



St. Bernadette's Tullibody Parish Newsletter

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<h2 style="color: purple;">Easter Sunday</h2> <p style="color: purple;">"He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." ~ ~ Matthew 28:6</p>			
Sat	19 April	8.45am - 9.15am 8pm	Confessions Easter Vigil Mass Easter
Sun	20 April	8.30am 11.30am	Easter Mass Easter Mass 
Easter Sunday			
Mon	21 April	9.30am	Mass
Tues	22 April	~ ~ ~ ~	No services
Wed	23 April	9.30am	Mass
Thurs	24 April	9.30am	Mass
Fri	25 April	~ ~ ~ ~ 7pm	No Mass @ St Bernadettes Mass ~ Golden Jubilee Parish of St Leonard, Fergus, Dundee
Sat	26 April	8.45am - 9.15am 9.30am	Confessions Mass
Sun	27 April	8.30am 11.30am 4pm	Mass Mass ~ Bishop Andrew will celebrate Sacrament of Confirmation Stations of the Cross ~ Way of the Light Divine Mercy Sunday

This Sunday's Readings	
First Reading	Acts 10: 34, 37-43
Psalm	118(117): 1-2,16-17,22-23
Second Reading	Colossians 3: 1-4
Gospel	Luke 24: 1-12

Last Sunday's Collection	
Non Gift Aid	£455.02
Gift Aid	£316.00
Building Fund & Lectionary Donation	£446.00
Total	£1217.02

Prayer Requests

Those who are sick ~

Joan Jones, Msgr. Basil O'Sullivan, Seamus Freyne, Natalie Otalini, Jade Dicerbo, Stuart Mason, Sean McCann, Nellie Gallon, Carly Mournian, Brendan Murphy, Vincent McDaid, Peter Douglas, Mary Gordon, Mary Hughes, Peter & Margaret Stark, Sarah Jane Connelly, Duncan McGregor, Maria McIntyre, John & Trisha Smith, Drs. Diane & Mike Basquill, Maurice Di Duca, Heather Stewart, Cathy McCallum, Archie Gallaway, Fr John Callaghan, Bishop Stephen, Cathy Fox, Jim McKay, Peter Caproni, Laura Laing, Susan Duvall, Shirley Smith, Denise Smith, Brian Robertson, Melissa Brown, Teresa Cooke and Margo Tobin.

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time ~

Jack Ray, Lawrence McArthur, William Conlan, Mel Latte, Alex Byrne, Fr Colin Golden, Mary Galloway, Tom McMnemy, Annette Morgan, Pat Ward, Margaret Giannandrea, Canon Hugh McNally, Kate McNeil, Cathy Morrison, Lula O'Brien, David Tobin, Anne McNiven, Kathleen Clarke.

SCIAF Boxes ~ Please remember to hand in your boxes.



THANK YOU!

A huge word of thanks to all who helped during Lent, but especially during Holy Week and Easter liturgies.

We know they do not look for thanks but "thanks" is always encouraging. Without all their collaboration perhaps our Easter preparation and Easter itself may not have been so prayerful nor helped us as much to grow closer to God and others.

Many thanks to everyone.

Fr Mike

Father Mike's Easter Message ~ 2025

The Gospels narrate the resurrection from an early church's experience. However, Jesus's crucifixion was a public event. We hear of the amazing reaction of the women and the apostles but surely all those spectators and people who had experienced Jesus' healings and listened to his teachings must have reacted to the rumours and later the good news of his resurrection? They had flocked to Jesus. They were tired, frustrated and hurt people. Those same Romans who had forced Jesus to be born in Bethlehem still dominated the country with their taxes, corruption and violence. The people must have had a suppressed expectation about Jesus which perhaps explains the rapid expansion of believers afterwards. The Resurrection offered and brought hope to those empty of hope.

Hope we too desperately need. On an international level we watch a certain president cause havoc with foreign and economic relationships; persecutions against people of any faith happen daily and go unnoticed. Nearer to home economic pressures erode away social benefits of those struggling. People wait months for major serious surgical interventions.

Those who are silently accompanying people with a terminal illness survive with no hope at all. So much pain, frustration and desperation in our world. It is a world crying out help for hope. No wonder Pope Francis chose "pilgrims of hope" as his theme for the Jubilee year

Hope, Pope Francis says, is a gift from God. No matter how challenging life is the resurrection, for those who believe, is an invite to trust in God and offer hope. A tangible hope that life can change.

We need to be creative. Need to think outside the box and no longer just continue or go back to the way we were. The resurrection changed everything in the life of the apostles. The world needs hope. Needs to see differently. Needs help. As believers - followers of the risen Jesus - perhaps the world is needing our Christian help!

A joyful and hopeful Easter to all!!

Fr. Mike

Children's Easter Quiz

1) What is the name of the last meal that Jesus shared with his disciples?

- a) The Last Supper
- b) The Passover Meal
- c) The Wedding Supper
- d) The Feast of Tabernacles

2) On what day of Holy Week did Jesus die on the cross?

- a) Holy Thursday
- b) Good Friday
- c) Easter Sunday
- d) Holy Saturday

3) What is the name of the period of 40 days before Easter, during which Christians often fast, pray, and do good works?

- a) Lent
- b) Advent
- c) Ash Wednesday
- d) Holy Week

4) What is the name of the celebration on the Sunday following Good Friday, when Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection?

- a) Palm Sunday
- b) Good Friday
- c) Easter Sunday
- d) Ash Wednesday

5) What is the significance of the empty tomb for Christians on Easter Sunday?

- a) It shows that Jesus was resurrected from the dead.
- b) It represents the end of Lent.
- c) It marks the beginning of Holy Week.
- d) It symbolises the Last Supper.

Answers:

- 1. a) The Last Supper
- 2. b) Good Friday
- 3. a) Lent
- 4. c) Easter Sunday
- 5. a) It shows that Jesus was resurrected from the dead.