# TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 9th July Vigil of Fifteenth Sunday of the Year	(I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Jerry Toher's Int)		
Sunday 10th July Fifteenth Sunday of the Year (C)	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Pro Populo) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Margaret Thomson RIP) (R) 12.15pm Msza Święta w języku polskim		
Monday 11th July Feast of St Benedict	Fr's Day off		
Tuesday 12th July in the 15th Week of the Year	(R) 6.30pm Confessions (R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (Margaret Thomson RIP)		
Wednesday 13th July in the 15th Week of the Year	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Shelia Dredge's Int)		
Thursday 14th July in the 15th Week of the Year	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Joe Gallagher RIP)		
Friday 15th July Memorial of St Bonaventure	(R) 7.30am Holy Mass (Gordon Daglish RIP)		
Saturday 16th July Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel  Vigil of Sixteenth Sunday of the Year	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (John Devine RIP) (R) 10.30am Confessions (I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Malby Goodman RIP)		
Sunday 17th July Sixteenth Sunday of the Year (C)	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Pro Populo) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Catherine Pope RIP) (R) 12.15pm Msza Święta w języku polskim		



## **Prayer to Saint Michael**

St Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and the snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

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# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF Ss JOHN & COLUMBA ROSYTH AND



## ST PETER IN CHAINS INVERKEITHING

# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C) 10th July 2016

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In today's Gospel the scholar of the law asked Jesus, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? He answered: You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself." Jesus said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live." But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?"

What does Jesus' story about the 'Good Samaritan' tell us about true love for one's neighbour?

First, we must be willing to help even if others brought trouble on themselves — through their own fault. Second, our help must be practical. Good intentions and empathizing with others are not enough. And lastly, our love for others must be as wide as God's love.

No one is excluded. God's love is unconditional. So we must be ready to do good to and for others for their sake, just as God is good to us.

We should pray to God:

"Lord, may your love always be the foundation of my life. And may my love for you express itself in an eagerness to do good for others."

## **Today's Mass Responses:**

**Psalm:** Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me.

## Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

John Ash, Ronnie Gorman, Sandy Rankin, Paddy McCafferty, Susan Stevenson, May Lannan, Pat Condon, Theresa Murphy, Marie Boyle, Isabelle Doig, Alvaro Gagliardi, Joan McBride, Franki Murray, James McElhinney, Joe McBride, Helen O'Neill, Christopher Hawkings, Marie Cushley, Caghil Laverty (*Ireland*)

# Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

## **Parish Safeguarding Officers**

Lisa Quinn & Theresa Hughes (Rosyth) Bill Kirkton & Patricia Watt (Inverkeithing)

## Marriages & Baptisms

Arrangements for weddings (for which six months notice is required) and for baptisms should be made by appointment with Fr. Dow

## Sacrament of the Sick / Hospital Visitations

Those who require the Sacrament of the Sick at home should contact the Parish House to arrange for Fr. Dow to visit. The Anointing of the Sick should ordinarily be arranged prior to any prolonged hospital visit. The Catholic Chaplain to the Victoria Hospital is Fr Wanat SDS of St Marie's Kirkcaldy (Tel: 01592 592111). In cases of emergency where you or a family member require the pastoral assistance of the Catholic Chaplain please request this from the nursing staff at the hospital. For patients in Queen Margaret Hospital please contact Fr Chris Heenan at St Margaret's (625611)

Please note that a patient/family request must be made before the clergy can visit.

#### Names for sick list

Names can only be added by the person themselves or by a member of the family. Please advise Father of any name to be added or removed.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Please have any intention that is required to be said on a particular date in **a month** before hand. On occasion when a funeral takes place, the stated intention will be moved to the next available date.

## **Hall Bookings**

Please contact Mrs Pat Reid on 417214 for availability.

