



St Patrick's

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The Cardinal on Kenya

This is an extract from a homily preached by Cardinal O'Brien in St Mary's Cathedral last Sunday.

When the recent troubles erupted my thoughts immediately went to those suffering in Kenya and also to the Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception and their valued apostolate in that country, as well as to the Kiltegan Fathers.

Our Sisters in Kenya are involved in working with peoples of various tribes - many have had notices left for them telling them to get out of the area. A lot of the HIV clients and workers on the projects with the Sisters are affected by this and many have either gone into hiding or have reluctantly returned to their own rural areas. Many people go to the Nuns' compound for refuge, sleeping in the church or the open air.

Numbers of foreigners are already leaving the country because they see no immediate sign of any resolution to the conflict. Our Sisters are staying in Kenya continuing their missions of mercy. They write: 'The number of dead exceeds any figure that has been published and the human suffering is incalculable.'

If you'd like to support this work donations can be sent to: Sister Loyola, St Teresa's, 86 Saracen Street, Glasgow G22 5AD

Welcome! If you're visiting Edinburgh, are new to the parish, or live here and visiting St Pat's, you are most welcome. We are delighted you have joined us. Please stay on afterwards for refreshments in the foyer.

Church restoration

Phase 1 of the restoration of the church begins on Monday (28th) with repairs to the roof. This work will last until July.

Justice and Peace Group

The first meeting of the year will take place this Tuesday 29th January at 7pm in the Memorial Room. Pauline, from the Himalayan Educational Trust, will be the speaker. All welcome.

Fair Trade

There will be a Fair Trade stall in the foyer after all Masses next weekend (3/4th February).

As a Fair Trade church we not only make Fair Trade goods available through the stall, we also try to use Fair Trade tea and coffee ourselves for the tea and coffee after Mass. We are always grateful for donations of tea and coffee from parishioners; we are even more grateful when these donations are of Fair Trade tea and coffee.

Prayer Group

If anyone would be interested in forming a Charismatic Prayer Group in the parish please contact Joan Inglis - 440 2482

4.30 Mass

Volunteers are needed to do tea and coffee after the Mass. Any offers?

ELSEWHERE

Easter Play 2008

This dramatic presentation of the death and resurrection of Jesus takes place in Princes Street Gardens on Saturday 22nd March at 2.30pm. If you can support this venture in any way, please see flyers in the foyer.

Receptionist wanted

Scottish Marriage Care is looking for a volunteer to act as a receptionist/chaperone at the Gillis Centre. The commitment would be 2 to 3 hours per fortnight. For more information please contact Trish Barry on 623 8919.

Vespers Choir

Rehearsal on Wednesday at 7pm.

Schola Cantorum

Practice on Tuesday at 7pm. Please note: the practice will be in the church.

Vespers & Benediction

Next Sunday, 3rd February, there will be Vespers and Benediction at 6pm. There will be Vespers and Benediction every Sunday during Lent.

Collection

Last Sunday's collection amounted to £1482.88. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday 26th January

5.00pm Richard Hopes (Died recently)

Sunday 27th

9.00am People of the parish

11.00am Hughie & Sarah Hanvey
(Anniversary)

4.30pm Eita Lynch (Died recently)

Monday 28th

8.00am John Cassidy (Sick)

12.30pm Mary Beresford (Died recently)

Tuesday 29th

8.00am Margaret Mackay (Anniversary)

12.30pm Ellen & Frank Kellacher
(Anniversary)

Wednesday 30th

8.00am Eddie Hunter (Died recently)

12.30pm Elizabeth Curren (Died recently)

Thursday 31st

8.00am Nick Saddler (Died recently)

12.30pm Theresa Duncan (Anniversary)

Friday 1st February

8.00am Michael McGeady (Anniversary)

12.30pm Nellie Donnelly (R.I.P)

Saturday 2nd

8.00am Intentions of Jean Hughes

5.00pm Annie McCafferty (R.I.P)

Sunday 3rd

9.00am Intentions of Rose Boyle

11.00am Broomfield family

4.30pm People of the parish

Sunday Masses: 5pm (Saturday), 9am, 11am, 4.30pm

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday: 8am and 12.30pm. Saturday 8am only

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Monday to Friday: 12noon to 12.15pm. Saturday: 11.30am to 12.30pm

The church is open from 7.30am to 4pm daily. The holy shop is open between 11am and 2pm