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St. Dominic Savio



On a beautiful spring day, April 2, 1842, in the village of Riva, two miles from the town of Chieri, in the province of Piedmont, northern Italy, Dominic Savio was born. He was the second of eleven children born to Charles and Brigid Savio, who were poor, hard-working, pious people. Charles was a blacksmith. Dominic was a remarkable boy. What we know of him comes from a biography written by St. John Bosco and the testimony of family and friends. He attended the Oratory of St. Francis De Sales a school, youth center and hospice founded by Don Bosco. Dominic was very

bright and enjoyed school as well as play. He was well liked and respected by his friends. Dominic had remarkable control over his emotions, and while he could get angry like any of his companions, he was able to control himself in most situations. He was friendly and showed early his leadership qualities and a strong sense of duty. He was a prayerful person and had an ever-maturing spirituality. The Savios attended church in the town of Murialdo and the pastor, Father John Lucca, knew them well. He saw Dominic in Church often. Once he learned to serve Mass he was there every day. While children of the time customarily received their first Communion in their early teens, Fr. Lucca recognized the boy's remarkable piety and let him make his First Communion at the age of seven. As the day of his first Communion drew near, Dominic wrote down four resolutions, remarkably mature thoughts of a seven year old:

- *I will go to Confession and Communion as often as my confessor will allow.*
- *I will sanctify Sundays and holy days in a special way.*
- *Jesus and Mary will be my friends.*
- *Death but not sin.*

All his life, he lived by these four resolutions.

"Quietness is essential to the growth in the Spirit. Your soul needs silence like you need air to breathe and water to drink. While the modern world is filling up with more and more noise, God is inviting us into the silence and into his presence. Here, in the presence of God, we will find rest for our weary hearts and minds. In the great classroom of silence we will develop resolute hearts and peaceful spirits." (Matthew Kelly)

Liturgy for the Week - Fourth Week of Lent [Year I]

ST PETER IN CHAINS <i>Father Duncan McVicar Canon Matt McManus Sister Ursula, Sister Anna</i>	ST PETER'S MASS INTENTIONS <i>RD = Recently Died, A = Anniversary, T = Thanksgiving; SI = Special Intention</i>	ST BRIDE'S <i>Fr Duncan McVicar Fr Gerry Hamill</i>	ST MARY'S <i>Canon Martin Poland Canon Matt McManus Sister Ursula, Sister Anna</i>	ST JOHN'S <i>Canon Martin Poland Canon Matt McManus Sister Ursula, Sister Anna</i>
SATURDAY, 29TH MARCH Fourth Sunday of Lent Vigil Mass at 5.30pm	Jenny McGreechin (RD) Kevin Doherty (A)			
SUNDAY, 30TH MARCH Fourth Sunday of Lent Holy Mass at 10.30am	For all the deceased members of our Parish of St Peter's	For all the deceased members of our Parish of St Bride's and Peter Ross (A)		
MONDAY, 31ST MARCH 4th Week of Lent Rosary at 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am	Leo Kevin Mackie (SI) Joe Howie (A)			
TUESDAY, 1ST APRIL 4th Week of Lent Stations of the Cross at 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am	Ann McDonald (SI)	Morning Prayer of the Church at 9.40am Holy Mass at 10am Felix Hamill (A) and Colin Robertson (A)		
WEDNESDAY, 2ND APRIL 4th Week of Lent Rosary at 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am	Dorothea & Charles Campbell (A)			
THURSDAY, 3RD APRIL 4th Week of Lent Rosary at 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am	Kathleen Moran (T) Eamon Kawasi (RD)			
FRIDAY, 4TH APRIL 4th Week of Lent Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am Benediction at 10.30am St Peter's Cafe afterwards	We pray for those in hospital at the present time.	Stations of the Cross at 9.30am Holy Mass at 10am		
SATURDAY, 5TH APRIL Fifth Sunday of Lent [C] Vigil Mass at 5.30pm	Harry Sammons (A) Jacky Brown (A)			

LENT MOTIVATION FROM POPE FRANCIS

"Lent is a time for believing, for welcoming God into our lives and allowing him to "make his dwelling" among us. Living a Lent with hope means feeling that, in Jesus Christ, we are witnesses of the new time, in which God "makes all things new" (cf. Rev 21,1-6). In this life we will always have things to do and we will have excuses to offer, but right now, brothers and sisters, today is the time to return to God. Lent is a journey that involves our whole life, our entire being. It is a time to reconsider the roads we are taking, to find the way back home, to rediscover the fundamental bond with God, on which everything depends." (Pope Francis)



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Angela Doherty, Louise Milligan, Claire Devine, Kirsty Benson,
Jim Kelly, Archie Blades, Mary McKinney, Jim Donnelly.



THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY
John McDonald

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AT THIS TIME OF YEAR

Mark Kilday 2022, John Mullen 2020, Sarah Anderson 2003,
Pauline Grear 2020, Elizabeth Hughes 2013, James Kelly 1983,
Michael McCann 2012, Sandy Miller 1979, Gus Slimman 1993,
Isabella Stuart 2004, William Friel 1994, Peter Hughes 2011, Irene
Mathieson 2012, Jane McFarlane 2006, James McLaughan 2023,
Kenneth McSkimming 2002, Jenny Murphy 1998, Marjorie
Robertson, Margaret Shanks 1993, Margaret Murphy, Monsignor
John O'Farrell 2008, Pope John Paul II 2005, James Smith 1959,
Archie McFarlane, Harry Quinn 1993, Patrick Tomelty 2004,
Thomas Watt 2017, Annie Adam 1997, Mattie Friel 1995, Dominic
Gribben 2018, Barbara Henderson, Frank McCaffrey 2012, Jane
Mullen 2003, Annie Murphy 1981, Agnes Ward 2001, Margaret
Boyd 2004, Jacky Brown 2022, George Lee 1992, Harry Sammons
2024, James Wilson 2013

■ H.C.P.T Lourdes Group 376

Gerry Cavani is running the London marathon to raise money for the group. We have waited many years to secure a place for one of our members as spaces are very limited. You can donate through www.justgiving.com/page/germy-cavani-1727614390636 or alternatively Esther Coulter will accept any donations. The group is travelling to Lourdes at Easter. *Our Lady of Lourdes Pray for Us.*

■ Sunday Teas at St Peter's next Sunday

Tea and Coffee will be served by the SSVP next Sunday after Mass. Come and join us.

■ West Kilbride Village Larder Collection

Today is the last Sunday for the Larder Collection. Favourite items are: Tins of Meat, Jars of Coffee (small), Tea Bags. Other items welcome. *Thank you!*

■ Congratulations to Canon Matt

Congratulations and thanksgiving on 3rd April for Canon Matt, who will be celebrating his 60th Anniversary of priesthood. He was ordained in the Good Shepherd Cathedral, Ayr on 3 April 1965. We wish him God's blessing and a day of grace! Celebration to come in May! Watch this space!

■ Journals from Jerusalem – Holy Land Talk

Anne-Marie Clements from Justice & Peace Scotland will present a talk and reflections on her recent journey to Jerusalem while accompanying Archbishop Bill Nolan for the Holy Land Coordination 2025. The afternoon will feature stories heard first hand from the Christian communities in Jerusalem and the West Bank with an opportunity for discussion and Q&A. Tea and coffee provided. All welcome! Details: Saturday 5th April - Parish Centre, St Peter in Chains, Ardrossan, KA22 8DU 3.00pm.

■ Letter of Thanks from Bishop Brian McGee

"We are called to respond to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor, and as someone who has seen this in action with SCIAF's partners, I can assure you that the global Catholic Church is doing exactly that. But we must continue. Serving the poor is one of the ways that we live out our faith. It is only with your support in prayer, in volunteering time, and through generous donations, that the work of SCIAF is possible. It is only with your support in prayer, in volunteering time, and through generous donations, that the work of SCIAF is possible. This year's WEE BOX Lenten Appeal brings our attention to the country of Colombia, and SCIAF's work of peace-building. In Colombia, violence lurks around every corner. Families are turfed from their homes, children are forced into illegal activities, and armed gangs use fear to control large parts of the country. People living in the poorest region of Chocó are particularly at risk. Your donations do make a real difference. They can provide essentials like blankets, soap and food packs for families who are displaced. It can help provide counselling sessions for children affected by trauma. And your donations will also help people after the violence subsides, giving them the tools they need to rebuild their lives. We do believe a better world is possible. We believe a more peaceful world is possible. God bless you and your families during this Holy Season of Lent". +Bishop Brian McGee

■ Mothers' Day Today - Many Blessings!

Mother's Day is always on the Fourth Sunday of Lent.. It was originally a day where people would visit their "mother" church. The mother church would have been the place where you were baptised. We should not just remember our earthly mothers and grandmothers but also remember Mary, the Mother of God who is also our Mother. Mary looks out for us all year round and whenever we say a Hail Mary we are asking her to pray for us. *We wish all our mothers a day of blessing and joy!*

■ Chrism Mass Bus during Holy Week

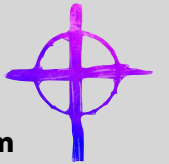
The time of the Chrism Mass at St Margaret's Cathedral has changed to 7:00 pm. The bus will now leave St Peter's at 5:45 pm. Please put your name and contact details on the list at the back of the Church. *Thanks!*



Monday, 31st March at 7pm
St Peter in Chains, Ardrossan



Tuesday, 1st April at 2pm
St Mary's, Saltcoats



Wednesday, 2nd April at 7pm
St John's, Stevenston

*"Don't be afraid to go to the Sacrament of Confession,
where you will meet Jesus who forgives you."*

Pope Francis

JUST FOR A LAUGH...

The weary Parish Priest knocked on another door in Ardrossan, fully expecting to have it slammed in his face. Sure enough, the older woman who answered, angrily demanded that he leave once she figured out why he was there and slammed the door. The door, however, bounced back open, and the woman shouted, "Get your foot out of my door!" "But missus..." the priest began, when the woman again slammed the door in his face. Once again it bounced back open. "I said get your foot out of my door!" the woman yelled again. One more time she slammed the door. One more time it bounced open again. "But missus..." the priest said again, only to be cut off. "Don't talk back to me!" the woman screamed in a rage. "I want you off my property!" She slammed the door a fourth time, only to see it bounce open a fourth time. "Missus," the priest yelled as he beat a hasty retreat down the path, "you'll be able to close your door if you move your cat out of the way!"

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