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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR-B. 18TH FEBRUARY 2024

Vigil (Saturday):	6.00 pm
Confession (Saturday):	5.15 – 5.45 pm
Sunday Mass:	9.30 am
Weekdays Mass: Mon, Wed & Fri:	10.00 am
Friday: Stations of the Cross:	6.00 pm

St Clement's

Sunday Mass:	11.00 am
Weekday Mass: Tue & Thu.	09.00 am
Sat –Holy Mass in the Convent:	10.00 am

FEAST AND MEMORIAL

Thu 22nd Feb: Chair of St Peter the Apostle - Feast

NEXT SUNDAY 25th FEBRUARY 2024: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT: YEAR – B

SICK & ANNIVERSARIES:

Please pray for all sick in our parish especially Bishop Robson & his mother Marjory, May McGeary, Cath Adam, Catherine Reid, Kathleen Wilson, Alice Smith, Jim Gibson, Lusia, Brian Murphy, Lizzie Ward, Claire Walker, Monsignor Basil O'Sullivan, Esther Sinclair, Bill Butter, Tom Brown & Chachitika Mulenga. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for them.

Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died and whose anniversaries occur this time Jess Emsley, Patricia Ann Morris, Sarah Clark, Margaret Clink, John Clink & Jose Alvillares. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them: may they rest in peace. Amen

COFFEE/TEA: Please enjoy your coffee/tea after the Sunday Holy Mass in the Church Hall.

200 Club Winners: 11/02/2024 No. 99 C. Brunton.

Special Collection for 'The Ecclesiastical Students Fund' will be taken up this weekend Masses.

Sunday Collection for Jan 204: £2050.47

White Flower Appeal (SPUC): **£220.14**

Collection for Justice & Peace: **£257.30**

Journeying Together in Lent: What can we do?

1. THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS this Friday at 6pm

2. PASSION PLAY BY THE YOUTH OF THE PARISH

The Youth Group of the parish would like to present a short play: The Passion and Death of Jesus in St Ninian's Church on the evening of **Good Friday 29th March at 6pm**. We have so few young people attending services in church that I am sure you will want to support them in any way you can. So please:

SIGN UP TO HELP

We need a few adults MEN AND WOMEN to form part of the crowd on the way to Calvary. One rehearsal nearer the time should be sufficient. The adults will not have speaking parts but will be there to support the young people. Please sign up at the back of the church if you are happy to help.

LOOK OUT YOUR OLD CURTAINS:

We need quite a few old curtains for costumes.

Augustine, one of our Saturday Vigil parishioners has kindly agreed to transform the curtains into robes for the actors. **THANK YOU**

3. WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Our Christian friends from Muirhead Church who attended our Advent ecumenical service in December have invited us to their Café-style worship with refreshments and cakes on Friday 1st March at 2.30pm in Muirhead Church. This year's service was written by Palestinian women and slides of the Holy Land will be used to help focus our thoughts. With the current situation in Israel Palestine, it will be an excellent opportunity to offer prayer for all caught up in the conflict. Please know that everyone is welcome to attend.

4. Food Bank

This Lent, maybe we could gather donations for our local food banks which include St Ninian's Primary School. Your donations make a huge difference as we support the people in our community. A useful calendar with ideas for each day of Lent is attached with the online newsletter and for those not online, a printout can be found at the back of the church.

Donation for Big Lent Walk: A team of around 20 parishioners from St Ninian's and St Clement's have signed up for the Big Lent Walk which supports SCIAF and CAFOD in their overseas work. If you would like to make a donation in support of the team it would be much appreciated and there are sheets at the back of the Church. There is also still plenty time to join up if you wish to do the Walk!

There will be a **Diocesan Lenten Retreat Day** at St Mary's, Forebank on Saturday 2 March from 10am until 3pm. Please see the poster for more details.

Episcopal Ordination: The date has now been confirmed for the Episcopal Ordination of our **Bishop Elect Martin Chambers**. It will take place in **St. Andrew's Cathedral on Saturday, 27th April, 2024 at 11.00 a.m.**

Right to Life: Please support an amendment to reduce our abortion law from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Babies born prematurely at 22 weeks are thriving and there is a contradiction in our abortion law. Collect a postcard today from the back of the church and post it to your MP in support of this amendment!

The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend for those who are suffering bereavement through divorce/separation/widowhood. The weekend will take place from **5th – 7th April 24 at St. Mary's, Kinnoull**. For details: Louise 07926571004 or email; louise398@gmail.com. Application to be returned by 22nd March 24.

The annual SPUC Dundee Afternoon For Life will be held at the Pastoral Centre at Our Lady of Victories, Forebank, on **Saturday 16th March**. Tea and coffee and a chance to catch up with friends from 12.30pm; and talks from 1 - 4.30pm. This year's speakers are Bishop John Keenan,

Richard Lucas and Dr Gillian Wright (see poster for more details). For enquiries pls contact mcgraw.clare@gmail.com

PSALM RESPONSE:

Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.