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### MASSES:

Saturday 6.30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 10.00 am, 12.00 Noon and 5.30pm

### WEEKDAYS

Mon — Sat 10.00am

Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 7.00pm

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Daily After 10.00am Mass

Saturday After 10.00am Mass,  
5.15 to 6.15pm and other times  
by arrangement

### ROSARY:

Mon-Sat After 10.00am Mass - unless there is  
a funeral

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### Season Of Lent

This year, due to Covid restrictions, there will be no morning Masses in the school through Lent.

### Stations Of The Cross

During Lent, to offer you the opportunity for extra prayer, there will be Stations of the Cross before morning Mass Monday to Saturday beginning at 9.45am. On Sundays there will be Stations of the Cross and Benediction at 4.00pm.

A reminder that Stations of the Cross are also available in the Chapel Grounds

### Feast Days

Thursday 10 March—Feast of St John Ogilvie

### Second Collection

The second collection this week is for Sick and Retired Priests

### Children's Liturgy Lent

During the weeks of Lent, the children will be following the Fourth Wise Man. He was too late to see Jesus in Bethlehem and spent the next thirty years searching for him. Each week of Lent, the children will hear, through the gospel, what lessons he learned on his journey to find Jesus. The first week of Lent, the children will, like Jesus, be asked to listen to the Holy Spirit.

### WEE BOX, BIG CHANGE

Every Lent, between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday, dozens of Parishioners save money in their SCIAF WEE BOX to help give a hand up to people living in poverty.

By giving up a treat and putting what you save into a WEE BOX you can make a lasting difference to families in some of the world's poorest countries. Please take a Wee Box home and, for your convenience, return it on Easter Sunday and we will organise the pay-in for you.

## Why I Love Lent

Of all the seasons in the Church year, Lent is the one to which I'm most drawn. It's a season of spiritual reset and reorientation, a deliberate move to be joined to the story of Jesus. While I appreciate the other seasons of the Church year, Lent is the one which absolutely refuses to make space for plastic, mediocre Catholicism. Lent doesn't have time for fakery. Lent begins with a reminder we are dust, and dust is our earthly destiny. I love Lent because it's about victory. Lent is a solemn time, there's no question. I love it because it doesn't take a childish look at the Catholic life. It takes a hard look at it. It's real in its assessment of it. It's gritty and not afraid to get down in the dirt with the hard questions of Catholicism and the challenges of living the Catholic life. Through this all there is the victory that Lent ultimately is all about.

During Lent we are encouraged to get to the real deal and say "Here I am, Lord, will you take me?"

### **LENTFEST:**

Lentfest Online began this week with links to these and other free virtual events at [www.agap.org.uk/lentfest](http://www.agap.org.uk/lentfest)

### **Sun 6 March @ 7pm: ONLINE PREMIERE: Martin Jones in Concert**

An intimate concert by Singer-Songwriter and Celtic Music Radio Presenter. An eclectic mix of country, blues, soul and folk with original songs in English and Spanish as well as a few covers. Followed by live Zoom chat at 8pm.

**40 Days for Life Peaceful Prayer Vigil outside of QEUH : What are you going to do for Lent?** The Encyclical The Gospel of Life was 'the fruit of the cooperation of the Episcopate of every country of the world, it is therefore meant to be a *precise and vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability, and at the same time a pressing appeal addressed to each and every person, on the name of God: respect, protect, love and serve life every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!*' Gospel of Life para 5. What are **you going to do** for Lent? Will you come and pray peacefully outside of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital for one hour each week during Lent? This is our seventh year of Vigil, do not be afraid! For more information email [Ogilvie1615@outlook.com](mailto:Ogilvie1615@outlook.com)

### **Pilgrimage to Rome:**

The Archdiocesan Youth Office is running a 5-night pilgrimage to Rome this June, departing on Friday, 24th June and returning Wednesday, 29th June 2022. This trip is for those who are aged 18 - 30 and is set to be a great opportunity to deepen your faith, meet other young Catholics and check out the beautiful sights Rome has to offer. If you would like more information, check out our website: [www.rcagyouth.co.uk](http://www.rcagyouth.co.uk) or email [youth@rcag.org.uk](mailto:youth@rcag.org.uk). Places are limited.

### **Assisted Suicide:**

"Liam McArthur MSP is planning on bringing a bill to legalise assisted suicide in Scotland later this year. MSPs need to hear from you why assisted suicide is dangerous and should never be legalised in Scotland. To help you contact your MSPs, SPUC has created an easy to use web tool. Please go to [www.spuc.org.uk/assistedsuicidescotland](http://www.spuc.org.uk/assistedsuicidescotland), and enter your postcode to send an email to all eight of your MSPs."

### **Scotland's Census 2022:**

Later this month every household in the country will be contacted about Scotland's Census. The deadline for completion of the census is 20 March 2022, known as Census Day. You can find out more about the 2022 Census here: [Scotland's Census 2022 | Scotland's Census \(scotlandscensus.gov.uk\)](https://www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk). You can access resources (includes accessible formats and translations e.g. Polish): [Stakeholder promotional materials | Scotland's Census \(scotlandscensus.gov.uk\)](https://www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk)

### **Brecbannoch Pilgrimage:**

The inaugural Brecbannoch Pilgrimage will take place 11-13 June 2022. The Brecbannoch is a 50-mile pilgrimage undertaken on foot from Oban to Iona, with the special purpose of praying for the renewal of the faith in Scotland. Along the way, we will carry the relics of St Columba, St Andrew and St Margaret, invoking their protection over the Church in these isles. Sign up before places run out at: [www.brecbannoch.org/sign-up](http://www.brecbannoch.org/sign-up)