Pray for those who died recently
David McCreadie (Bellshill), John McGlone (Langside, Glasgow), Dr. Felix Marcuccilli, Trisha Lindsay, Jim McFarlane, Bernard Sweeney, John Higgins, Rose Moore (Hamilton), Marie Queen (Hamilton), Brian Maguire, Marie Heggie.

Months Minds, Anniversaries & Remembrances
Hélène Quinn, Joseph McCulloch, Peter & Mary Briody, John Reavey, Margaret Reavey, Margaret McConville, John Davaar Drive, Forgewood, Motherwell, ML1 3TW
Please pray for the Sick
Angela Nailen, Michael Hainey, Claire Rafferty, Katherine Burt, Maureen Collins, Karon Ann Firth (Gibson), Rachel McGhee, Patricia Williamson (East Kilbride), Jon Ross (Glasgow), Natasha Mackin, Margaret Borthwick, Jean McAllister, Betty Moore, Brian Chambers (France), Fr Ted Holmes, Betsy Walsh, Nyla Clarke, Baby Jacob Anthony Gallagher, Martina Bowman, Imody Deerin, Tom Cartwright, Margaret Allen, Cathie Swanszy, Rose Docherty (Bothwell), James Morgan Jnr (Glasgow), Karen Davies (Stonehouse), Pat Moore (Southport), May Morris (Crawford Street), Richard Chalmers, Joss Millar, Bob Mechan, Mary Kelly, Neil Slavin, Helen Slavin, Catherine McLaughlin, Mary McCullagh, Baby Holly Krugers, Bill Gray, Thomas Tonner, Willie McFall, Derek Blaney, Mary Douglas, Denis Desmond, Pat McAtamney, Karen Kerr, Michael Porter, Akhtar Ali (Pakistan), Mary Conway (Hamilton), Fr Iain Duggan O.F.M., Canon John McAuley (Glasgow), Peter Lees, Alex Curran (Viewpark).

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FINANCIAL MATTERS
• GIFTAID ENVELOPES will be available for the new financial year from next weekend. Please use your new envelopes from 9th/10th April.
• If you are not yet in the GiftAid Scheme for the parish and you pay tax, please, please consider joining today. Call to the sacristy for a GiftAid form and complete it today or during the week and return the form to us by next weekend. Thank you.
• The Easter Collection will be taken up next Sunday (Easter Sunday) as a Second Collection. Please use the Easter Collection Envelope attached to this weekend’s bulletin. (If you are in GiftAid please use the appropriate envelope from your current book of envelopes or use the Easter Collection Envelope attached and write your GIFTAID NUMBER clearly on the envelope. Thank you.)
• Since we are only a few weeks away from the uniting of both parishes on Pentecost Sunday (15th May) we ask St Luke’s parishioners who are in the GiftAID scheme to sign a new declaration in favour of the Cathedral Parish which will include St Luke’s Church. Forms are available from St Luke’s Church and the Cathedral House.

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Donations in the Charity Boxes in both churches during March will be for Macmillan Cancer Support

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Palm Sunday
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5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday
Blessing of Palms & St Luke’s Passion Proclamation

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6.30 pm Mass for Palm Sunday
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Monday 21st March
8.15 am Mass in the Cathedral Primary School
9.35 am Stations of the Cross
10.00 am Mass for Monday of Holy Week
6.00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.00 pm
Confessions from 6.00 pm until 6.55 pm
7.00 pm Holy Year Service (Jubilee Prayers & Benediction)
Prayers and Reflections on the Passion of the Lord
Confessions afterwards until 8.00 pm

Tuesday 22nd March
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Wednesday 23rd March
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10.00 am Mass for Wednesday of Holy Week
10.30 am Confessions until 11.00 am
6.00 pm Rehearsal for Altar Servers for Holy Thursday

Thursday 24th March
**HOLY THURSDAY**
11.30 am Mass of the Chrism in the Cathedral
The Sacred Triduum
7.30 pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper
Collection for the Poor, Washing of the Feet and Procession to the Altar of Repose
11.00 pm Night Prayer at the Altar of Repose

Friday 25th March
**GOOD FRIDAY (A Day of Fast and Abstinence)**
10.00 am Morning Prayer of the Church
12 noon Stations of the Cross
Collection for the Holy Places and Veneration of the Cross
3.00 pm Liturgy of the Passion and Death
Collection for the Holy Places, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion
7.30 pm Prayer Around the Cross with Taizé Chants
Collection for the Holy Places and Veneration of the Cross

Saturday 26th March
**HOLY SATURDAY**
10.00 am Morning Prayer of the Church
12 noon Cathedral closed. Re-opens at 6.45 pm
7.30 pm The Vigil of Easter in the Holy Night
Service of Light, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of Baptism, Liturgy of the Eucharist

Sunday 27th March
10.30 am Easter Sunday Mass
6.30 pm Easter Sunday Mass
Blessing with the Easter Water & Renewal of Baptismal Promises

COME AND CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK IN ST LUKE’S PARISH

Saturday 19th March
3.45 pm Confessions until 4.15 pm
4.30 pm Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday
Blessing of Palms & St Luke’s Passion Proclamation

Sunday 20th March
9.30 am Mass for Palm Sunday
Blessing of Palms & St Luke’s Passion Proclamation

Monday 21st March
9.10 am Stations of the Cross
9.30 am Mass for Monday of Holy Week

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Please remember that Easter Sunday morning Mass in St Luke’s will be celebrated

**SCIAF’S WEE BOXES**
The ideal time to return your almsgiving for SCIAF is at the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday evening. Of course we are happy to receive the WEE BOXES at another suitable time. However, don’t hold on to them for too long as we need to make our return to SCIAF in good time to claim the UK government’s deal to double your offerings for SCIAF!

**GOOD FRIDAY** is a day of fast and abstinence. Here the fast entails having only one full meal a day which is sufficient to maintain ones strength. Two other meatless meals are allowed, but are to be light and pentitential. Everyone 14 years of age and older is bound to the law of abstinence, and everyone 18 years of age but not yet 60 is bound to the law of fasting. Of course, be mindful of your own physical condition. These physical sacrifices help each of us to be spiritually mindful that Our Lord suffered and died for our sins.

Moreover, we should recall that every Friday of the year outside Lent remains a day of penance. While each individual may substitute the traditional abstinance from meat for another practice of self-denial or personal penance, each person should strive to do some penance to atone for sin.

Charity Race Night 22 April 7.30 pm St Bride’s Hall
“I am running a Charity Race Night to raise funds for a project in Southern India where my niece will be volunteering for a year from August. She will be working with very poor, vulnerable children. Tickets for the event are £5 (including pie/sausage roll). You can also "buy" your own horse at a cost of £5. Please come along and have a flutter in a good cause.” - Mairi Timmons.

Tickets from Mairi Timmons (after 10.30 Mass) Joanna Mitchell (after 5.30 Vigil Mass).

You are invited to St Bride’s Hall after the Easter Vigil on Saturday for snacks and refreshments (including tea and coffee).