

St Ignatius of Loyola

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER – 19TH APRIL 2026

	St Ignatius Church	St Thomas Church
Sunday 19 th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	10:00am Mass 6:00pm Mass	11:30am Mass
Monday 20 th April	9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass	No Mass
Tuesday 21 st April	1:00pm Mass	9:30am Rosary 10:00am Mass
Wednesday 22 nd April	9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass	No Mass
Thursday 23 rd April	9:00am Rosary 9:30am Mass	6:30pm-6:50pm Confessions 7:00pm Mass
Friday 24 th April	9:15am Mass	9:30am Rosary 10:00am Mass
Saturday 25 th April <i>St Mark</i>	9:30am Mass 9:55am-10:30am Confessions 3:15pm-3:45pm Confessions 4.00pm Vigil Mass	5:30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 26 th April 4th Sunday of Easter <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	10:00am Mass 6:00pm Mass	11:30am Mass



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World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations takes place next Sunday – 26th April – Good Shepherd Sunday. We are asked to pray especially for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life. We also remember all those who follow their vocation as a single or married person.

Vocations Evening

An evening for those considering a Vocation to the Priesthood will take place next Sunday 26th at 7:30pm in the Cathedral House, Motherwell. Any man who is considering a vocation to the priesthood is invited along to this evening to join a time of prayer and discussion.

Young people's group aged 18 – 30 years

The next meeting of the Young People's Group will take place on Sunday 26th April in St Ignatius Chapel House after the 6:00pm Mass in St Ignatius Church. At the Masses this weekend 18th/19th April members of the Young People's Group will speak about their involvement with the Young People's Group as well as their personal journey of faith.

Collection for the Holy Places

Thank you to all who contributed to the collections at both Parishes for the Holy Places that took place on Good Friday. The following amounts were collected – St Ignatius £1036.00 and St Thomas £518.18.

Thank you from Fr Kevin and Aidan Kelly

Fr Kevin and Aidan Kelly thanks all those who gave them cards and gifts for Easter. Your kindness was much appreciated.

Lourdes Pilgrimage – Fr Kevin

Thank you to The Spiritans/Holy Ghost Fathers from Carfin who provided cover to the Parishes whilst Fr Kevin was in Lourdes.

SCIAF wee boxes

Thank you to all those who have so far handed in their Wee Box. Any further boxes received this weekend will be counted and forwarded to SCIAF. Thank you.

Fontes

The latest edition of Fontes - the Diocesan Monthly Magazine is available at the entrances to the Churches.

Aidan Kelly

Once again, we thank Aidan for all did whilst on his placement with us and we wish him many blessings on his next part of his vocation journey. Please keep all seminarians, deacons and priests in your prayers.

Aidan gives thanks to everyone for their kindnesses and best wishes as he came to the end of his placement. Several Parishioners in both Parishes asked about making a presentation to Aidan, Subsequently, from next Sunday 26th April, envelopes will be available at both Parishes to allow contributions to be made.

Celebrations of First Holy Communion

On Saturday, 9th May at 11.00am at St Ignatius Church and Saturday 16th May at 10.00am at St Thomas Church, children of the Parishes will receive their First Holy Communion. We keep all the children and their families in our prayers as they continue to prepare for this very special day in their lives.

Parish Stalls

A selection of gifts and cards in anticipation of the celebration of First Holy Communion are available from the Parish Stalls located at the entrances to the Churches. Also, a selection of other items for children and adults including rosary beads, prayer books, devotional candles, mass and other types of cards and many other items to help us all on our journey of faith and our life of prayer are also available.

Funeral arrangements

The Family of Nan McLaughlin formerly of Auchenstewart Court announce her Funeral arrangements - Reception into St Athanasius Church in Carlisle at 6:00pm on Wednesday 22nd April and Funeral Mass at 10:00am on Thursday 23rd April.

Offertory Collections –

4th/5th April – Easter Sunday

St Ignatius - £2375.50 St Thomas - £1491.00

11th/12th April

St Ignatius - £1518.60 St Thomas - £902.70

Thank you once again to everyone who contributes to the Offertory Collections and to all those who make payments direct to the Parishes Bank Accounts.

