

HOLY SATURDAY
AT THE TOMB OF CHRIST

Today the Church pauses at the Lord's tomb, contemplating his Passion, Death and Descent into the Underworld, awaiting his Resurrection in prayer and fasting.

10.00am MORNING PRAYER *in the Church.*

HOLY SATURDAY NIGHT
THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

The Easter Vigil on Saturday night is the "mother of all vigils" celebrated during the night Christ rose from the dead. Keeping watch, the Church awaits his resurrection and celebrates it in the Sacraments. Accordingly, the entire celebration takes place at night.

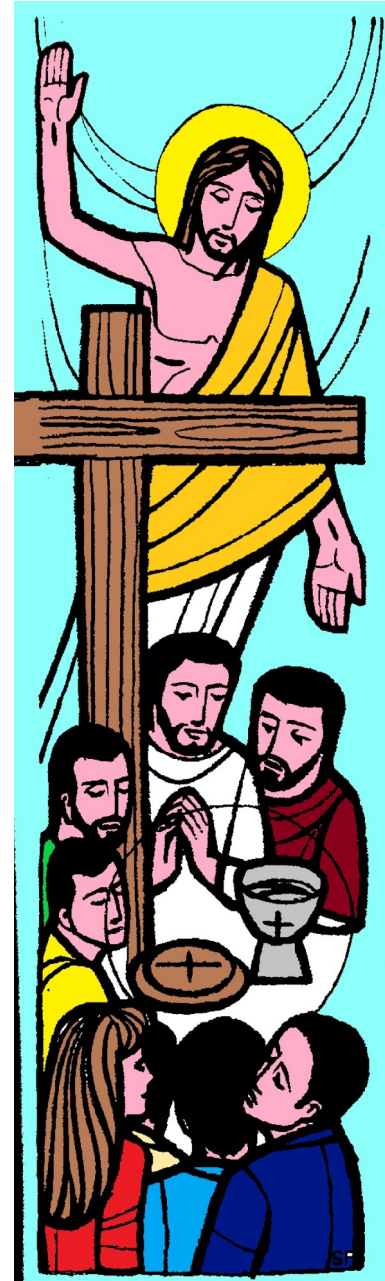
**Saturday 8.30pm SOLEMN VIGIL
OF
THE LORD'S RESURRECTION**
*CEREMONY OF THE FIRE
CHRIST OUR LIGHT
LITURGY OF THE WORD
LITURGY OF BAPTISM
THE FIRST MASS OF EASTER*

EASTER SUNDAY
MASS: 9.30am & 11.00am.

We will renew our Baptismal Promises at both Masses today.

OCTAVE OF EASTER
Each Day this week is celebrated as EASTER DAY.
MASS: Monday–Saturday: 10.00am

EASTERTIDE
The fifty days from Easter Sunday to PENTECOST are celebrated in joyful exultation as one great feastday, one "GREAT ALLELUIA!", for CHRIST IS TRULY RISEN!



St. Patrick's
Parish,
Greenock

The Liturgical
Celebration
Of Holy Week
&
Easter
2025

DEANERY DAYS OF PENANCE & RECONCILIATION

Wednesday, 9th. April:

St. John The Baptist Church, Port Glasgow: 10.00am-6.30pm.

Friday, 11th. April:

St. Mary's, Greenock: 10.30am-7.00pm.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2025

In Holy Week the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation in Christ's latter days on earth, beginning with his entry into Jerusalem where he was acclaimed as Messiah.

PALM SUNDAY OF OUR LORD'S PASSION

*Every Mass today commemorates
the Messianic entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.*

Mass: 5.30pm (Saturday Vigil); 9.30am, 11.00am.

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY: Mass: 10.00am

TUESDAY

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & RECONCILIATION

(In the Cry Chapel)

6.30—7.30pm,

with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

WEDNESDAY

7.00pm THE MASS OF THE CHRISM

St. Mirin's Cathedral, Paisley.

The coach will leave from the Church at 5.30pm.

The Mass of the Chrism demonstrates in a special way the unity of the Bishop with his Presbyterium (his priests). The priests of the Diocese renew the promises of their Ordination. The Bishop blesses the OILS of CATECHUMENS and of THE SICK. He consecrates the HOLY CHRISM which is used in the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders.

HOLY THURSDAY

**10.00am MORNING PRAYER
& RECEPTION OF THE NEWLY BLESSED HOLY OILS
(in the Church).**

THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

By the celebration of the Paschal Triduum, that is, of the Death, Burial and Resurrection of her Spouse, the Church means to make present and to fulfill the mystery of the Pasch, the passing over of the Lord from this world to the Father.

HOLY THURSDAY

EVENING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

This evening the Church celebrates Christ's INSTITUTION OF THE EUCHARIST of the ORDER OF PRIESTS and of his NEW COMMANDMENT (to love one another as he has loved us). For the Lord Jesus, the night he was betrayed, offered his body and blood in the form of bread and wine to his Father, gave them to the Apostles to eat and drink and commanded them and their priestly successors to offer them in memory of him. In this way he showed his love to the end.

6.30pm SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

9.00pm NIGHT PRAYER at the Altar of Repose.

GOOD FRIDAY

THE PASSION AND DEATH OF OUR LORD

Today the Church recalls her origin from the side of Christ her Lord and Spouse, and prays for the salvation of the whole world.

DAY OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE

SPECIAL COLLECTION for the HOLY PLACES

10.00am MORNING PRAYER in the Church.

**3.00pm SOLEMN COMMEMORATION OF
THE LORD'S PASSION AND DEATH**

Liturgy of the Word with the Reading of St. John's Passion

Veneration of the Cross

Holy Communion

There will be a collection for the Holy Places at this Liturgy.

**6.30pm Way of the Cross
Veneration of the Cross**