

South East Edinburgh Cluster of Roman Catholic Parishes

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Sunday 1st April 2018 – Easter Sunday Year B

	Saint Gregory's	St John Vianney's	Saint Catherine's
Monday 2nd			9.00 am
Tuesday 3rd	9.45 am		
Wednesday 4^h			9.00 am
Thursday 5th			7.30 pm Mass for Cardinal O'Brien
Friday 6th		9.45am	
Saturday 7th	6.30 pm		
Sunday 8th		9.30 am	11.00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: before Vigil Mass or by arrangement.

Sacrament of Anointing: By arrangement

Mass Intentions: Bob and Hazel Selby, Michael Boyle, Michael Reilly, Cardinal Keith O'Brien, Jimmy, Jean and James Cole, Louie Curlless, Helen Harrison, Anne McGee, Craig McAleer, Ide ni Riain RSCJ, Deirdre Doyle RSCJ.

Anniversaries: Norman Stanley Watson, Pope John Paul II, Patrick Keenan Monaghan, Owen Donnelly, Josephine Marshall, James McPartlin, Philip Erasmuson, Richard Bull, Bridget Stoodley, Jim McGuire, Madge Healy, Marion Milne, Thomas McGrath, Patrick McKelvey, James Crawford, Anne Fielding, Rose Fawcett, Edward Calvey, Patrick Taylor, Winnifred Julia Cummings, Patrick McDevitt (Jnr), Kathleen O'Keefe, Bridget Metcalf.

A Happy and Blessed Easter

He is risen! Hallelujah! We wish you and all your family a very happy Easter.

May the joy of the resurrection fill your hearts with the peace of Christ.

If you are visiting we extend a particularly warm welcome to you!

Reflecting on our Faith: *Love and Betrayal* - this week's question

Adult: *When have you felt that you betrayed the confidence of another, as Peter did when he denied Jesus?*

Children: *When have you let someone down who trusted you? How did you feel?*

ALPHA

Thursday 19th April: **Alpha Taster Session**. St John Vianney Church Hall @ 7-9pm. All invited!



Our first cycle of Alpha concluded last week and everybody is talking about it! Why not give it a try at the Taster Session on 19th April? Come and enjoy some food and friendship and watch the first session of Alpha. Alpha will be running again April-June as follows:

Starting 23 rd April	Morning Alpha @ St Gregory's	Mondays 10.30-12noon
Starting 23 rd April	Alpha @ Danderhall: Salon Sixty-Nine	Mondays 7-9pm
Starting 25 th April	Evening Alpha @ St Catherine's Hall	Wednesdays 7-9pm

Alpha Connect Group

A follow-up to Alpha for **anyone** who wishes to develop their faith. Starts Monday 23rd April. Every Monday 9.00-10.30am at St Gregory's exploring the riches of the Bible over 8 sessions.



Divine Renovation

In response to the call to become **missionary disciples** anyone who cares about spreading the Good News and making our faith community a place of **mission not maintenance** is being invited to read, pray and then discuss the book by Fr James Mallon ***Divine Renovation***. Many parishioners are already reading the book and are feeling challenged and inspired.

You are being invited to do the same and to participate in the small group discussions starting:

Saturday 21 st April	10.30-12noon	St Gregory's
Sunday 22 nd April	1230-2.00pm	St Catherine's
Sunday 22 nd April	6.00-7.30pm	St John Vianney's

There are six sessions in total and groups will meet every two weeks.

