lenten devotions. Check the times on the back page of the Newsletter.

GIFT AID: As we are slowly approaching the end of Tax Year for Gift Aid, please let me know if your circumstances have changed: your address or if you no longer pay tax. Thank you for your support!

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@me.com

WEEKDAY MASS TIME CHANGE! To allow more people, who use Public Transport to commute, to participate at our weekday Masses, Masses during the week will begin 15 mins later – 10.15am.

DISRUPTIONS DURING THE WEEK: Please note the Mass and Devotions changes on the back page of the newsletter. I will be away on Wednesday and Thursday of this week to attend the Chrism Mass and English Exam for my Home Office application thanks to Brexit vote!

ARISAIG PARISH:

VOLUNTEERS LIST: At the back of the Church, you will find a list(s) for volunteers for the Holy Week services. These include the preparation of the Altar of Repose for

Maundy Thursday, Readers etc. I know that in the past years many of these have been done by volunteers already, and it would be most helpful if you could continue, however, as this is my first Easter in the Parish, I have to cover all the bases:) Thank you for your support!

EASTER SERVICES: All the Paschal Triduum Services will take place in each parish separately. Maundy Thursday – 8pm; Good Friday – 3pm; Easter Vigil – 8.30pm; Easter Sunday – 10am.

REDEMP TORISTS: Next Saturday, Fr Kieran Brady and Fr Tom McCarth will arrive to the Chapel House to help during Easter. My thanks to Anne MacMillan, Tracy and Michelle MacDonald, who prepared/will prepare the House for their arrival and stay till Easter Monday. I am sure that the whole parish community will make them feel welcome!

EASTER CONFESSIONS: Fr Brady will be hearing confessions this year on Wednesday, 12 April at 7pm.

MORAR PARISH:

HEATING&LIGHTING: In loving memory of Frank & Ellen Menzies (Bathgate).

DONATION: Parish has received a very generous donation from Craigmyle Charitable Trust. We are grateful to Lord and Lady Craigmyle for their support and keep the family in our prayers.

VESTMENTS: Historic vestments from Morar will be travelling to National Museums of Scotland to be part of the exhibition *Bonnie Prince Charlie and the Jacobites*. They will be returned to us by the end of this year.

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EASTER CONFESSIONS: Fr Brady will be our visiting confessor on Monday, 10 April in Morar after Morning Mass and on Tuesday, 11 April in Mallaig, after afternoon Mass.

GARDEN: Many thanks again to Michael Currie for help with the garden/garage/house. Also many thanks to Douglas MacKellaig for agreeing to help with the drains.

FENCE: Part of the fence will soon be attended to by Hugh MacDonald. This should prevent the sheep from getting in and me chasing them out in the middle of the night, although I fear they will find another way!

MINGARRY PARISH:

EASTER SERVICES: Our Easter Services Times in Mingarry and Glenuig are available at the back of the churches. I am very grateful to Fr Tony Boylan, who will preside over Easter. Maybe you would consider helping out in the liturgy as a reader or help to prepare the church for services? I am very grateful for your help in this matter. Fr Boylan will be spending some time with his brother, but during the Holy Week he will also be staying some days in the Chapel House.

EASTER CONFESSIONS: Fr Boylan will be available as a visiting Confessor. He will announce the details himself on Palm Sunday.

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig:	
26.03.....	£471 (Gift Aid £302.60) / SCI AF £609
Arisaig:	
26.03.....	£251.85 (Gift Aid £101.50) / SCI AF £214
Mingarry:	
26.03.....	£126 (Gift Aid £90) / SCI AF £40