

SUNDAY BULLETIN



Sunday 14th April, 2024

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL & ST MATTHEW'S

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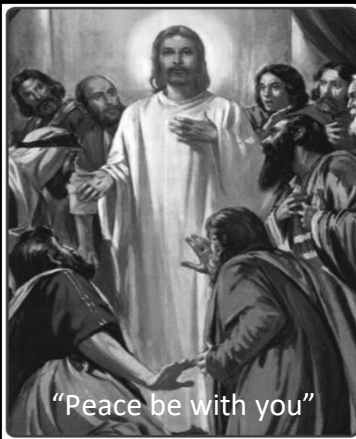
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Liturgy:	3rd Sunday of Easter (B)
Divine Office:	Volume 2. Week 3 with proper of season.
Sunday Masses:	9.30am at St Matthew's, Grassyards Road 11.30am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Kirkton Road
Psalm 4 Response:	Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia! Alleluia! 'Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.' Alleluia!
Memorial Acclamation:	We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again. (twice).

Please, ask your child(ren) to return to you immediately after the Children's Liturgy if you do not wish them to be captured on the live-stream recording.

LIVESTREAM MASSES: [YouTube Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Matthew's Kilmarnock](#) and [YouTube St Joseph's Church Kilmarnock](#)

Service Schedule for the Forthcoming Week

3rd Sunday of Easter 14th April	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: Rose Brown (RecDec), Jennifer Thomson (Ann).	11.30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: Harry Sammons (RecDec), Maryann Gallagher (Ann), Bridget McGonagle (Ann) and Bob McCloskey (Ann).	Luke 24:35-48
Monday 15th April	The Parish Office is closed on Mondays.		John 6:22-29
Tuesday 16th April	10am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Requiem for Mrs Sarah Hall RIP	John 6:30-35
Wednesday 17th April	10.00am Mass at St Matthew's 7pm Mass in St Matthew's	10am Intention: Po Kam Faustina Wong (RecDec) and Murdoch McGuire (RecDec) 7pm Intention: Fr Martin RIP	John 6:35-40
Thursday 18th April	9.30am Rosary at St Matthew's 10am Mass at St Matthew's	Intention: Mary McGowne (RecDec), Tom & Hugh Gallacher (Ann's)	John 6:44-51
Friday 19th April	9.30am Rosary at Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10.00am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: Margaret McNamara (RecDec)	John 6:52-59
Saturday 20th April	9.30am Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St Matthew's	10.00am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: Neil Laird (RecDec) and Margaret Carten (Ann)	6.00pm Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's John 6:60-69
4th Sunday of Easter 21st April	9.30am Mass at St. Matthew's Intention: Rose Brown (RecDec)	11.30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Intention: Mary McGowne (RecDec).	John 10:11-18

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Recently Deceased: Fr Martin Chambers, Margaret McNamara, Harry Sammons, Brian Faulkner, Neil Laird, Jack Jolly, Murdoch McGuire, Rose Brown, Sarah Hall, John McNulty, Patsy Doherty, John Cuthbert, Po Kam Faustina Wong, and all victims of war and violence.

Anniversaries: Sr Imelda, Gemma Kirkwood, Ernie McGarry, Jennifer Thomson, Margaret Carten, Maryann Gallagher (Ann), Bridget McGonagle (Ann) and Bob McCloskey (Ann). Tom & Hugh Gallacher (Ann's)

People who are ill: Margaret Fitzpatrick, Kathleen McCallum, Mary McLaughlin, Eimear Callaghan, David O'Callaghan, Michelle Hanlon, Michelle Dunne, Leona McAllister, Donald Gibon, Frank Mullen, Helen O'Donnell, Frances O'Neill, Helen McClure, James Hughes, Max McLean, Mary Rea, Stuart Mason, Carolanne Gallagher, Charlie Smith, Gerda Devlin and Margaret Gay.

(Please let us know if any circumstances change).

A message from our Bishop

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As with many of you I am mourning the loss of our own Fr Martin Chambers. This is a personal loss to so many across the Diocese and beyond (right across the Atlantic to Ecuador). We think in particular of his family whom he loved so much.

