TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 20th August	(I) 4.15pm Confessions		
Vigil of Twenty First Sunday of the Year	(I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Fr Tony MacDonald RIP)		
Sunday 21st August	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (James McKenna RIP)		
Twenty First Sunday of the Year C	(R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Pro Populo)		
Monday 22nd August			
Memorial of the Queenship of the BVM			
Tuesday 23rd August	(R) 6.30pm Confessions		
in the 21st Week of the Year	(R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (Protection of the Unborn)		
Wednesday 24th August	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Patricia Hare's Int)		
Feast of St Bartholomew			
Thursday 25th August	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Christopher Hawkins RIP)		
in the 21st Week of the Year			
Friday 26th August	(R) 07.30am Holy Mass (Agnes Starrs RIP)		
in the 21st Week of the Year			
Saturday 27th August	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (Karin Scott RIP)		
Memorial of St Monica	(R) 10.30am Confessions		
Vigil of Twenty Second Sunday of the Year	(I) 4.15pm Confessions		
	(I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Fr John Muldoon RIP)		
Sunday 28th August	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Pro Populo)		
Twenty Second Sunday of the Year C	(R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Pat Coyne RIP)		



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.

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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C 21st August 2016

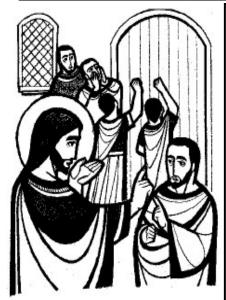
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Salvation is possible for all. Everyone may attain it, but such a gift from Jesus requires an effective and personal response from us. In Jesus' teaching we do not find the use of any threat to render people aware regarding salvation, but only an invitation to be fully aware of the extraordinary and irreversible opportunity of the gift of mercy and life before God and in dialogue with Him. Towards what and towards whom is your life pointing? How do you use your freedom? Are you able to welcome God's invitation to be co-responsible for your salvation or have you surrendered to waste and perdition?

If we consider the question of that person who asked Jesus: "Sir, will there be only few saved?", no one can consider him/herself privileged. Salvation belongs to all and all are called. The door to salvation may be closed for those who expect to enter with the unwieldy luggage of personal inconsistencies. Do you feel the desire to enter and be part of that «infinite throng from east and west who will sit at the table of the kingdom of God»? And if you see yourself as last (small, simple, sinner, bent by suffering...) if you live with love and hope, do not despair. Jesus said that the last will be first.

Today's Mass Responses:

Psalm: Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.

Gospel Acclamation:

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my father will love him, and we shall come to him.

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

John Ash, Ronnie Gorman, 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, Marie Cushley, Sheila Dredge

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Parish Safeguarding Officers

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

Baptisms & Marriages

Arrangements for weddings (for which six months notice is required) and 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 try to 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 $\underline{\text{Thursday}}$ $\underline{\text{evening}}$

Mass	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Total
St Peter in Chains (5.00pm)	£164.00	£74.41	£238.41
St Peter in Chains (9.30am)	£83.50	£60.90	£144.40
Ss John & Columba's (11.00am)	£56.00	£93.60	£149.60
African Mission & Holy Places	St Peter's £285.29	Ss J&C: £148.10	

NEWS & EVENTS

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.

New Ambo/Lecturn in St Peter in chains. As members and visitors to St Peter's will notice, we have invested in a wonderful new piece of furniture in the sanctuary that will help us to enhance the liturgy and the importance of the Word of God in our lives. We have also been furnished with a new 'vesting bench' in the sacristy, which again has enhanced the usefulness and tidiness of the sacristy.

The St Vincent de Paul Society is looking for donations of non-perishable food items and good quality used toys for local families in need. Please leave your donations at the back of the church.

Quiz Night Friday 23rd September – pit your wits against your fellow parishioners in teams of up to 6 people, raise some funds for the parish, have an enjoyable night out! Tickets £5 each, on sale after masses, BYOB, any donations of raffle prizes and cakes for the night very gratefully received.

The Ladies Group will meet on Wed 7th Sept at 7pm in the hall, with a jewellery-making demonstration from Angie Young. New members always welcome.

The National Pilgrimage in honour of St Margaret of Scotland will take place at 3pm on Sunday 4 September in Carfin, Lanarkshire. The main celebrant is Archbishop Philip Tartaglia of Glasgow. A number of priests and bishops will hear Confessions from Noon onwards until 3pm. All are very welcome. Archbishop Leo Cushley will be preaching.

Beginning Experience: There is a special heartache for those who find themselves single again. Now there is help. A weekend away for a lifetime of change. Next

weekend takes place at Conforti Centre, Coatbridge, 30 September 2016 -2 October 2016. For further details contact Ros on 0131 669 0003 or email rcm2524@yahoo.co.uk

Stewardship Reflection: "For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last." Luke 13:30

Our standards in our society are so different from God's standards. We often rate or rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards.

This is our Faith: Q. What is the significance of making the sign of the cross before and after private prayer?

A. The sign of the cross is closely tied to baptism. Jesus told the apostles, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Mt 28:19).

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us that when Catholics are baptized "the sign of the cross, on the threshold of the celebration, marks with the imprint of Christ the one who is going to belong to him and signifies the grace of the Redemption Christ won for us by his cross" (CCC 1235).

Thereafter, each time we make the sign of the cross we remember that we belong to Christ.

The Christian begins his day, his prayers, and his activities with the sign of the cross: "In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen." The baptized person dedicates the day to the glory of God and calls on the Saviour's grace which lets him act in the Spirit as a child of the Father. The sign of the cross strengthens us in temptations and difficulties. (CCC 2157)