

# St. Lucy's Parish

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## EASTER SUNDAY

### This Week in the Parish

#### Sunday:

11.00am Mass with baptism  
6.00pm Vespers, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

#### Monday

##### Octave of Easter

9.10am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
7.15pm Pro-Life Rosary Group

#### Tuesday

##### Octave of Easter

9.00am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
6.00pm Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament

#### Wednesday

##### Octave of Easter

9.00am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
*Fr. Joe's day off*

#### Thursday

##### Octave of Easter

9.30am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer  
11.00am Dunreath- Morning of Recollection for Priests

#### Friday

##### Octave of Easter

9.00am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass  
6.00pm Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament

#### Saturday

##### Octave of Easter

9.00am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mass

6.00pm Vigil Mass for Divine Mercy Sunday

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday

10.30-11.00am: 5.15 – 5.45pm

**Ambassadors for Christ and for St. Lucy's** Over the last six years our parish has sent a number of different people to represent us at various spiritual events in the life of the Church

and the Diocese. Tom and Maaureen Mullen were sent to Lourdes, Gavin Shirkie to the World Youth Day in Sydney and myself, Karen Gallagher, Cavan Reilly, Megan Mc Coll and Chivon Gray to the World Youth Day in Madrid. This year, at the suggestion of the conference of St. Vincent de Paul, I have agreed that we should send Carol Ferns of Lime Crescent as our representative at the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. I think this is a wonderful idea and I once again appeal to your generosity as we arrange some fund-raising events to help with the costs.

Lourdes is such an important place in the life of the Church and has been, for as long as I remember (and that is now a fairly long time) been very much at the heart of the life of the Catholic Church in Scotland. I myself would say that my own pilgrimages to Lourdes with the Boys' Guild and later with all sorts of different groups gave me a wonderful sense of the universality of the Catholic Church and her openness to all people and religions. Carol will take with her our prayers and petitions and will be a kind of 'sacramental' sign of St. Lucy's in Lourdes.

#### Welcoming new life into our Church and our Parish

During the Easter Vigil, tonight, **Maureen Avis and her son, Kevin Avis** will be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church, make their First Holy Communion and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation which will be conferred by me by delegation from the Archbishop. I will use the new

oil blessed at the Mass of Chrism by the Bishop, who alone has the authority to bless the Oil of Chrism. Since the sacrament of baptism does not require an ordained minister for validity, Maureen and Kevin were both validly baptised into the Episcopalian tradition. They were for many years parishioners of the Holy Name Episcopal Church in Cumbernauld. Whilst the Episcopalian Church does celebrate the sacraments, we have no way of knowing if they are valid. Since their bishops and priests cannot trace their sacred Orders back to the Apostles, the Catholic Church does not recognise the validity of their Sacred Orders, and hence of the sacraments conferred, except baptism. Maureen Keenan will be sponsor for Kevin and Avril Kelly for Maureen. Both Maureen and Avril have been working with Kevin and Maureen to catechise and prepare them for this joyous event in their life of faith. On Easter Sunday itself, during 11am Mass, **Emily Carole Mowat** will be baptised with the new waters blessed at the Easter Vigil. The second child of Barry and Nicola and brother to Luke, we rejoice with them that she will receive the gift of new life, the foretaste and promise of the life to come.

#### Parish Finance

##### MANY THANKS

#### First Collection

Non-GAD	£ 246.22
GAD	£ 315.00
Stall	£ 208.31

#### Second Collection

##### Sick and Retired Priests

Non-GAD	£183.17
GAD	£168.00

**This Week Second Collection is for the parish**

#### Please Pray For RIP

Agnes Mc Fadden, Laura Mc Cauley and Catherine Healey

#### Month's mind

Margaret Macpherson and Edward Devine

#### Anniversaries

Sr. Jean Hastie, Joseph Hart and Peter Hastie

#### Sick

Fr. James Andrew Berry,  
Fr. Thomas Hurley and  
Fr. Noel Barry

**Thanks** There is an old Scots saying: "*It takes a mikel to mack a mukle*" which I believe means that every little bit counts. Our grateful thanks must go to all who have worked so hard to prepare the Church and the liturgies during Lent and especially in Holy Week. Sadly Eleanor Gardiner, who works so hard to animate and develop the music ministry in the parish has been taken ill and is unable to enjoy the fruits of her labour. We hope she will soon recover. The readers and music ministry have given most generously of their time and, as I write, I hope and pray that the Lord will bless all our efforts. But to all of you who in great ways and small have given of yourself in the service of the Lord and his Church I offer my sincere thanks and blessings. As a priest, it is most fulfilling to be able to share the journey of faith with people who are so committed.

**A very happy, holy and blessed Easter to you all.**