He was a man of great love, enthusiasm and faith. He gave everything for the People of God, and so many have been touched by him. We only learn to love if we have been loved first: Fr Martin was one of the finest teachers in how to love, and so was a true instrument of God.

As he looked forward to his new role as Bishop, he spoke often as being a missionary disciple and he certainly was that.

Can I ask that in a special way, you take care of your priests more than ever in the days that follow? They have lost a brother and need your love.


We continue to pray for each other, for his family and for the repose of his soul.



+ Frank Dougan
Bishop of Galloway

Fr Martin Chambers RIP
1964-2024

SACRAMENTS

Marriage	By arrangement with Fr. Jim. The Diocese of Galloway requires that couples give a minimum of six months' notice of their intention to marry
Baptism	By arrangement with Fr. Jim on a mutually suitable date and time
Reconciliation	Tuesdays and Saturdays during Exposition and at any other time on request at suitable times.
	Community Support. A Donation's box is located at the Church entrance. Thank you for your continuing generosity. 'Bags for Life' are always welcome.
	OLMC SSVF Conference. All donations are most welcome and needed. Please use the Donations Box as you leave the church. Email: olmc_ssvp@icloud.com

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS. With grateful thanks we acknowledge the following generosity

OLMC	1st: £188.38 and the 2nd collection for Holy Places: £179.75
ST MATTHEW'S	1st: £260.13 and the 2nd collection for Holy Places: £305.61 with the Community Box: £133.65

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Ministry Rota for 14th April 2024– Third Sunday of Easter-Year B.

Scripture	Acts 3:13-15,17-19.	Psalm 4	I John 2:1-5.	<i>Luke 24:35-48</i>
St. Matthew's	Readers: Maureen Bradley, Fred Stacey and Maureen Walsh. Euch.Ministers: Maureen Thomson (L), Larry Tommie (L), Martin Dempster (L), Catherine Brown (R), Philip Brown (R).			
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Readers: Brian Murphy and Josephine McCrossan. Euch.Ministers: Agnes Starrs, Marie Wilkie and Marion Smith.			

Ministry Rota for 21st April 2024– Fourth Sunday of Easter-Year B.

Scripture	Acts 4:8-12	Psalm 117	I John 3:1-2.	<i>John 10:11-18</i>
St. Matthew's	Readers: Veronica Kelly, Kenny Ainsworth, Orla Duff Euch.Ministers: Maureen Thomson (L), Fred Stacey (L), Stephen Duff (L), Louise Johnston (R), Sr Juliet (R).			
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Readers: Josephine McCrossan and Donna Shearer Euch.Ministers: Suzy Hollywood, Luke Shearer and Sister			