Election Briefing Pack for Scottish Parliament Election



The Bishops' Conference of Scotland has published an Election Briefing Pack ahead of the 2026 Scottish Parliament Election. This 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. Scan the QR code or access the website: <https://rcpolitics.org/scottish-parliament-election-2026/> for more information.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Glasgow on Friday, 24th to Sunday 26th April. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call/text Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or email at sisterandrea@rachelsvineyard.org.uk. For more details, see www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk



Divine Renovation – Parish Renewal Open House

Fr Ivan Boyle, Parish Priest of St John the Baptist, Uddingston, invites all to participate in a day entitled **Divine Renovation – Parish Renewal Open House**, at St John the Baptist, Uddingston on Saturday 25th April 2026 from 0930-1700. Bishop Toal will preside at the closing Mass at 16:00 and the keynote speaker will be Fr James Mallon, founder of Divine Renovation ministries. Lunch will be provided. The day is free, please register for catering purposes at www.divinerenovation.org/calendar/open-house-scotland or use the QR code.

SCIAF Sacrament Cards

A message from SCIAF – “We now have sacrament cards available to buy for a small donation to SCIAF.” See poster on display on the noticeboards at the entrances to both Churches.

The Diocese of Motherwell Synodality Meeting

The Diocesan Synodality Meeting takes place this Wednesday 22nd April at 7:00pm in St Bride's Centre, Coursington Road, Motherwell. There is an open invitation to the meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to promote Synodality in our Diocesan Structures and Activities, and in particular to form a Diocesan Synodality Committee. The recent request from the Bishops for each Scottish Diocese to consider the future of our dioceses will also be discussed with the intention of arranging a meeting in May to contribute to the response from the Diocese of Motherwell.

Annual Edinburgh Pro-life Chain

This year's Chain for Life will take place on Saturday 25th April from 11 am – 1 pm, Lothian Road, Edinburgh (opposite Usher Hall EH1 2EA). There will be a Rosary prior to the Chain organised by the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 26 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh EH3 9DJ.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

St Ignatius Parish

The sick and housebound:

Kara Louise Jordan; Mary Graham; Alice Ann Bjorn; John Dobbin Jnr;
Rosanna Bulmer; Alfie James Milligan; Joseph Bulmer; Catherine Donnelly; Elaine McCarren;
Laura McIntosh; Helen Woods; Thomas Lally Snr; Peter Convery; Bill Wood; Ciara Loughery;
Nicholas McAnaw; Mary Goodwin; Elizabeth Cooper; Moira McDonald; John Miller; Patrick McEwan;
Kathleen McElhinney; Michael McMullen; Charles Sullivan; Grace Collins; Ellen Campbell;
Baby Archie Thomson; Martin McCallum; Jax Martin.

Deaths: Andrew Ballantyne; Nan McLaughlin – formerly Auchenstewart Court.

Months Minds: Larry McGuire; Catherine (Irene) Smith.

Anniversaries & Remembrances: Baby Conan McCormick; Harry Millan; Marjory Muldoon Begley;
Philip Muldoon; Philip Wilson; Brian Devine; Annie O'Brien; Mary Gallacher;
Charles Coia; Robert McKirdy; Len Smith; Alice & Frank DochertyPat, Kate & Mary Dale.

Easter Remembrance: Rose Lee; Sadie and Malcolm Gray; Thomas Gray;
The Muir Family; The Gray Family.

St Thomas Parish

The sick and housebound:

Mary Jackson, Derek Somerville, Maria McVitie, Rosaleen Gold, Mary Bradley, George McGowan,
Anna Divito, Josh Hillier, Betty Irvine, Margaret Devlin, Lynn McIntyre, Carl McNulty, Matt Bradley,
Muriel Brown, Thomas Kane, Adam Reilly; Dougie Meechan; Brian Dowling; Jacky Finnegan
; Michael Madden; James Reilly; John Cumberton; Maria Brown; Anne Marie McGrogan;
Grace Abernethy; Betty Miller; Mary Young; Mary & Danny McArdle; Joseph Boyle.

Deaths: Betty Miller – Alexander Street; Annan Keetong – formerly East Thornlie Street
Michael Doolan; Annabel Elliott.

