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12TH APRIL 2026 – 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER – DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – YEAR A

MASS SCHEDULE

this week

Monday – Thursday

No public Mass

Friday – Saturday morning

9:30am Mass

Saturday evening

6:00pm Vigil Mass (Polish)

Sunday

9:30am Mass (English)

CONFESSION

before/after any Mass,
or on request

The Feast of Divine Mercy – Divine Mercy Sunday

Today's Divine Mercy Sunday: a most powerful gift of God's merciful love, and for not a few souls, "the last hope of salvation" (Dairy of St. Faustina, n. 965).

Jesus tells us that on this day "all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened" (699). "I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy."

How one approaches the "Fount of Mercy" the Lord Himself explains: "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment" – which means, nothing more 'owed' to divine Justice – like a new Baptism!

Divine Mercy Devotions at Our Lady Star of the Sea and St Drostan's, Fraserburgh.

We're holding a very special day of Divine Mercy devotions TODAY, 12 April (Divine Mercy Sunday) with the blessing of a new image of the Merciful Jesus from the Shrine in Łagiewniki, Kraków. At 15:00, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a recitation of the chaplet, a sermon on the Mercy of God, and confessions. Don't miss out on special graces offered by our Lord for public veneration of the Divine Mercy image on Divine Mercy Sunday!

LITURGICAL DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 13th April

Pope St. Martin I, Martyr

Tuesday 14th April

Weekday of 2nd Week of Easter

Wednesday 15th April

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Thursday 16th April

St. Magnus Erlinsson, Martyr

Friday 17th April

St. Donan and Companions, Martyrs

Saturday 18th April

Weekday of 2nd Week of Easter

Sunday 19th April

3rd Sunday of Easter

SPUC's Annual Edinburgh Pro-life Chain – will take place on Saturday 25th April from 11am to 1pm, on Lothian Road, Edinburgh. In 58 years of legal abortion in the UK, **almost 11 million unborn children have been killed**. This is a staggering loss of life, and with the House of Lords recently voting for legislation that decriminalises abortion up to birth, this figure only looks likely to grow. But we cannot stay silent. Join other like-minded pro-lifers in Edinburgh on 25th as we stand up for life and redouble our efforts to make abortion unthinkable.

Placards will be provided by SPUC, and we would encourage people to make use of these only.

Youth Ministry Gap Year Opportunity: Do you know anyone aged 18 - 25 who is looking for a new challenge? The Diocese of Lancaster has a Youth Ministry team based in Keswick in the Lake District. They run retreats at Castlerigg Manor and work in Churches and schools around the area. The 'Youth Ministry Internship' scheme comes with high quality training, experience, and recognised qualifications and gives young people the chance to join a welcoming community and a vibrant team doing some amazing work. Interested? Contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk or see <http://www.castleriggmanor.com> >> join the team. 🙏

Public Lecture, Aberdeen University. The Thomistic Institute Chapter at the University of Aberdeen is hosting a lecture by Professor Lewis Ayres of Durham University entitled 'St John Henry Newman and the Failure of the University,' on Monday, 13th April at 18:30 in the New Kings NK1. This lecture is free and open to the public and will be followed by a reception. All welcome!

World Youth Day, Seoul 2027 - Survey. Pope Leo XIV is inviting youth, aged 18-35, from all around the world to join him in Seoul, South Korea, in August 2027 for World Youth Day. There we will join young Catholics worldwide to be inspired by the words of Christ, "Take courage! I have overcome the world" (Jn 16:33). **If you are part of the Diocese of Aberdeen and interested in joining us for WYD, please register your interest via this link** so we have an idea of numbers, and you can weigh in to help us create our pilgrim package: <https://forms.gle/XzZAcqBVKZkPffjK7>.

SCIAF WEE BOXES: If you've been filling up a Wee Box during Lent, **can you please return it to the Church for counting by Sunday 19th April.** Many thanks. 😊

NEXT SUNDAY: Special Collection in support of the **Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund**, for overseas development and the relief of disasters. Thank you for your generosity!

Scottish Parliamentary Elections, May 7th 2026

The Catholic Bishops of Scotland are calling us to use our vote in the May election *wisely*. Check out rcpolitics.org for helpful tools to guide your voting, including notes on Catholic social teaching, the Catechism on key election topics, suggested questions for candidates and a prayer for the election.