

Our Lady & St John the Baptist Catholic Church Ellon

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Sunday, 15th March 2020: The Third Sunday of Lent Year A: Psalter Week 3

Masses & Services

Saturday, (14th) 6:00pm: Vigil Mass: The Third Sunday of Lent Year A: Donor's Intentions

Sunday, (15th) 11:30am: The Third Sunday of Lent Year A: Pro Populo

Tuesday, (17th) 10:30pm: St Patrick: Intentions of Fr Patrick

Saturday (21st) 6:00pm: Vigil Mass: The Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A:

Please remember in your prayers the intentions of Our Lady and St John the Baptist Parish Ellon, the sick and the elderly, all our deceased friends and relatives who have passed away recently especially all whose anniversaries occur at this time. *Requiescant in Pace*

Hymn Numbers for this Sunday, 15th March 2020: 79, 44, 125, 191, (V. 1, 3, 4 and 5)

Our Finances Last Sunday: 8th March 2020: £261.66, Thank you

Eucharistic Ministers: 22nd March 2020: Vigil Mass: Pacita Cronin

Sunday: Ros Deane and Anna Lafferty

Readers' Rota: 22nd March 2020: Vigil Mass 1st: John Tonner, 2nd: Jacinta Boyd

Sunday 1st: Robbie Butler, 2nd: Gene Butler

*******Notices*******

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Recitation of the Holy Rosary before each of the mid-week Masses. Confessions can be heard before Mass or by appointment. **Holy Hour and Benediction every Friday at Our Lady and St John the Baptist 8-9pm**

Farewell to Ros Deane who sadly will be leaving the Parish Shortly. We really appreciate and are thankful for the enormous contributions Ros made to this parish through the years in areas of the life of the parish. May the Good Lord bless, reward and keep her safe in her new location. We will all miss her. There will be a farewell tea and coffee after Mass next Sunday, 22nd March. Everyone is welcome.

Lenten Reflections and Stations of the Cross every Wednesday throughout Lent from 7.15 to 8.15pm: A series of evening reflections will take place in Our Lady and St John the Baptist Church in Ellon starting from 4th March to 1st April. The evenings will comprise a short reflection on the Scriptures followed by the Stations of the Cross, and will be led by lay members of the parish community. All are welcome. I would like to encourage parishioners to use this holy season of Lent to come closer to God in prayers, fasting and almsgiving.

Lenten Reflection and Stations of the Cross Leaders: 11th March: Marta Wachucik/Peter MacMillan, **25th March:** John Welsby/Jacinta Boyd, **1st April:** Gene Butler/Maurits Schultz

All Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Please kindly collect your own copy of the rota in the church porch. Please kindly note a change in the rota – **only one reader will take both the first and second readings at the weekend Masses.** I would like to thank Gene Butler for her continued commitment in arranging the rota through the years. Thank you.

Holy Hour and Benediction at Our Lady and St John the Baptist, Ellon every Friday: 8.00pm – 9.00pm. All are welcome

A Second Collection will be taken for SCIAF next weekend, 21/22 April. Please be generous as usual.

Parish Groups: SVP- meets in Our Lady's Chapel on Mondays 7-8:30pm; **Choir-** new members needed for the Schola; **Holy Rosary Group,** meetings are held in a parishioner's home, please see John Welsby for details

Coronavirus: Given the growing concerns about the spread of the Coronavirus, and the increasing likelihood of it affecting us widely in Scotland, it seems the right moment to take further precautionary measures in our parishes. A notice on the measures from Bishop Hugh will be read at the beginning Masses this weekend, please see the noticeboard too. Thank you