



PARISH OF ST JAMES, ST ANDREWS & THE EAST NEUK

Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh

Palm Sunday - A
Sunday, 29 March 2026

MASS TIMES IN ST ANDREWS (*17 The Scores, KY16 9AR*)

Day	Time	Holy Day	Mass Intention
Sunday 29 March	5.00pm (Vigil)	Palm Sunday - A	Isabel Cannon RIP
	8.00am		Danny Irvine RIP
	11.00am		Fr Pat Curry RIP
	5.00pm		Mary Coyle RIP
		Student Mass	
Monday 30 March	10.00am	<i>Followed by Confessions</i>	Isabel Cannon RIP
Tuesday 31 March	10.00am	<i>Followed by Confessions</i>	Gerry Daley RIP
Wednesday 1 April	10.00am	<i>Followed by Confessions</i>	Charles Cox RIP
THE SACRED TRIDUUM			
Holy Thursday	7.00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Isabel Cannon RIP
Good Friday	3.00pm	Commemoration of The Passion <i>Followed by Confessions</i>	
Holy Saturday	8.00pm	Easter Vigil	Kathleen Leitch RIP
Easter Sunday	8.00am		Joe McBride RIP
	9.30am		Brian McNight RIP
	11.00am		Gabriele Rizzi RIP
	5.00pm	Fr Gandolf Wild	

MASS TIMES IN CRAIL (*Westgate, Crail, KY10 3RE*)

Day	Time	Holy Day	Mass Intention
Sunday 29 March	9.30am	Palm Sunday - A	Gordon Kirkland RIP
Wednesday 1 April	10.15am	Funeral Mass	
Good Friday	3.00pm	Commemoration of The Passion	<i>Followed by Confessions</i>
Easter Sunday	9.30am		

Funerals: "May the Angels lead him into Paradise..." Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gordon Kirkland, a faithful parishioner in Crail, who died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday 1 April at 10.15am at Most Holy Trinity.

Congratulations to Liam Conroy who was baptised at St James on Saturday.

Offertory: 22 March 2026 - £1,762.44

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PARISH NOTICES

Welcome to Deacon Matthew

Deacon Matthew is returning to the Parish this weekend and will be with us over Easter. I know you will make him very welcome.

RCIA

The final RCIA meeting is this Monday 30 March at 7pm. It is important that all those being baptised, received into the Church or confirmed attend this meeting.

Parish Meeting - Wed 1 April at 7pm

In preparation for the Sacred Triduum I would like to invite you all (Parishioners and Students) to join me for a special evening meditation this Wednesday. This year I want to share with you some thoughts about the "washing of the feet" in John's Gospel. It will be an opportunity for us all to spend some time with the Lord in advance of the Triduum which begins the following day. Please come along and join me.

Easter Triduum 2026

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper in St Andrews 7pm
Watching with the Lord in the Hall until 11pm

Good Friday: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord in St Andrews 3pm
Followed by Confessions

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord in Crail 3pm
Followed by Confessions

Stations of the Cross in St Andrews 7pm

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil in St Andrews 8pm

Easter Sunday: Mass in St Andrews 8am, 9.30am, 11am and 5pm
Mass in Crail 9.30am

Important – The Parish is Changing Bank 14 April 2026

Due to the sad closure of the local branch of the Bank of Scotland, the parish is unfortunately being forced to transfer its accounts to the Royal Bank. Transferring banks is always difficult and always causes problems but most immediately what it means is that if you currently donate your Offertory via a Bank of Scotland Standing Order or BACS - you need to take action to change your standing orders or BACS. I am really sorry about this and I do apologise for the inconvenience – but to help you the new Finance Committee has produced Information packs which explain how to do this and which are available at the back of the Church. The new **Royal Bank of Scotland** parish account details are as follows:

Account Name: St James-St Andrews Sort Code: 83-06-08 Account Number : 21599908

Please note the 200 Club is not affected and remains with the Bank of Scotland until further notice.

Thank You!

Thank you to all the volunteers who gave of their time to clean the brass ornaments that adorn our beautiful churches in preparation for our Easter celebrations. As always, your hard work is very much appreciated.

Sick List

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish: Christine Greer, Moira Mullins, Andrew Muir, Isobel Dougan, Joan Dolan, Philip Lawson, Dr June Gunn, Ann Taylor, Marysia Denyer, Harry Graham, Anna Graham.

OTHER NOTICES

Chrism Mass

Clergy from across the Archdiocese will gather for the Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh this Tuesday 31 March at 7pm, during which they will renew their priestly promises. This is a wonderful opportunity to support our priests. The sacred oils, blessed during the Mass, will also be distributed to parishes for use throughout the coming year.

Stations of the Cross

The Archdiocese's Lenten Stations of the Cross concludes this Monday at 7.45pm. Includes a reflection from Fr Federico Dundas SJS. Register at bit.ly/stations26

Lourdes summer pilgrimage

There are some spaces available on the Archdiocesan Summer Pilgrimage to Lourdes for supported pilgrims and their carers, as well as nurses. Supported pilgrims are those who are ill, disabled or infirm, and they will fly out with the Archdiocese from Edinburgh and stay in the Saint Frai supported accommodation. Please email enquiries@edinburgh-lourdes.com. Demand for spaces on the plane for hotel pilgrims is high, but they can still take part in the pilgrimage. Contact Tangney Tours to be placed on a waiting list or to ask about alternative travel arrangements. Visit <https://www.tangney-tours.com/>

Save the Date

The annual Archdiocesan Mass for Married and Engaged Couples takes place at 7pm on Friday 19 June in St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh.

Young Adults Pilgrimage to Rome

The Edinburgh Jesuit Church of the Sacred Heart invites Young Adults to join them on pilgrimage in Rome from 1 - 4 May 2026. Contact Fr David Stewart SJ at: ejcyoungadults@jesuit.org.uk

Forming Catholic Student Leaders

Two summer courses exploring faith, ethics and leadership for sixth form students, offered by the Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst. The beautiful Ribble Valley will provide the wonderful location to explore themes linked to the The Common Good (Year 12, 10-15 August) and to The Human Ecology (Year 13, 5-10 July). Meet new friends, discuss and share with peers, tutors and academics, learn new skills, develop your relationship with Christ, build your character. Information available www.christianleadershipformation.com

Sale of Notelets Next Week after Mass

We will be selling Jurek Putter notelets after Mass next week. A bundle of 10 beautiful historic prints of St. Andrews for only £10. (Bargain – Ed!)

Have a great week.
God Bless.
Fr. Patrick, Fr Chris & Deacon Matthew

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backwards. I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

Response to the Psalm: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel

Matthew 21:1-11

When Jesus and his disciples drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, "The Lord needs them", and he will send them at once.' This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying, 'Say to the daughter of Sion, "Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden."' '

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!' And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, 'Who is this?' And the crowds said, 'This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.'