### **Bulletin Notices**

All notices should be dropped through the Presbytery letter box or sent by email by <u>Thursday evening</u>

Mass	Gift Aid	Non Gift Aid	Total
St Peter in chains (5.00pm)	£125.25	£117.00	£242.25
St Peter in chains (9.30am)	£55.50	£79.82	£135.32
Ss John & Columba (11.00am)	£63.00	£128.40	£191.40
Peter's Pence	Vigil: £185.38	9.30am £108.05	11am £134.50

# PARISH NEWS

Welcome: If you are a visitor to the parish, we want you to know how welcome you are whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world or simply from another parish.

We welcome to the parishes Fr Radosław Rybarski from the Diocese of Elk in northern Poland. Fr will be staying with us for a month covering for Fr Kevin who will be away fulfilling various Chaplaincy duties with his Battalion.

Msza Święta w języku polskim zostanie odprawiona w niedzielę, o godz.12.15, w kościele pw. Ss Jan & Kolumba's Church, Rosyth. Ks Radosław Rybarski; Diecezja Ełk

Musical evening of songs from the shows and the musicals, starring Clark Stewart and our very own Ashley Gardiner. Tickets £5 from Kathleen, Mary or Veronica at St Peter's. Please come and support this fund raising event that will pay for lighting for the stage.

#### 200 Club: June Winners:

1st Pat Armstrong; 2nd Maureen Cunningham; 3rd Eva Reddington—congratulations to all.

This is our Faith: Some of you may have been following the Catholic Media this past week and seen reports of an address given by Cardinal Sarah, who is the Prefect of the Congregation of the Sacraments and Divine Worship in the Vatican, in other words, the Bishop appointed by Pope Francis to deal with all things liturgical and Sacramental. In his address to a liturgy conference that took place in London this week, he made several key statements:

Cardinal Sarah encouraged traditional practices Pope Benedict proposed previously, including the use of Latin in the new Mass, as well as Gregorian chant. "We must sing sacred liturgical music not merely religious music, or worse, profane songs," he said. "The Council never intended that the Roman rite be exclusively celebrated in the vernacular. But it did intend to allow its increased use, particularly for the readings."

He also lamented the many abuses of the liturgy in the Church. "In recent decades," he observed, "we have seen many liturgical celebrations where people, personalities

and human achievements have been too prominent, almost to the exclusion of God."

Regarding the reception of Holy Communion: "Kneeling at the consecration (unless I am sick) is essential. In the West this is an act of bodily adoration that humbles us before our Lord and God. It is itself an act of prayer. Where kneeling and genuflection have disappeared from the liturgy, they need to be restored, in particular for our reception of our Blessed Lord in Holy Communion." With this in mind, we shall, as soon as possible, seek to return the Altar Rails in Rosyth, so that Communion may be distributed in the manner in which the Church was designed to allow for. In Inverkeithing, kneelers will be provided for the assistance of this "act of prayer."

Regarding the position of the priest at the Altar: "I want to make an appeal to all priests... I believe that it is very important that we return as soon as possible to a common orientation, of priests and the faithful turned together in the same direction—Eastwards or at least towards the apse—to the Lord who comes, in those parts of the liturgical rites when we are addressing God... I think it is a very important step in ensuring that in our celebrations the Lord is truly at the centre.

And so, dear Fathers, I ask you to implement this practice wherever possible, with prudence and with the necessary catechesis, certainly, but also with a pastor's confidence that this is something good for the Church, something good for our people.

Your own pastoral judgement will determine how and when this is possible, but perhaps beginning this on the first Sunday of Advent this year... may be a very good time to do this. Dear Fathers, we should listen again to the lament of God proclaimed by the prophet Jeremiah: "they have turned their back to me" (2:27). Let us turn again towards the Lord!"

He also reminded those present of the grave responsibility of priests regarding the Eucharist: "We priests, we bishops bear a great responsibility," he said. "How our good example builds up good liturgical practice; how our carelessness or wrongdoing harms the Church and her Sacred Liturgy!"

He warned his fellow priests, "Let us beware of the temptation of liturgical sloth, because it is a temptation of the devil."