TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

| Saturday (th Eahman) | (I) 4.15pm Confessions | | |
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| Saturday 6th February | • | | |
| Vigil of the 5th Sunday of the Year (C) | (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Bishop Ian Murray RIP) | | |
| Sunday 7th February | (I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Jean King RIP) | | |
| 5th Sunday of the Year (C) | (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Pro Populo) | | |
| Monday 8th February | (I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Archie Barrie RIP) | | |
| Feria | (I) 11.00am Funeral Service of John Murray RIP | | |
| Tuesday 9th February | (R) 6.30pm Confessions | | |
| Feria | (R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (George Wade RIP) | | |
| Wednesday 10th February | (I) 10.00am Mass & Distribution of Ashes | | |
| Ash Wednesday | (Margaret O'Neill RIP) | | |
| (Day of Fasting and Abstinence) | (R) 7.00pm Mass & Distribution of Ashes | | |
| | (Mgr Michael Regan RIP) | | |
| Thursday 11th February | (I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Deceased of Morgan Family) | | |
| Thursday after Ash Wednesday | | | |
| Friday 12th February | (R) 07.30am Holy Mass (Alexandra Booth RIP) | | |
| Friday after Ash Wednesday | | | |
| Saturday 13th February | (R) 10.00am Holy Mass (Agnes Ash RIP) | | |
| Saturday after Ash Wednesday | (R) 10.30am Confessions | | |
| | (I) 4.15pm Confessions | | |
| Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Lent (C) | (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Fr Daniel Boyd RIP) | | |
| Sunday 14th February | (I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Pro Populo) | | |
| 1st Sunday of Lent (C) | (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Christine Mulligan) | | |
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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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ST PETER IN CHAINS INVERKEITHING

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C) 6th/7th Febraury 2016

PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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Today's Gospel passage, full of great theological intensity, comes at the centre of a journey of faith and of meeting with the Lord Jesus, who leads us from deafness to being able to hear, from the most paralysing sickness to the saving healing that makes us capable of helping our brothers and sisters to be reborn with us. Jesus has begun his preaching in the synagogue of Nazareth, giving sense and light to the words in the scroll of the Torah (4: 16 ss.). He has defeated sin (4: 31-37) and sickness (4: 38-41), driving them away from the heart of human beings and he has announced the mysterious force that sent him to us and by which he moves, running like a giant who reaches every corner of the earth. It is a this point that we hear the answer that is the beginning of what follows, that is, the obedience of faith. It is at this point that the Church and a new people are born, those able to hear and respond with a yes.

Do you respond daily to the Lord, with a yes, confidante in His presence and ministry in your life?

Today's Mass Responses:

Psalm: Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (2nd option)

Follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you into fishers of men.

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, Christine Milligan, Joe McBride, Mary McManus

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Delia Robinson RIP;

Desmond McAllister RIP;

John Murray RIP

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</u> evening

| Mass | Gift Aid | Non Gift Aid | Total |
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| St Peter in chains (5.00pm) | £163.00 | £81.95 | £244.95 |
| St Peter in chains (9.30am) | £87.50 | £56.00 | £143.50 |
| Ss John & Columba (11.00am) | £44.00 | £93.70 | £137.70 |
| Building Fund (R) | £33.50 | £75.10 | £108.60 |

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.

Parish Registration 2016: please complete and return your form to the box provided at the back of the church or to Fr Kevin. This information is solely for the use of the Parish Priest, and will not be used or given out to any third party. Thankyou to those who have already completed and returned their forms.

Old Palm Crosses: please return your old palm crosses next weekend for burning and the making of the ashes that will then be used for distribution on Ash Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday and the start of the holy season of lent falls on Wednesday of this coming week (10th February). Please note this is a day of fasting and abstinence. What can we do as individuals and as parish communities to make this lent a special time of prayer and penance? Mass times and distribution of A shes are on back page.

Stations of the Cross during lent: when are they normally held? Are the held? Who leads them? Please advise Fr Kevin, as there is no point in him organsing and advertising them and no one bothers to turn up!

Short-term pledge for Lent: as in previous years, the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart are offering the opportunity for us to take a short term pledge during lent. Prayer leaflets are available at the back of the Church, there is also a poster for further information.

Lenten Station Mass: will be held on Wednesday 16th March at 7pm in St Agatha's Church, Methill. During this Mass the Archbishop will present the Creed to those candidates and catechumens who wish to enter into Communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil.

Cluster Meeting with the Archbishop: As you probably know, the Archbishop is currently touring the Archdiocese meeting parishioners in their proposed new cluster

future of the Archdiocese and to consult with the faithful. Here in our two parishes, our proposed cluster is with St Margaret's, Our Lady of Lourdes, Holy Name, Ss John & Columba's and St Peter in chains and the Archbishop will be coming to meet you, the parishioners of these parishes, on Tuesday 1st March at 7pm in St Columba's High School. The meeting will last about an hour and a half and will be an important moment for us as a parish community. Please put the date in your diaries and please try to come along.

groups – in order to explain his vision for the

Used towels for Mary's Meals Backpacks: Veronica is looking for towels to place in the backpacks being sent away to those less fortunate than ourselves. Please leave at the back of the church for collection or pass on to Veronica Hawkings.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, from the 8th to the 15th of July under the leadership of Archbishop Leo, application forms can be obtained from Fr Kevin or Dr Ken.

Holy Year of Mercy pilgrimage

Archbishop Cushley invites the faithful of the

Archdiocese to join him on pilgrimage to Rome to for the Holy Year of Mercy (16 – 23 November 2016). Pilgrims will have an opportunity to go through the Holy Door at St Peter's Basilica and to be with Pope Francis as it is solemnly closed on 20 November, the Solemnity of Christ the King. The cost of the pilgrimage

will be around £620, plus flight. This is based on sharing a room, half board and includes two full day trips and a half day trip with airport coach transfers. A single room supplement is also available. Contact Alba Tours on 01698 262941

or <u>annemariecairns@yahoo.co.uk</u> to book or for more information. More details about the itinerary will be available from Alba Tours and posted on the Archdiocesan website and social media.