

Glasgow Jewish Representative Council



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The Council was founded in 1914 to speak on behalf of the Jewish Community of Glasgow and the West of Scotland. It fosters good relations between the Jewish Community and others, manages the Jewish Community Centre on behalf of the entire Community, and provides a democratic forum for the synagogues and the welfare, educational, social and cultural organisations in the Community. We are recognised as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation, No SC047108.

Bishop Brian McGee,

12th April 2022.

Dear Bishop McGee,

Thank you so much for your kind letter sent for the festival of Passover, (Pesach) which we Jews celebrate from this Friday night for eight days. It is a celebration of our freedom when we remember our escape from enslavement in Egypt after many years of horrific oppression.

We are also cognisant that other major religions celebrate religious events this week, especially Easter where Christians throughout the world are celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

We, as Jews welcome and embrace all these celebrations and seek to work together with you and the other religious leaders to engender continued peaceful coexistence where all people in Britain and Scotland are free to live and worship freely and without restraint in a spirit of mutual understanding, respect and trust.

Our celebrations are marked by sadness at the war in Ukraine where a tyrannical invasion continues and innocent people are suffering and being killed. Our thoughts and prayers are with them at this awful time for them and we stand together with you in condemning this cruel invasion of their country.

We will all pray for better times ahead and I wish you, Sister Isabel and all Catholics and Christians a happy and peaceful Easter.

With All Best Wishes,

Paul Edlin,

President.

