



St. Bernadette's RC Church Tullibody

29th March 2026

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Palm Sunday

Sat 28 Mar	8.45am -9.15am 9.30am 5.30pm	Confessions Mass Vigil Mass	
Sun 29 Mar	8.30am 11.30am 5.30pm	Mass Mass Stations of the Cross	Palm Sunday

Holy Week

Mon	30 March	9am 9.30am 7pm	Confessions Mass Penitential Service
Tues	31 March	7pm	St. Serfs, C of S, Ecumenical Service
Wed	1 April	9am 9.30am 7pm	Confessions School Mass Mass of Unity, Holy oils, Cathedral, Dundee

The Sacred Tridium Begins

Thurs	2 April	9am 7.30pm	Confessions Mass ~ Institution of the Eucharist, Washing of the Feet, Eucharistic Ministers will renew their commitment at this Mass. Watch & Pray before the Blessed Sacrament immediately after the Mass until 10.30pm. (Eucharistic Ministers, SVDP, Readers and Knights)
			Maundy Thursday
Fri	3 April	3pm	Passion and Adoration of the Cross Good Friday
Sat	4 April	8pm	Easter Vigil Easter
Sun	5 April	8.30am 11.30am	Easter Mass Easter Mass 
			Easter Sunday

This Sunday's Readings	
First Reading	Isaiah 50: 4-7
Psalm	22(21): 8-9, 17-20, 23-24
Second Reading	Philippians 2: 6-11
Gospel	Matthew 27: 11-54

Last Sunday's Collection	
Non Gift Aid	£334.83
Gift Aid	£365.00
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Total	£699.83

Prayer Requests

Those who are sick ~

Joan Jones, Msgr. Basil O'Sullivan, Natalie Otalini, Jade Dicerbo, Stuart Mason, Sean McCann, Carly Mournian, Brendan Murphy, Vincent McDaid, Peter Douglas, Mary Gordon, Mary Hughes, Peter & Margaret Stark, Sarah Jane Connelly, Duncan McGregor, Maria McIntyre, John & Trisha Smith, Drs. Diane & Mike Basquill, Maurice Di Duca, Heather Stewart, Cathy McCallum, Archie Gallaway, Bishop Stephen, Cathy Fox, Jim McKay, Peter Caproni, Laura Laing, Susan Duvall, Brian Robertson, Melissa Brown, Margo Tobin, John Lawlor and Lisa Mcilwrath, Fr. Hutchinson, Margaret Smith, Kath Massanopoli, John Grogan, Bobby Williamson.

Those who have died ~

Muriel Robertson, Mary Dowd, David Masterson

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time ~

Jack Ray, Lawrence McArthur, William Conlan, Mel Latte, Alex Byrne, Fr. Colin Golden, Mary Galloway, Tom McMnemy, Annette Morgan, Pat Ward, Margaret Giannandrea, Canon Hugh McNally, Kate McNeil, Cathy Morrison, Lula O'Brien, David Tobin, Anne McNiven, Kathleen Clarke, Seamus McShane.



Children's Liturgy
of the **Word**

The Children's Liturgy team are restarting the sessions during the 11.30am Mass on 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month until the School Summer Holidays:~

22nd Mar / 26th Apr / 10th May / 24th May / 14th Jun

Piety Stall

Just a reminder that the stall at the back of the church has a selection of greetings cards for all occasions including Mass, Sympathy, Birthday, Get Well cards etc.

There are also some Easter cards available at the moment.

All proceeds go to St Bernadette's.

Lilies

have long been associated with Easter, with the white lily in particular seen as a symbol of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is extremely common to see churches decorated with eye-catching displays of freshly blooming lilies when holding their Easter services. The lily is also often depicted in stained glass window scenes where it is used to signify remembrance, hope, purity and everlasting life.

The tradition of using white lilies as a symbol of Easter has a long and rich history. Ancient paintings show the Angel Gabriel proffering white lilies to Mary whilst telling her that she would give birth to Jesus. Another well-known Biblical reference to this flower is evident when Jesus is performing the Sermon on the Mount and asks the crowd to consider the lilies of the field. With its connotations of hope, renewal and ever-lasting life, the lily is the perfect floral representation of Easter.

Here at St. Bernadette's we have a tradition of including lilies in the floral decoration at Easter to represent our deceased loved ones. People are already generous with donations for the church flowers but as you all know white flowers and lilies especially are expensive. Those who wish their deceased loved ones to be remembered in the masses of the Resurrection. Please place your contribution towards the flowers and mass stipends in an envelope with the name of your deceased in the box at the back of the church. The names will be placed in an envelope and brought up at the Offertory and placed on the altar.

TEAS AND COFFEE

In recent parish meetings frequently it has been discussed how to be a missionary parish and not just looking after ourselves but be outward looking, welcoming. We are hindered because we do not have a large hall to welcome people and have non-liturgical opportunities to meet. Past investigations, mainly because of extremely high costs and the sewage system, indicate that expanding the hall is not a viable option. Before we look at other viable alternatives we suggest we should have an experimental period (all of summer) of offering teas & coffees after the 11.30am Sunday mass. First of all we need to see if we can form a team each week of people willing to set up the hall (changing it from a small chapel back to a hall with table and chairs), buy tea, coffee, milk and biscuits and be able to serve, clean up afterwards and return the hall back to a small chapel.

We are looking for someone to coordinate this and volunteers.
We would like to see this functioning immediately after Easter.

See Fr. Mike!!!



The Office of
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The Bishops' Conference of Scotland

Bishops' Conference of Scotland Releases Election Briefing Pack for 2026 Scottish Parliament Election

The Bishops' Conference of Scotland has published an Election Briefing Pack ahead of the 2026 Scottish Parliament election. This comprehensive resource aims to guide Catholics in Scotland to engage thoughtfully and prayerfully in the democratic process, reflecting on their responsibilities as citizens and disciples of Jesus Christ.

The briefing highlights key principles of Catholic Social Teaching, including human dignity, the common good, solidarity, and subsidiarity, and addresses critical moral issues such as the protection of life, care for the poor, accessible healthcare, environmental stewardship, and the defence of religious freedom. It also provides suggested questions for candidates, encouraging voters to engage with political representatives on topics such as poverty, family, education, and peace-building.

The pack includes a pastoral letter from Scotland's Catholic bishops, urging voters to approach the election with faith-formed consciences and a commitment to justice, compassion, and unity. The bishops emphasise the importance of electing a Parliament with integrity and which prioritises the dignity of the most vulnerable in society.

Additionally, the pack offers practical resources, including a guide to hosting hustings and a link to find local candidates. A special prayer for the election is included, inviting Catholics to seek God's guidance in their voting decisions.

For more information and resources, visit <https://rcpolitics.org/scottish-parliament-election-2026/>

Election Briefing Pack: <http://bcos.org.uk/ElectionBriefingPack>

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