



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, BANFF

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PARISH NEWSLETTER - SUNDAY 15 MARCH 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

DATE	DETAILS	SERVICE	TIME
Sunday 15 March	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	Mass Mass (Polish)	10.30 13.00
Tuesday 17 March	St Patrick	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Wednesday 18 March	Third Week of Lent	STATION MASS BANFF Station of The Cross (english)	11.00 19.00
Thursday 19 March	St Joseph	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Mass	09.00 09.30
Friday 20 March	Second Week of Lent	Station of The Cross and Mass (polish)	19.00
Saturday 21 March	Second Week of Lent	Mass Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Vigil Mass	09.30 10.00 18.00
Sunday 22 March	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT Second collection: SCIAF	Mass Mass (Polish)	10.30 13.00

SUNDAY REFLECTION

The story of the Woman at the Well is found in today's gospel passage. Jesus is alone when the woman comes to the well outside the town to draw water and he speaks to her of 'living water', which is himself. In the course of their conversation she comes to the conclusion that he is the Messiah and she then hurries back to the town to bring the people to him, and in this she is a missionary of the Gospel. The people of the town believe because of what she says but that belief is copper fastened by their experience of Jesus for themselves. The episode also shows how important it was for Jesus to bring his message to all peoples because, in his day, the Samaritans were not considered 'proper Jews' because they did not worship in the Temple in Jerusalem. Jesus knew the woman's life story and wanted her to be whole again. He spoke with her and showed her the way to true life through acknowledging her past and letting her see his love and concern for her. We have a duty to follow the example of the Samaritan woman by actively seeking after the living water and in bringing that refreshment to others.

Patrick J. Breen, O. Carm.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- **Sick:** Sandra Cameron, Kenneth Darnell, Kate Hamilton, Linda Washington

LENT

During Lent all are invited to attend for:

- Station Masses: Wednesday 18 March at Banff; Wednesday 25 March at Buckie; Wednesday 1 April at Keith. All Masses starts at 11.00 a.m.
- Way of The Cross: 11th, 18th, 25th March 2020, 1st and 8th April 2020 – Wednesdays at 7.00pm
- Lent Reflections 27 – 29 March 2020 By Fr Rafal Szweda

SCIAF 2020 WEE BOX APPEAL

Lent provides the opportunity to be involved in a personal way. The SCIAF Lent Appeal, "THE WEE BOXES" are available to be filled to support the Scottish Catholic Church in our mission to see greater international peace, the means whereby we can help to build a world with greater shared resources, and a common life in Christ that recognises the dignity of every human being.

FAMILY COMPETITION

Families are encouraged to create their own Resurrection Gardens over Lent and bring them to the Church on Easter Sunday. There will be prizes for the best 3 gardens.

BANFF CHURCHES TOGETHER FOODBANK

Your donations help to provide emergency food and support to local people in crisis. All donations welcome. Collections will be made weekly and taken to the River Church. Thank you!

BANFF AND MACDUFF COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND FRIENDS OF CHALMERS HOSPITAL

Members of the public are invited to fill in a patient survey about the Minor Injury Unit (MIU) at Chalmers Hospital, Banff. Please hand completed surveys back into where you pick it up. Thank you.

WIELKI POST

W czasie Wielkiego Postu zapraszamy do udziału w:

- Nabożeństwach Drogi Krzyżowej w j. polskim w każdy piątek o godz. 19.00
- Gorzkie Żale będziemy śpiewać w każdą niedzielę przed mszą o godz. 13.00.
- Rekolekcje Wielkopostne 27 – 29 marca 2020, ks. Rafał Szweda

KONKURS RODZINNY

Zapraszamy wszystkich do konkursu na przygotowanie Grobu Pańskiego (tak jak na Boże Narodzenie przygotowaliśmy Szopkę Betlejemską). Wykonane prace przynosimy w Niedzielę Wielkanocną do kościoła.