

Programme for St Edward's:-

Sunday 17th March
10.15am Mass
Monday 18th March
9.30am Mass
11.00am Mass St Andrew's Hospice
Tuesday 19th March
6.00pm Holy Hour/7.00pm Mass
Wednesday 20th March
7.15am Mass, 9.30am Mass
Thursday 21st March
9.30am Mass
7.00pm Holy Hour with opportunity for
the Sacrament of Reconciliation
Friday 22nd March
9.30am Mass
Saturday 23rd March
9.30am Mass
5.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 24th March
10.15am Mass

Many congratulations to the children and their families who celebrated the Sacrament of First Forgiveness this week in St. Edward's. We pray that these children may continue to grow in their friendship with Jesus.

We welcome the children and their families who are preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion to both weekend Masses as they continue their journey to celebrate this Sacrament in May. The children are invited to a short retreat morning next Saturday 23rd March beginning at 9.00am in the Hall and concluding at 11.30am in the Church. Many sincere thanks to the parish catechists who will lead the retreat and just a reminder to the children that they should behave towards the parish catechists as they would towards their teachers in school.

The Confirmation candidates should come into the sacristy after Mass to collect a programme for the parish preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

There will be a second collection this weekend for the Sick and Retired clergy of the Diocese. Thank you for the generosity as we remember in gratitude the 31 retired clergy of the Diocese.

We pray for Aaron Charles Hammond who will be baptised this Sunday morning after the 10.15am Mass.

Stations of The Cross this afternoon at 3.00pm

Sincere apologies but the planned Lenten course for Monday evenings has had to be cancelled.

Response: The Lord is my light and my help

Thought for the week:

Prayer backed up with Christian action is extra powerful. Prayer asks: fasting knocks on the door: almsgiving opens the door. **Silvester O'Flynn OFM. Capuchin**

Please pray for those on our Sick List

Recently deceased: Myra Hamilton, Anna O'Hare, Stephen Cook

Anniversary: Catherine McDonald, Hugh Devlin, James and Rebecca Stewart

Months Mind: David Hunstone, Anne Wightman, Robert McGuigan, Joe McIluff, Jim McDonald, James Lappin,

400Club Winners

1. Catherine Goodfellow 52 2. Irene Martin 258
3. Eric McStravich 365 5. Elizabeth Grant 75
Please remember to keep payments up to date. Thank you.

The Requiem Mass for Stephen Cook will be celebrated on Thursday 21st March at 9.30am. May Stephen rest in peace and rise in glory.

This Sunday 17th March we remember St. Patrick, Patron Saint of Ireland.

Tuesday 19th March is The Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary

GIFT AID new envelopes are available in the church porch and can be used at the week-end masses from 6th/7th April. New members are most welcome but must be tax payers and mandate forms are available beside the new envelopes in the porch. Remember the parish receives an extra 25p for every £1 donated under the gift aid scheme.

Please see notice in the porch regarding a Lenten Retreat Day organised by the Catholic Men's Society.

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