

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sunday 13th April 2025 Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord – C

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

ST MARY'S BEAULY 11:00am

OUR LADY & ST BEAN, MARYDALE

9:00am (Confessions, 1st Sun) <u>no</u> Mass 2nd Sunday – go to St Mary's Eskadale

ST MARY'S ESKADALE

2nd Sunday in the month, 9:00am

ST MARTIN'S ULLAPOOL

1st 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month, 2:30pm

ST MAELRUBHA'S POOLEWE

2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 2:30pm

LOCHINVER: To be arranged

FORT AUGUSTUS

Sun 11:00am

WEEKDAY MASS

Tues:

7:00pm (Beauly)

Wed:

5:30pm (Cannich) 7:00pm (Beauly)

Thurs: The Lord's Supper *See Triduum programme below*

Friday: The Passion of The

Lord

Holy Saturday: At The Tomb of Christ

EASTER TRIDUUM PROGRAMME

Holy Thursday:	Good Friday:
Fort Augustus 5:30 pm	Beauly 3:00 pm
Marydale 6:00 pm	Fort Augustus 3:00 pm
Beauly 8:30 pm	
Holy Saturday:	Easter Sunday:
Ullapool 11:30 am	Beauly 11:00 am
Poolewe 11:30 am	Fort Augustus 11:00am
Fort Augustus 5:30 pm	
Marydale 6:00 pm	

Vocations We continue to pray for Deacon Aidan Matheson, Anh Tuan Nguyen, Rene De Los Reyes and Richard Webster.

Assisted Suicide Bill

Our nation stands at a crucial juncture regarding how we value human life, particularly the lives of people in the most vulnerable situations. **Lord David Alton** and **Baroness Jane Campbell** have written to every Catholic parish priest and reported that they have spoken to several MPS and colleagues on this matter. They agree that the most effective way to persuade MPs to oppose this dangerous Bill is through physical letters or postcards from constituents asking them to vote "no" to the Bill.

Not Dead Yet UK, a network of disabled people who oppose legalising assisted suicide, has very helpfully arranged for postcards to be printed and distributed throughout the UK. If these postcards are sent to your local MP in substantial numbers, we know they will have a genuinely significant impact.

We ask <u>you</u> to pick up a card and urgently send it to your local MP. In the case for Beauly it is **Jamie Stone** (Liberal). Cards can be found on the table at the back of the church.

White Flower Appeal 2025: Every Life Matters

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) are asking the UK Government to follow the United Nations in supporting the human right of the unborn.

The UN Declaration on the Rights of the Child states: "The child, by reason of his physical and mental immaturity, needs special safeguards and care, including appropriate legal protection, before as well as after birth."

SPUC also ask <u>you</u> to pick up one of their cards (at the back table), to complete your details, post it back to SPUC, who will ensure it is given to the Prime Minister.

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This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday

Beauly: Handley Family

Eskadale:

Ft Augustus:Page Family (God's Mercy & Love)

Poolewe:

Tuesday

Beauly:

Wednesday

Cannich: Brian Leak (RIP)

Beauly: Louise McCluskey (RIP)

Thursday

Beauly:

Fort Augustus:

Friday

Beauly:

Please pray for the sick of our parishes and all who ask for our prayers.

CONFESSION: call by the Parish House, phone, or email to make an appointment.

Confession: Wednesday 6:00 pm (Beauly)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Wed. 5:00pm

(Marydala), 7,00pm (Fart Avayatya)

(Marydale); 7:00pm (Fort Augustus)

DEVOTIONS, PRAYER and MASS: The

church is open via the side door; weekday morning and evening masses are held in the parish room, in the house.

After Mass, come to the parish room for a cup of tea or coffee, and maybe a biscuit or two. Meet up with friends or make new friends. Monies raised go to support Mary's Meals.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES (APRIL)

Simon Fraser, Annie Robbie, James Boreland

St Mary's Offertory (Sunday 6 April) Offertory collection £280.50 Second Collection £185.79

ST MARY'S DONATIONS

(1st Collection – Running Account A/c name:

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Acc number: 00711527 Sort Code 80-05-61

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RCD OF ABERDEEN – RCD BEAULY ST. MARY'S

Acc No: 10031469 Sort Code: 80-05-61

ULLAPOOL CHURCH ROOF APPEAL

A/c Name:

Ullapool & Gairloch St Martin of Tours

Account No:10109462 Sort Code: 80-05-17

Theme: Serving for God, Not for Show

Leo was well known in his parish and community for his charity work. He sponsored outreach programs, donated to orphanages, and regularly posted about his acts of kindness on social media. Smiling in photos with the needy, he often received praise like, "You're such an inspiration!" and "God must be so proud of you!" But deep inside, Leo began to notice something troubling - he only felt motivated to give when there was an audience. When no one was watching, the passion faded. He skipped visits if there were no cameras, and he grew impatient with those who couldn't offer him a "thank you."

Gospel: Luke 19:28-40

On Palm Sunday, during the reading of the Gospel, Leo heard how Jesus entered Jerusalem on a colt, not a grand horse. The people shouted "Hosanna!" and laid down cloaks, welcoming Him as King. But the priest's homily struck a nerve. "Jesus didn't come for applause," the priest said. "He came to serve, to save, and to sacrifice - even when it meant rejection. The same crowd that cheered Him would soon abandon Him. Palm Sunday challenges us: Are we following Jesus for praise, or are we truly living for Him?"

Leo sat in silence, convicted. He saw himself in the crowd - loud in celebration, but hesitant when there was no glory. He whispered a quiet prayer: "Lord, teach me to love in secret, to give without needing to be seen."

That week, Leo visited a widow in his parish - no selfies, no videos. Just listening, praying, and being present. For the first time in a long while, his heart felt full. It wasn't about being noticed. It was about being faithful.

Reflection: A King on a Donkey

In Luke 19:28–40, Jesus enters Jerusalem humbly, knowing that the same crowd praising Him would soon turn away. He doesn't seek applause - He seeks hearts.

Palm Sunday reminds us that it's easy to serve when people are watching, to give when there's praise. But the true follower continues even when the crowd disappears. The devil tempts us with performance-based holiness: doing good only to be admired, praised, or affirmed.

But Jesus teaches us to serve with humility—to give in secret, to love without expecting anything in return. That's the mark of true discipleship.

Call to Action:

As Holy Week begins, ask yourself:

- Do I serve for love of God or for approval from others?
- Am I willing to follow Christ even when no one else is looking?
- How can I love more authentically this week?

Let us follow the King who chose humility, not fame.

Let Us Pray:

Lord Jesus,

You came not to be served, but to serve.

Strip away my pride and teach me to love without conditions. Help me give without needing recognition, and follow You with a heart rooted in truth.

In this Holy Week, may I lay down my ego,

and welcome You not just with my words, but with my life. Amen.