

TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 12th March <i>Vigil of the 5th Sunday of Lent (C)</i>	(I) 4.15pm Exposition & Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Ann Fitzsimmons RIP</i>)
Sunday 13th March <i>5th Sunday of Lent (C)</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (<i>John Murray RIP</i>) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (<i>Christine Milligan RIP</i>)
Monday 14th March <i>Monday in the 5th Week of Lent</i>	No Mass
Tuesday 15th March <i>Tuesday in 5th Week of Lent</i>	(R) 6.30pm Confessions (R) 6.30pm Stations of the Cross (R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Ross O'Connor RIP</i>)
Wednesday 16th March <i>Wednesday in the 5th Week of Lent</i>	7.00pm in <i>St Agatha's Methil: Deanery Station Mass with Archbishop Cushley</i>
Thursday 17th March <i>Feast of St Patrick</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>Caroline O'Kane RIP</i>) (I) 10.30am Stations of the Cross
Friday 18th March <i>Friday in 5th Week of Lent</i>	(R) 07.30am Holy Mass (<i>Christine Milligan RIP</i>) (R) 3.00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet and Holy Hour
Saturday 19th March <i>Solemnity of St Joseph</i> <i>Vigil of Palm Sunday</i>	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>For our Fathers</i>) (R) 10.30am Exposition & Confessions (I) 4.15pm Exposition & Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Fr Michael Bell RIP</i>)
Sunday 20th March <i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (<i>Patrick McHale RIP</i>) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (<i>Pro Populo</i>)




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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (C)
12th/ 13th March 2016

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Today's Gospel account leads us to a meditation on the conflict between Jesus and the Scribes and Pharisees. Because of his preaching and his manner of acting, the doctors of the law and the Pharisees do not like Jesus. So they seek every possible way to accuse and eliminate him. They bring before him a woman caught in adultery to ask him whether they should observe the law that said that such a woman was to be stoned. They wanted to provoke Jesus. By posing as people concerned for the law, they were using the woman to argue with Jesus. The same story happens time and time again. Under the pretence of concern for the law of God, the three monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam, have condemned and massacred many people. This goes on today too. Under the guise of concern for the law of God, many people are deprived of communion and even excluded from the community. Laws and customs are created to exclude and marginalize certain categories of people. As we read John 8:1-11, it is good to consider the text as it were a mirror reflecting our own likeness. As we read, let us try to note well the attitudes, words and action of those who appear in the story: the Scribes, the Pharisees, the woman. Jesus and the people. *Who am I in this story?*

Today's Mass Responses:
Psalm: *What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*
Gospel Acclamation
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Now, now - it is the Lord who speaks - come back to me with all your heart,
for I am all tenderness and compassion.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

PARISH NEWS

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

John Ash, Ronnie Gorman, Sandy Rankin, Paddy McCafferty, Pat Coyne, Susan Stevenson, May Lannan, Margaret Thomson, Pat Condon, Theresa Murphy, Marie Boyle, Isabelle Doig, Alvaro Gagliardi, Joan McBride, Franki Murray, James McElhinney, Joe McBride, Mary McManus

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 Thursday evening

Mass	Gift Aid	Non Gift Aid	Total
St Peter in chains (5.00pm)			
St Peter in chains (9.30am)			
Ss John & Columba (11.00am)			
Building Fund (R)			

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.

A special welcome to Fr James (Jamie) Boyle, Parish Priest of St Francis Xavier's Falkirk, St Anthony's Rumford and St Mary of the Angel's Camelon who is celebrating the Masses this weekend. Fr James will be known to many of you, as he is 'a son of the parish' coming from Rosyth.

60's Night Social: Fri 22nd April from 7.30pm-11pm in St Peter's Hall. Music by D M Sounds. Tickets on sale after Mass. £5 each BYOB

Holy Week: hopefully you will already have received the list of times and locations for our Holy Week liturgies. The are provided below in case you don't have them:

Tuesday of Holy Week (22nd March)

10.00am Mass in Rosyth

7.00pm Chrism Mass in St Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral, Edinburgh

Wednesday of Holy Week (23rd March)

7.00pm Ecumenical Stations of the Cross in Ss John & Columba's, Rosyth

(On this evening, we will play host to our brothers and sisters from the Church of Scotland, Scottish Episcopal Church, Methodist Church, and Baptist Church. Tea and Coffee will be served afterwards, so perhaps if we could have some home baking please?)

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

(24th March - Holy Thursday)

7.30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper in St Peter in chains, Inverkeithing

After Mass, the faithful are encouraged to continue adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and prayer at the Altar of Repose during the night until

11.00 pm Night Prayer

Good Friday (25th March) [Day of Fasting & Abstinence]

10.00 am Morning Prayer of the Church in St Peter in chains, Inverkeithing.

2.00pm Confessions in Ss John & Columba's

3.00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion in Ss John & Columba's, Rosyth

7.00 pm Stations of the Cross in St Peter in chains, Inverkeithing

Holy Saturday (26th March)

10.00am Morning Prayer of the Church in Ss John & Columba's, Rosyth

7.00 pm THE RESURECTION OF THE LORD AT THE EASTER VIGIL
in St Peter in chains, Inverkeithing, *followed by cheese & wine in hall*

Easter Sunday (27th March)

9.30 am Mass in St Peter in chains, Inverkeithing

11.00 am Mass in Ss John & Columba's, Rosyth

If I could please ask for some volunteers to organise the teas & coffees after the Wednesday evening service in Rosyth and volunteers to organise the cheese and wine for after the Easter Vigil please, I would be very grateful.

Fr Kevin returns late this Sunday from pilgrimage in the Holy Land, normal timetable resumes on Tuesday of this coming week.