

ST PATRICK'S DUMBARTON

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SUNDAY 8TH MARCH 2026 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT MASS BOOK YEAR A, VOLUME 1, PAGE 158	
Tuesday	Feast of St John Ogilvie

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	10 am, 12 noon, 5.30 pm Lenten Devotions—Stations of the Cross 3 pm
Monday to Friday	Monday 10 am Tuesday to Friday 10.00 am and 7.00 pm
Tuesday Thursday	Lunchtime Mass at OLSP—12.40 pm 8.30 am Mass in St Peter's Primary School) No Mass in St Patrick's Primary this lent due to renovations
Saturday	10 am, 5 pm (vigil)
	Rosary: After 10am Mass (except when there is a Funeral)
	Confessions: Daily after 10 am Mass. Saturday 4.15-4.45 pm Confession available at other times by arrangement

PREVIOUS COLLECTION

Date	Gift Aid	Offertory	Second Collection
08.03.26	£814.67	£1,631.45	£1,319.00 Sick & Retired Priests

THE PARISH

MONDAY 9TH MARCH

There will be no 7pm Mass due to P3 children making their First Confession.

SECOND COLLECTION

The 2nd Collection for this week for Sick and Retired Priests. In order to relieve the financial burden on Parishioners the Archdiocese has decided not to ask for a 2nd Collection for Sick & Retired Priests which is due to be collected on Palm Sunday on the 29th of March. This reduces the number of Sick & Retired Priests Collections from 5 to 4 per year

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

Will be for SCIAF

CANDLE STANDS

Using a Candle in Church is a significant act of prayer; for that reason we offer this facility within the Church. Extensive research into candle burning indicates that the smoke causes soot issues on ceilings and around statues, etc. In the coming weeks we will move to a safer smoke free paraffin wax candle dispenser that is cleaner. There will be a suggested cost of a candle of 50p to allow the church to continue to fund the candles. A contactless payment facility will be available for Candles if you wish to pay in that way. Many of you pay much more than that currently and we thank you for your continued support.

ST. PATRICK'S STATUE AND STONEMWORK

The scaffolding around the main entrance is to facilitate the renewal of our St. Patrick's Statue and refurbishment of the stonework. The new statue has now been installed and will be blessed at the 7pm Mass on 17th March. A huge thanks to all who worked to make this possible.

INSTALLATION OF DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE

In response to numerous requests from parishioners, we will be installing contactless donation facilities in the coming weeks. We will install two

terminals in the main Foyer of the Church which are designed to be simple for donors to give a donation by card, while simultaneously registering that donation for Gift Aid. We hope they are a supportive medium for parishioners to continue financially supporting the Parish.

ST. PATRICK'S LENTEN CATECHESIS

The talks on Catholic Social Teaching will take place in St Patrick's Church Hall on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm. The talk this week will be on **11th March—Abound in every good work:** The dignity of work.

PRAYER REQUEST RCIA

Please keep in your Prayers our 8 Candidates and Catechumens who are preparing to receive the Sacraments at Easter. Teah, Frank, Rhiannon, Mark, Pamela, Erin, Liezel and Harry have been accepted by the Archbishop to become full members of the Catholic Church. This week they will be presented with copies of the Creed and Our Father. These are the last steps before becoming full members of the Church at the Easter Service. Please support them with your encouragement and prayers during these last few weeks before Easter.

ST PATRICK'S NIGHT

Saturday, 21st March at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. Join us in celebrating the Patron Saint of our Parish—St Patrick. There will be a celebration in the hall, with a live band 'FAIRPLAY' playing. Tickets are £5 each and can be obtained by phoning Christine 07955941489.. Why not come along and join us?

GIFT AID

Next month the new Gift Aid Booklets shall be distributed. If you have moved to a new home since last April could you please let us know. Forms shall be available in the Church Porch, please complete with your new address and hand it in to the Chapel House by **Sunday 8 March**. The Forms shall be kept after this time to ensure Members information is as up-to-date as possible. Thank you.

SPRED

SPRED are hoping to set up a group in the area and are looking for vol-

unteers. Someone will speak at the end of each Mass this weekend.

ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

FLOURISH

The special Lent edition of Flourish is now available free. Please take home a copy. It has an interesting centre spread on how to 'reboot' your Lenten observances. The new edition also has the Pope's letter for Lent, details of a planned pilgrimage for young people to World Youth Day, a focus on the upcoming vote on Assisted Suicide in the Scottish Parliament, details of the St Patrick's Day celebrations in Glasgow and news from around the parishes and schools.

RCAG YOUNG ADULTS – ENGAGING YOUR WORKPLACE WITH FAITH

RCAG Youth invites young adults (ages 16–35) to explore how we can live our Catholic faith authentically at work — and discover how everyday work can become a place of vocation, holiness, and mission. The session will include a talk by guest speaker Dermot Grenham from Opus Dei and a reflection on how work and rest together form a rhythm of holiness in our lives. Whether you are a student, professional, or discerning your next steps, you are warmly welcome. Thursday, 12 March from 7–9 pm in Eyre Hall. To register go to RCAGyouth.co.uk

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