

Programme for St Andrew's:-

Sunday 3rd March

11.00am Mass

6.30pm Mass

Monday 4th March

10.00am Eucharistic Service

Tuesday 5th March

10.00am Eucharistic Service

Ash Wednesday 6th March

10.00am Mass

7.00pm Mass

Thursday 7th March

10.00am Eucharistic Service

Friday 8th March

10.00am Eucharistic Service

Saturday 8th March

4.45pm – 5.15pm

Confessions **(and on request)**

5.30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 10th March

11.00am Mass

6.30pm Mass

Very sadly, Father John Atoba has had to step down permanently from being priest-in-residence at St. Andrew's due to ill-health. We are grateful for Father John's presence amongst us at St. Andrew's and we remember Father John in our prayers and hope he is soon back to full health. This means that, at the moment, Father Desmond has responsibility for St. Edward's and St. Andrew's parishes.

Father Bobby Kane is very kindly looking after the weekend Masses this weekend and next.

On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday there will be a Eucharistic Service at 10.00am.

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and a day of Fasting and Abstinence. Masses in St. Andrew's with the distribution of Ashes will be celebrated by Father Bobby at 10.00am and 7.00pm.

Fairtrade Fortnight Event, A Fairtrade Chocolate Extravaganza is being held in St Andrew's Hospice on Saturday 9th March from 11am – 12Noon. Taste the delights of Justice for the poor. Eat and drink Justice. Fairtrade tea and coffee also available. Everyone is welcome.

Many sincere thanks to the most generous response of £900 to the Foreign Mission Appeal last weekend preached by Father Willie Brandon.

Next weekend the Diocesan Safeguarding Statement will be read out at both weekend Masses.

Response: It is good to give you thanks, O Lord

Thought for the week:

The best way to show my gratitude to God is to accept everything, even my problems, with joy.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Please pray for those on our Sick List

Please do let Father Desmond know if any names on the Sick List need to be removed or up-dated.

Recently deceased:

Mary McFarlane
Mary's Requiem Mass was celebrated last Thursday morning in St. Andrew's. May Mary rest in peace and rise in glory.

Anniversary: Cathie McCafferty, James Aitchison, Jean Hughes, Bobby Ratcliffe, Mary McKay, James McKeown, Andy Reilly

Months Mind: Bryan Herron, Jane Gribben, Chrissie Dick, Cathie Grant

Next Friday is a Day of Prayer for all victims of abuse. To mark this day Father Desmond will lead Stations of The Cross at 12.00Noon in St. Edward's Church lasting 30-35 minutes. Bishop Joseph Toal will lead Stations of The Cross the same day at 7.00pm in the Cathedral.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: volunteers are required to distribute the new gift aid envelopes that will be used from 6th & 7th April. It is hoped to start distribution at all weekend masses from 13th /14th March. If you are willing to help with this parish activity please contact Father Desmond (01236 897557).

Tickets still available for the St. Patrick's Night Dance; please see poster for more details.

To support the **SSVP furniture project** please contact 0774 946 7335 or 0786 450 2874 between 11.00am and 15.30pm or contact St Patrick's Shotts on 01501 821 187

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