Purchase the book online or speak to Gerry to order a copy (£10): gmulvenna@btinternet.com

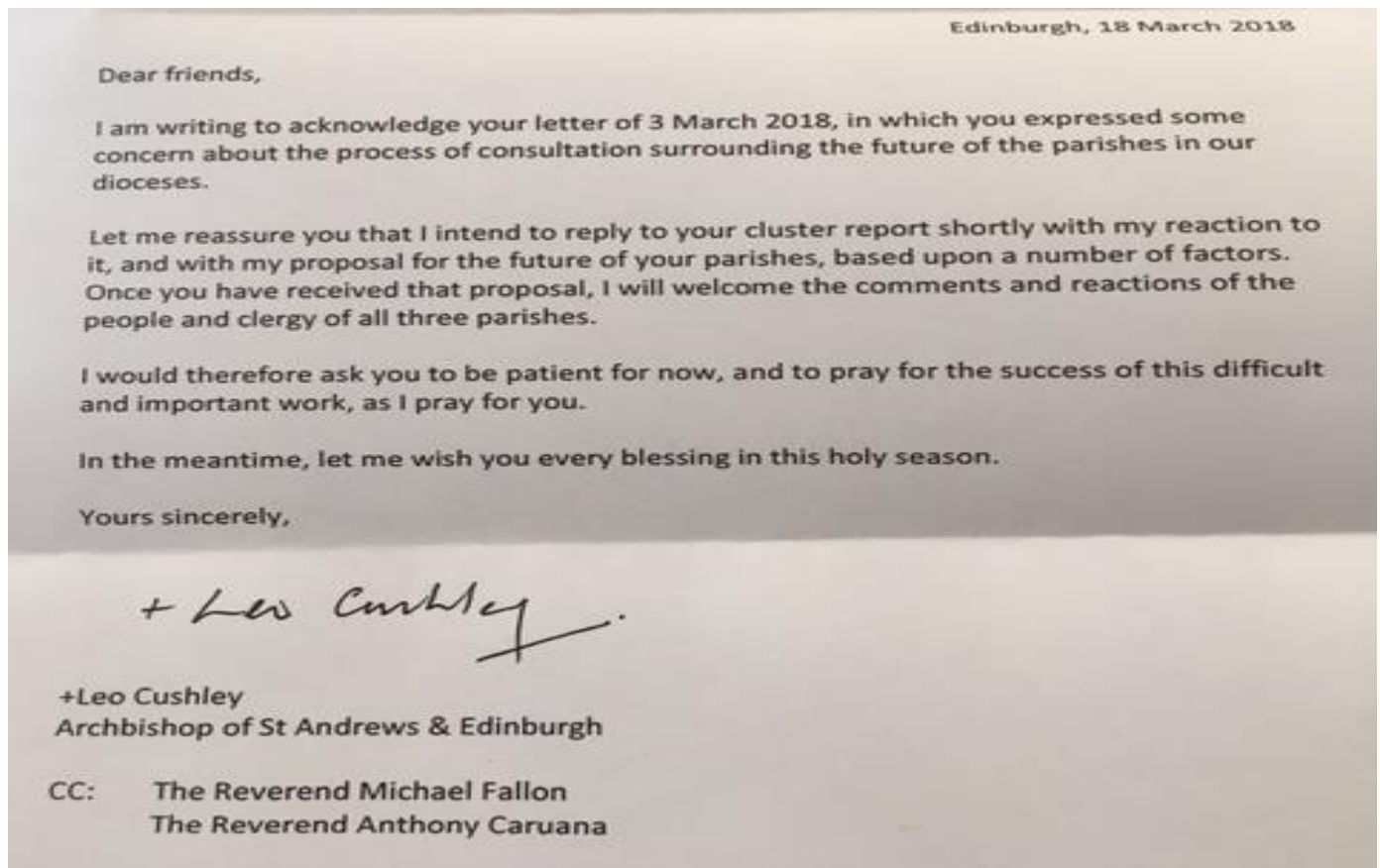
Divine Renovation Launch Session

Friday 13th April 7-8pm

St John Vianney's Hall

We will be holding an informal launch session of our *Divine Renovation* groups. This will give you a chance to meet other participants over a glass of wine. We will use this opportunity to explain in more detail how we hope your contribution can shape the direction of travel of our faith community. It will also give us a chance to respond to any practical needs such as transport or childcare. We are also exploring the possibility of running a parallel programme for children (aged 8+) and for teenagers, if there is enough interest and help. Children welcome.

