

ST FRANCIS ABERDEEN. 17TH MARCH 2024. 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT. SC005122.

Mond 18th March: Mass at 10.00am.

Tuesd 19th March: Mass at 10.00am.

Wedn 20th March: Mass at 10.00am.

Thurs 21st March: Mass at 10.00am. Mass of Chrism. St Mary's 6.00pm.

Frid 22nd March: Mass at 10.00am. Station Mass *St Francis*. Preacher Fr. Keith

(Confessions 6pm. Stations of the Cross 6.30pm. Mass at 7.00pm)

Satur 23rd March: Mass at 10.00am.

Sund 24th March: *Palm Sunday* Masses at 11.00am and 6.00pm.

Offertory: £850. Sunday 10th March. Charity Box: £150. Very Many thanks. And thanks to those who gift-aid their contribution. If you are a taxpayer, 20% of your contribution can be reclaimed.

On Thursday 21st March, Bishop Hugh will celebrate the *Mass of the Holy Oils*. Fresh oils are blessed every year at this time for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Sacrament of the Sick. All the Diocesan Priests will gather at St Marys to renew their Priestly vows and their commitment to Priestly Service in the Diocese of Aberdeen. All welcome.

Masses for the Sacred Triduum:

Holy Thursday 28th March. Mass of the Last Supper at 7.30pm.

Good Friday Liturgy: 29th March 3.00pm. Reading of Passion, Kissing of Cross and H. Communion.

Easter Vigil 30th March at 8.00pm.

Between this Sunday and until Lent begins, monies now raised in the wooden box will go *SCIAF*. Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund. It's not too late to pick up a *Wee Box* for your loose change.

On Friday 22nd March St Francis Parish celebrates the final *Lenten Station* Mass.

We are keen to have young people reading at Mass. Please let *Gloria Adebo* know if you would like to volunteer or you may put your names and details on the notice board. We hope to set up a rota.

Robert Gordon's University have a Catholic Mass every Wed in Riverside Building. Details from Fr. Emmet O'Dowd on eod@rcda.scot. Or Instagram [rgucathsoc](https://www.instagram.com/rgucathsoc).

See *poster* in church: You may wish to send a postcard (free at back of church) to your M.P., asking them to support a law change to lower the abortion time limit

*For those wishing to make a **Sunday Offering**, you may wish to pay directly to the Bank. Details: R.C. Diocese of Aberdeen, Mannofield, St Francis No 2 Acc. Acc No 00759404. Sort-Code 80-05-17. Many thanks to those who do Gift-Aid. You may make a direct debit, or put the envelopes into the Offertory Collection. There are gift-Aid envelopes for single use donations at the back of the church.*

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