Months Minds:

Anniversaries/Remembrances: Baby Conan McCormick; John Park; Jimmy & Ella McIntyre;
Maureen MacKeller nee Quigley; Stephen Devine; George Johnston; Thomas Duddy; Annie McKenzie.

Easter Remembrance: Tommy, Lizzie, Bernard, Johnny, James O'Neill; Teresa Burns;
Danny, Daniel, Rose, Roderick Burns; John Snr & Jnr, Mary, Charles Harkins;
Margaret Anderson; Edna Neillis.

POPE LEO'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION – APRIL

For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Parish Mission Statements – Project Wellspring



St Ignatius

“We want to encourage and support people in the practise of their faith, especially by attending Church, with the aim of helping people to grow in their faith and their relationship with the Trinity; God the Father, Jesus and The Holy Spirit.”

St Thomas’

“Our mission is to embrace and share the teachings of Christ, fostering a spiritual community of love, compassion and service. We are dedicated to nurturing faith, empowering our parishioners and extending our reach into the wider community to make a positive impact and promote spiritual growth.”

Please note the upcoming meetings of the Parishes’ Project Wellspring Co-ordinating Groups are:
St Thomas’ – Tuesday 21st April 2026 at 7:00pm in St Thomas Parish Centre; and
St Ignatius’ – Monday 1st June 2026 at 7:00pm in St Ignatius Chapel House.

The Loyola Centre

The existing part of the Loyola Centre is being taken over by the Building Contractor as part of Phase 3 of the reinstatement of the entire Centre this Monday 20th April. Subsequently, the Centre will not be available for use until further notice. The next meeting of the volunteers of the Loyola Centre will take place on Tuesday 28th April at 7:00pm in St Ignatius Chapel House.

Teas and ... Wednesdays after 9:30am Mass at St Ignatius Church

Thank you to all who continued to attend the teas, coffees and all last Wednesday 15th April. In light of the temporary closure of the existing part of the Loyola Centre, teas, coffees and all will not be available until further notice. Thank you to everyone who has provided this service on Wednesday mornings.

Coffee, tea, juices and all after 10am Sunday Mass at St Ignatius Church

Thank you to all who attended the sausage on a roll, teas, coffees and all on Easter Sunday. Again, due to the temporary closure of the existing part of the Loyola Centre, sausage on a roll, teas, coffees and all on Sundays will not be available until further notice. Thank you to those who have provided this service to the Parish.

Coffee, tea, juices and all after 11:30am Sunday Mass at St Thomas’ Church

Thank you to everyone who went along to the coffee, tea, juice and all on Easter Sunday, 5th April 2026, after the 11:30am Mass. Thank you to those who provide and attend this monthly Parish get together. The next coffee, tea and all will take place on Sunday 3rd May after the 11:30am Mass.

Wednesday Club – St Thomas Parish Centre

The Wednesday Club will resume this Wednesday 22nd April, 11:30am-2:30pm. Thank you to those who work to provide, serve and attend the Wednesday Club.

St Thomas’ Parish Centre

The following event is planned to take place: Saturday April 25th – Yin Yang.

St Thomas’ Wellspring Coordinating Group

The Wellspring Coordinating Group are organising some family events that will take place in The Parish Centre in the coming months. More details about the Family Quiz Night can be found below. Thank you in anticipation of your support. The current planned family events are;

Friday 24 th April – 7:00pm – 11:30pm	Family Quiz Night
Sunday 7 th June – 12:30pm – 3:00pm	Family Fun Day
Friday 18 th September – 7:00pm – 11:30pm	Family Race Night

Family Quiz Night

The Wellspring Coordinating Group have organised a Family Quiz Night taking place this Friday 24th April from 7:00pm in the St Thomas Parish centre, tickets are priced at £2.50 per adult ticket and tickets are free for children. You can expect some family friendly quiz rounds, Irish Bingo and raffles. Please bring your own snacks. Tickets can be purchased at the entrance to the Church after Masses from this weekend. Tickets are limited and more information can be found on the poster at the entrance to the Church. The Group would appreciate if anyone could donate some prizes for raffles and tombola suitable for adults and children. Thank you in anticipation of your support.