Archdiocesan Parish Clustering: The Archbishop has replied to our PPC's letter about the need for greater consultation in the letter below. The Archbishop has already made it known that he was impressed by the quality of our Cluster Report and we welcome his openness to sincere dialogue with the people of our parishes. We hope to have further updates to share once the Archbishop sends his feedback and proposals.



Cardinal O'Brien's Funeral Mass will be celebrated in Newcastle this Thursday. Mass will be offered for the repose of his soul on the same day at St Catherine's at 7.30pm. The burial will take place at Mt Vernon on Friday 6th April at 1pm. We remember all the good he achieved in his time as our bishop and we pray that God will grant him eternal peace.

Sister Mary

Sister Mary is continuing her recuperation at the Sacred Heart House in Dalkeith. "Rosehill", 27 Park Road, Eskbank, Dalkeith EH22 3DH. If you would like to pay her a visit it would be helpful if you contacted Maureen Christie 664 7234 who will keep a "diary".

Faith Sharing Sessions at Harmony Crescent

Dates for the next sessions are: April 23rd, June 4th, and July 2nd. We begin at 7.30 pm and usually end by 9.30 pm after a cup of tea and chat. Why not come and join us! If you need any more information please contact Maureen Wallbanks, or Srs Christine and Jeannette.

SCIAF WEE Box

Please return your WEE Boxes NOW. It's more important than ever that we receive your donations as early as possible, as the **UK government will patch all donations we receive by 8th May.**

Cluster Walking Group

Our twice cancelled walk from Peebles to Innerleithen will now take place on **Saturday 7th April**. Distance 7 miles on a level path. Meet at Kaimes Crossroads (the top of Captains Road) at 10-00 am. Either bring a packed lunch or we can get a snack at the station cafe at Cardrona. If interested please contact me. George McDermid, Tel - 666 2236, Mobile 07871 476297

YOUTH NEWS

Ecumenical Stations of the Cross. Well done to our young adults who led a meditation on the Five Wounds of Jesus and Humanity together with young adults from other Christian churches.

Holy Island Pilgrimage: Please pray for our young adults who will be on pilgrimage to Holy Island this week. This will involve a 17-mile walk...hopefully in decent weather! Our group will be joined by young adults from Falkirk. There are still 2 places going due to last-minute cancellations – speak to Fr Anthony today if interested!

docat@stpats: after the discussion generated last week about economy and inequality we will follow with a closer look at what the Church teaches about a Just Economy for all.

Sunday 29th April at St Pat's 5.30-7.00pm, followed by pub.

St Catherine's News

Offertory: £846.81; **Gift Aid:** £135.

Cleaning Group: 4.

St Gregory's News

Offertory: £315.92, **Total Income:** £358.72; **Gift Aid:** £19.50;

Expenditure: £323.59

Bonus Ball: 49.

South East Edinburgh Food Bank - thanks to everyone who regularly donates. However, donations have dropped a wee bit recently, so how about making an extra effort for Lent? Just bringing one item of non-perishable food each week would make such a difference. The school Easter Holidays will start in a few weeks which can be a difficult time for families who use the Food Bank. Many thanks.

Hall Bookings: The charge for booking the hall is £15 an hour or £100 for a full day until 10.30pm. To book the hall please call: 07941 398 625.

St John Vianney's News

Offertory: £420.45; **Total Income:** £456.25; **Gift Aid:** £61.37;

Expenditure: £684.43

Church Cleaning: Group 4.

Edinburgh Direct Aid: There is a box at the back of church for donations of good clothing/shoes/toiletries and pens/pencils for shipment to the refugee camp in Lebanon. Please do what you can to help them.

Ladies' Guild: Meets this Wednesday 4th April, 7.30 pm at Ethel Ferguson's, 36 Moredun Park Street, tel: 07905035841

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