



15th March 2026

St. Bernadette's RC Church

Tullibody

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4th Sunday of Lent

Sat 14 Mar	8.45am -9.15am 9.30am 10.30am 5.30pm	Confessions Mass Edinburgh Vigil Mass
Sun 15 Mar	8.30am 11.30am 5.30pm	Mass SCIAF Sunday ~ Special Collection Mass Stations of the Cross
Mon 16 Mar	9.30am 5pm	Mass F&M meeting
Tue 17 Mar	~ ~ ~ ~	No Services St Patrick's Feast Day
Wed 18 Mar	8.30am 9.30am 5pm	Mass ~ St Modan's, Stirling St Patrick's Feast Day Mass Reception of body Muriel Robertson, St John Vianneys, Alva
Thu 19 Mar	9.30am 10am	Morning Office & Holy Communion Requiem Mass, St John Vianneys, Alva
Fri 20 Mar	9.30 7pm	Cemetery Keith, Muriel Robertson No Mass
Sat 21 Mar	8.45am -9.15am 9.30am 5.30pm	Confessions Mass Vigil Mass
Sun 22 Mar	8.30am 11.30am 5.30pm	Mass Mass Stations of the Cross

This Sunday's Readings	
First Reading	1 Samuel 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13
Psalm	23(22): 1-6
Second Reading	Ephesians 5: 8-14
Gospel	John 9: 1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Last Sunday's Collection	
Non Gift Aid	£389.56
Gift Aid	£376.00
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<b>Total</b>	£765.56

## *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, May 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.

## **St. SERF'S & St. BERNADETTE'S EASTER**

Beside our Ecumenical service on the Tuesday (see Holy Week poster) we plan to distribute in every house in Tullibody our religious services.

JUST AS WE DID AT CHRISTMAS.

Will all those involved at Christmas please help again and distribute leaflets in the same streets. The leaflets are available at the back of the church or in the hall. If you cannot manage please inform Fr. Mike. More volunteers - even just for a few streets - are very welcome.

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**

## A message from Bishop Toal on 4th Sunday of Lent



My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,  
I write on behalf of the Bishops of Scotland on this the fourth Sunday of Lent to thank you for your generous and prayerful support for SCIAF - the Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund - over the past year.

In the Gospels, we hear of many occasions when Jesus heals the sick, reaching out with love and mercy to the most marginalised and the poorest, both in action and in spirit.

As Catholics we are called to follow his example, to recognise that we are our brother or sister's keeper. To reach out to the poorest with love. SCIAF is the embodiment of the love of our Church in Scotland,

reaching out to our vulnerable sisters and brothers around the world. It is why during Lent, we ask you to give generously to support the vital work SCIAF does on our behalf.

This has been a difficult twelve months for all of us, but through WEE BOX and collection donations, gifts in wills and direct debits, SCIAF have continued to help the poorest people in the world.

SCIAF is extremely grateful that last year, generous parishioners raised £945,218 to help survivors of genderbased violence in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Victims of a devastating war which lasted more than 20 years. Where many were killed, displaced and are in need due to ongoing violence.

Through SCIAF's Church partners these vulnerable survivors, mostly women and girls, were given the medical care and trauma counselling they needed to recover, and gained new skills to build a better life. That is our faith in action.

This year, SCIAF ask us to look to another country where frequent conflict has left behind a legacy of fear, displacement and despair, making it one of the world's poorest and most fragile states. Children with disabilities were already the most vulnerable in society. Now, the coronavirus pandemic has deepened already existing issues of poverty, putting them at greater risk. When a crisis comes, be it conflict, famine or even the coronavirus, it's the poorest and most vulnerable children who suffer most.

Many children with disabilities in South Sudan are not able to go to school or, later on, to work and earn a living. They may have no access to support services or hospitals for treatment. They may face stigma and exclusion. Due to a lack of access to education and opportunities, disabled children can miss out on vital learning that helps them to break out of the cycle of poverty, unlock their potential and live life to the full.

Through SCIAF the Scottish Catholic Church can help children with disabilities in South Sudan to access the education and support they need to build a bright future. SCIAF will reach the poorest people first and put our faith into action.

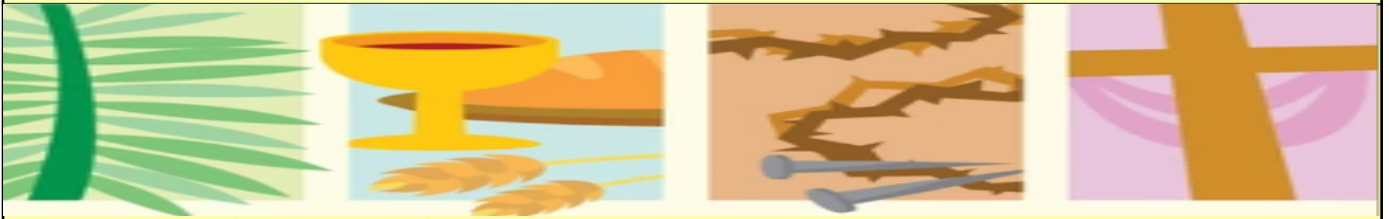
With the support of parishes, SCIAF's work in South Sudan will provide a lifeline for children with disabilities and their families. Our support will help to adapt schools so that pupils with disabilities can access education.

Children will be provided with aids such as wheelchairs, ramps, hearing aids and canes, as well as healthcare to help them live more independently.

For example, just £35 could buy a classroom desk so a pupil with a disability doesn't need to sit on the floor. I am delighted to let you know that this year, all donations to SCIAF's WEE BOX, BIG CHANGE appeal, made before 11th May, will be doubled by the UK government. Your donations will help SCIAF's life changing work around the world, while match funding from the UK government will provide a lifeline to children with disabilities, their families and communities in South Sudan, helping them to build bright futures.

Thank you for your continued generosity; know that it goes towards good work.

# St. Bernadette's R.C. Church, Tullibody Holy Week 2026



Mon 30 Mar	9.30am 7pm	Mass Penitential Service
Tue 31 Mar	7pm	St Serf's C of S ~ Ecumenical Service
Wed 1 Apr	9.30am	School Mass
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>		
Thu 2 Apr	7.30pm	Mass ~ Institution of the Eucharist, Washing of the Feet & Eucharistic Ministers renewal of their commitment at Mass.
<b>Good Friday</b>		
Fri 3 Apr	3pm	Passion and Adoration of the Cross
<b>Easter</b>		
Sat 4 Apr	8pm	Easter Vigil ~ St Bernadette's
<b>Easter Sunday</b>		
Sun 5 Apr	8.30am 11.30am	Mass Mass



## READERS LIST – HOLY WEEK

The Holy WEEK Reader's list is available at the back of the Church. Before Rebecca takes over, Fr. Mike has been filling in. I do not have the late John Charter's mailing list so please check the list at back of church. Please be patient as it may take a few weeks to construct the mailing list.

Please check the list. If you are unable to read please look for a substitute and inform Fr. Mike.