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Sunday 5th April 2020 – Passion Sunday Year A

Regular updates on what is happening in the parish due to the coronavirus are being emailed to those who are on the Parish Distribution List (these emails come from Admin St Ninians).

Because they are a group email some email providers block them or class them as spam so please check your junk folder if you have not received them.

If you wish to receive the updates you will need to be on the Parish Distribution List, and you can join by emailing:

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SCIAF – WEE BOX, BIG THANKS

Thank you to everyone in the parish for supporting SCIAF's Lenten Appeal. You can return your WEE BXES once it is safe to open our Churches again. Thank you once again for your great generosity.

Wishing you all a joyful Easter.

This year the SCIAF WEE BOX, BIG CHANGE Appeal has received UK Aid Match. This means that all public donations up until 20th May to the appeal will be doubled by the UK Government.

Parish Pilgrimage: 11- 13 September 2020

We still hope to run this year's trip to Durham and Linsdisfarne so please keep the dates in your diary. There is no need to pay any deposits at this time. To fill in your spare time at the moment you may be interested to watch a programme featuring Lindsisfarne which was recently shown on TV called **Villages By the Sea** . It will be available on BBC iplayer.

One World Group

In these difficult times, the One World Group members will be praying the Rosary (Joyous Mysteries) in their homes at 7.30 pm each Monday evening. Please join us. If you have any prayer intentions you would like us to pray for, please let us know. You can contact me as below in the 'newsletter' section.

Scottish Domestic Abuse Helpline

(24 hours): 0800 027 1234.

Safeguarding Contacts

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Newsletter

Any items by Wednesday midday please to Carol Mulvenna, work – 672 0134, home 672 1223, mobile 07762 924916, email cmulvenna@btinternet.com

If you know of anyone who would like the newsletter emailed to you each week, please let me know by emailing me as above.

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## **Gospel, *Mathew 21: 1-11***

When they were near Jerusalem and had come in sight of Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go the village facing you, and you will immediately find a tethered donkey and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you are to say, 'The Master needs them and will send them back directly.'

"This took place to fulfil the prophecy: Say to the daughter of Zion: Look your king comes to you; he is humble, he rides on a donkey and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.

So the disciples went out and did as Jesus had told them. They brought the donkey and the colt, then they laid their cloaks on their backs and he sat on them. Great crowds of people spread their cloaks on the road, while others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading them in his path. The crowds who went in front of him and those who followed were all shouting:

"Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest heavens!

And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil. "Who is this?" people asked, and the crowds answered, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

### ***Reflecting on our Faith – Obedience and Humility***

**This week's gospel:** Matthew 21: 1-11 *Triumphal entry into Jerusalem*

Adults: We are called to die to ourselves in love for others. How do you live that in your own life?

Children: How do you allow Jesus to live in your heart?

Just a thought: With the crowd, Jesus went from "Hosanna!" to "Crucify him!" People's loyalties are fickle, unlike God's love for us, despite our weakness.

**Preparing for next week's gospel:** John 20:1-9 *Peter and the disciple at the tomb*

**Reflecting on our Faith during this week: Witness to Faith**

Adults: Describe an experience of resurrection in your own life or the life of your family.

Children: Jesus is with us today. How can you see him in the people around you in Church?

Just a thought: The tomb that was meant to contain the prized victim of Sin and Death lies empty. All obstacles to eternal love have been rolled away. In what ways can I share that Good News?

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The Global Catholic Climate Movement
Lenten Reflection 2020
Repenting of Ecological Sin and Cultivating Ecological Virtues

Laudato Si' reminds us that *'the ecological crisis is . . . a summons to profound interior conversion . . . which entails the recognition of our errors, sins, faults and failures, and leads to heartfelt repentance and desire to change.'*

And at the recent Synod on the Amazon, ecological sin was defined *'as an action or omission against God, against one's neighbour, the community and the environment.'*

During Lent we have examined each of the seven deadly sins through the lens of creation and paired it with an ecological virtue that can help us to restore our relationships with our Creator and creation. Our final focus is on **SLOTH**.

Week 6: Palm Sunday 5th April	Ecological Sin	SLOTH There is a risk of getting swept into the busyness of our lives that leaves us too tired or unmotivated to engage in solidarity. Pope Francis warns of this "globalization of indifference" and encourages us to live our lives responding to "both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (LS 49).
	Ecological Virtue	DILIGENCE This virtue encourages us to be faithful in our daily efforts to care for our sisters and brothers and common home. We must confront the lethargy that can tempt us with inaction remembering that "living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue" (LS 217).
	Healing Action	COMMIT FOR THE LONG RUN As you enter into this holiest of weeks, ask for the grace to continue this journey of ecological conversion beyond Lent and the Easter Season. Identify one virtuous action to continue to live out your commitment to care for our common home.

Some 'Healing Actions' from pupils at St Ninian's

Always have a carrier bags with you so that you don't end up buying another unnecessarily.

Don't fill up your kettle to boil if you only need a little amount of water.

Don't boil the kettle when you don't need to.

Make sure that lights are switched off when no one is in the room or when natural light is enough.

Walk or use public transport instead of using a car.

If possible try to buy things that have less packaging.

Make sure you recycle as much as you can.

Re-use jars, bottles or containers for a new purpose rather than throwing things away.

Donate any good quality unwanted items to charity.

New is not the only option - buy second hand items!