NOTICES

<p>REST IN PEACE</p>	<p>Please remember in your prayers the soul of Mrs Sarah Hall RIP Sarah's Requiem will take place in OLMC at 10am on Tuesday 16th April followed by final commendation at Holmsford Bridge Crematorium. We send our sincere condolences and prayers to her grieving family and friends at this difficult time. <i>May she rest in peace, Amen.</i></p>
<p>Dear friends, we are all in shock with the news of Fr Martin's passing. This is a very difficult time for us all and it is important we look after one another. Please do not mourn alone, if you need to talk, talk. If you need to stay in church, stay, if you need to cry, cry, if you need a hug, ask for one, if you wish to light a candle, light one. This is how we are supposed to feel when someone we love has passed away. St Paul tells us to mourn for those we have lost but to do so as people of faith and our faith in the Resurrection and the Life matters more now than it has ever done, it is sewn into every tear and every ache we feel at this time. Our many, many wonderful memories of Fr Martin will console us too, so make sure we are talking about them to one another and in the midst of our sorrow we will need to laugh as we remember his antics, love and that unmistakable laugh of his. St Paul goes on to say it is with such thoughts as these that we should comfort one another. Let us do that in this time of mourning.</p> <p>It is too soon to know of any funeral arrangements which will be publicised in due course and it is too early to plan any parish or local Memorial but we will of course do this. Let us just be here for one another in our sorrow and grief for our dear friend, Fr Martin. In each of our churches we have made a memorial table and on that table are Books of Condolence which you are invited to contribute to. These will be given to Fr Martin's family at a later date. Write as much or as little as you wish. Fr Martin will of course be remembered at all our Masses. The liturgy reminds us that for we who believe death is a change not an ending. It is at Mass that the Church on earth and the Church in heaven are united.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">It is there we will pray for the repose of his soul and the comfort of our hearts. With my very kind wishes to you all at this time of sorrow and mourning.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Fr Jim</i></p>	
<p>Offertory Envelopes</p>	<p>Our thanks to those parishioners in St Matthew's community who make their weekly offering using the weekly envelopes for their patience and understanding as we sort out the new batch of envelopes for the coming year. If you could use the white envelopes in the church porch for the time being, writing your normal envelope number on them it will help the counting team to ensure it is all recorded properly. We hope to have it resolved as soon as possible. Thank you.</p>
<p>Diocesan Youth Evening</p>	<p>The diocesan Youth Ministry Office team invite all our young people to their next event at St Matthew's tonight (Sunday 14th April) beginning with Mass at 6pm and ending at 8.30pm. Our guest is our new Bishop, Bishop Frank. So to all our young folk here in our parishes we ask you to take the time next Sunday to come to this event and meet our new Bishop-he is keen to see you all and get to know you.</p>
<p>Youth Hub</p>	<p>All our young people from p.7 up to VI form in Secondary School are invited to join us for the Youth Hub meetings. The next meeting take place in St Matthew's Hall on Thursday 25th April from 6.30pm till 8.30pm-it is free!</p>
<p>OLMC 1st Communion Parents meeting</p>	<p>The parents of the First Holy Communion children who will receive the Sacrament in OLMC Church during the month of May are invited to a meeting in OLMC at 7pm on Tuesday 16th April to discuss the arrangements for the Holy Communion Masses.</p>
<p>St Matthew's 1st Communion Parents meeting</p>	<p>The parents of the First Holy Communion children who will receive the Sacrament in St Matthew's Church during the month of May are invited to a meeting in St Matthew's Hall at 7pm on Thursday 18th April to discuss the arrangements for the Holy Communion Masses.</p>
<p>Access to Church</p>	<p>If you are having difficulty getting to Mass because of transport issues then our parishes are committed to operating a monthly free Taxi service. Contact the Parish Office by phone or email.</p>
<p>Used Stamps Wanted!</p>	<p>Don't throw out your used stamps as they can be collected to benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society all year round. Please leave in the Church Porch for collection. Thanks for all your support.</p>
<p>Seniors Tea for Easter</p>	<p>SSVP will be hosting another free afternoon tea event for our seniors in the Norbert Room this coming Saturday (13th) from 1pm to 3pm. To help with catering please sign-up on the sheet in the Norbert Room. Seniors Age 60 plus from either of our parishes are welcome.</p>
<p>The Glasgow Phoenix Choir with Guests "A Choired Taste" from Kilmarnock</p>	<p>Parishioners who are members of the local "A Choired Taste" invite you to join them at the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall-New Auditorium on Saturday 20th April at 2.30pm for the annual Festival of Scottish Choirs. Tickets £20 and £22.50 available from any choir member or call the Box Office on 0141 353 8000. They'd appreciate a lot of local support on this very prestigious event for them.</p>
<p>Kiltwalk- Mighty Stride</p>	<p>OLMC parishioners, Owen Jones and Agnes Starrs, are both taking part in this 23 mile sponsored walk from Glasgow Green to Balloch, Loch Lomond in aid of 2 worthy charities- The MS Society and Ayrshire Cancer Support on Sunday 28th April. Your support will be gratefully received-have a wee look for their sponsor forms at the back of both our Churches or to make an online donation they both have a justgiving page log onto www.justgiving.com and search for "Glasgow Kiltwalk 2024" and then you can search for them by name or by charity in that category and make a donation. Last year over 5.1 million pounds was raised at this event for Scottish Charities. Good luck to them both!</p>



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