TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

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Saturday 3rd September	(I) 4.15pm Confessions		
Vigil of Twenty-Third Sunday of the Year	(I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Mgr Michael Regan RIP)		
Sunday 4th September	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Paul DiCarlo RIP)		
Twenty-Third Sunday of the Year C	(R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Pro Populo)		
	Enrolment of children in P3&P4 for Sacraments		
Monday 5th September in the 23rd Week of the Year			
Tuesday 6th September	Dunf Crem 1.15pm Funeral of Anna Herriot RIP		
in the 23rd Week of the Year	(R) 6.30pm Confessions		
	(R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (Anne Tierney RIP)		
Wednesday 7th September	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Michael Devine RIP)		
in the 23rd Week of the Year			
Thursday 8th September Feast of the Nativity of the BVM	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Pat Coyne RIP)		
Friday 9th September	(R) 07.30am Holy Mass (Karine Scott RIP)		
in the 23rd Week of the Year	(I) 1000am Funeral Service for Ingie Murray RIP		
Saturday 10th September	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (Margaret Thomson RIP)		
in the 23rd Week of the Year	(R) 10.30am Confessions		
Vigil of Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year	(I) 4.15pm Confessions		
	(I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Mgr James Rae RIP)		
Sunday 11th September	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Pro Populo)		
Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year C	(R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Agnes Wilson RIP)		



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.

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ST PETER IN CHAINS INVERKEITHING

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C 4th September 2016

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Our hearts are nets made of chain. We have ties of tenderness and gratitude, ties of love and dependence, endless ties with everything that touches our feelings. Jesus speaks of ties of consanguinity: father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, and of ties with life itself which in the Semitic mentality is symbolised by blood. But the heart must be free of these ties in order to go to Him and create a new tie that gives life because it gives the person freedom to be his/her authentic self. Every disciple has but one task: to learn and not to depend. Blood ties create dependence: how often does affective blackmail stop people from building the tower of their existence? How often do the words: If you love me, do this! Or: If you love me, do not do this...? Life itself can imprison you when it ties you to that which does not suit you physically or mentally thus influencing your complicated story, or when it ties you to that which you choose haphazardly by a will made weak by a thousand grids of events and blackmail. The cross does not tie, it urges that all that you have may be shed, blood and water, even to the last drop: your whole life as a gift that does not expect any reward. To belong rather than to possess is the secret of the gratuitous love of the Master and of the disciple. Anyone who follows Jesus is not just any disciple who learns a doctrine, but is one who becomes a beloved disciple, capable of narrating the wonders of God when the fire of the Spirit will turn him/her into a flame on the candlestick of the world.

Today's Mass Responses:

Psalm: O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.

Gospel Acclamation:

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father

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

Anna Herriot RIP (Rosyth), Ingerborg Murray RIP (Inverkeithing)

Parish Safeguarding Officers

Lisa Quinn & Theresa Hughes (Rosyth); Maureen Ritchie & 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 <u>Thursday evening</u>

Mass	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Total
St Peter in Chains (5.00pm)	£167.50	£84.90	£252.40
St Peter in Chains (9.30am)	£75.50	£80.70	£156.20
Ss John & Columba's (11.00am)	£74.00	£104.70	£178.70
Building Fund	£28.00	£67.66	£95.66

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.

Enrolment for the Sacraments of Initiation: We welcome the children from Primary 3 and Primary 4 who wish to be prepared for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion today at the 11am Mass for the Rite of Enrolment.

A Parent's meeting will take place in St John's School on Wednesday 7th September at 6pm. Parents are reminded that at their child's baptism, they promised before God to be the first educators in the ways of the faith....

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.

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.

Damian Murray's Diaconate Ordination: is due to take place on Saturday 24th September at 1pm in St Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral, Edinburgh. Parishioners are welcome to attend. If enough interest is shown, a bus can be put on from the parishes. Please add your name to the list if you intend to go and tick the box if wishing to travel by bus.

The National Pilgrimage in honour of St Margaret of Scotland will take place at 3pm today 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.

Stewardship Reflection: "Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

This is our Faith: The Apostles Creed is what we say each Sunday, but what it is that we are stating we believe?

For the next few weeks in our newsletter, we will look at the Creed and have some references from the Catechism to explain further. Copies of the Catechism are still available from the church stalls.

I believe in God

God exists. There is only one God. He has revealed himself as "He who Is". His very being is Truth and Love. Even though he has revealed himself, he remains a mystery beyond understanding (Catechism, 178, 199, 200, 230, 231)

God is at the same time *one*, and *three persons*: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This is the central mystery of Christianity. (178, 261)

-Man responds to God's revelation by *faith*: believing God and adhering to his will. (176) -Faith is necessary for salvation. (183)

What God has revealed through Scripture and Sacred Catholic Tradition (what Christ taught to the Apostles) has been reliably written & handed down to us through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. (96 & 97)