

30th/31st March 2024

Bishop Toal's Easter Message

I wish everyone a very Happy Easter and pray for the blessing of the Risen Lord upon us all and our world. We pray especially that the peace offered by Christ as he appeared to his disciples at Easter may reign everywhere, especially among the peoples of his own land. May new hope spring up, even among the debris of war and the awful reality of human suffering and death.

The Wellspring Project, which I recently initiated in our Diocese, seeks to encourage a new vision and a desire for growth and participation in the life and mission of the Church here in Motherwell. The Scriptures frequently use the image of water and the new growth it brings. The Easter Liturgies highlight water also, and invite us to renew our baptismal promises, revived in the new life in the Spirit poured out upon us in the Sacraments. The Wellspring Project invites our parishes in particular to respond with fervour to our baptismal calling, and to continue to celebrate our faith and to form communities of faith, hope, and love in the great mission entrusted to us by the Lord Jesus. The joy and enthusiasm of Easter does offer an opportunity to welcome and promote participation in our Parish and Diocesan Life. Easter is the time for new beginnings and fresh hope, trusting in the Lord's abiding presence and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

This Easter I ask for your support, and especially your prayers, for the Wellspring Project, as we all strive to serve the Lord with thanksgiving in our hearts and fresh vigour in our actions.

With renewed Easter greetings, Yours in Christ,

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SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil (Sat) at 4:30pm and Sunday at 10am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday at 7pm, Tuesday to Friday at 9:30am and Saturday at 10am

Confessions

Saturday after the 10am Mass and from 4pm-4:20pm

Hymns for the 10am Mass

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GIFT AID SCHEME

For every pound a parishioner who pays tax gives to the parish, we can claim back 25p. If you pay tax, please consider joining the Gift Aid scheme. It is very easy. All you need to do is fill out a short form. You can also donate from your bank account using a standing order. For more information contact Fr Vincent or Brian Skeffington



Fontes Magazine

Copies of the diocesan magazine are available for at the back of the church. You can also

download it at rcdom.org.uk

Last Sunday's collection: £675 Sick and retired clergy: £415

Many thanks

Easter Collection

The Easter Collection is now due. Gift Aid members, use the envelope from your booklet.

Prayer at the sending out of the Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and housebound

- *Priest:* Almighty and loving Father, as we have received your Son in this Holy Eucharist, we ask you to hear our prayer for our brothers and sisters:
- *All:* Give your healing, Lord, to those who are sick and housebound. May those who take the Body of Christ to them also be a loving sign of our prayers and thoughts.

Keep us united with them in all their sufferings so that we will grow together as one community with the presence of Christ among us. Amen.



Please pray for the Sick of our parish and



Anniversary Helen Bolland

Months Mind Henry Harper, Mary & Robert McGuigan and Mary O'Byrne



