# TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 28th May	(I) 4.15pm Confessions		
Vigil of Corpus Christi	(I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Canon Edward Glackin RIP)		
Sunday 29th May	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Pro Populo)		
Solemnity of the Body & Blood of Christ (C)	(R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Fred Smart RIP)		
Monday 30th May in the 9th Week of the Year			
Tuesday 31st May	(R) 6.30pm Confessions		
Feast of the Visitation of the BVM	(R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (Nuala Nolan RIP)		
Wednesday 1st June Memorial of St Justin	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Fr Joseph McMahon RIP)		
Thursday 2nd June Memorial of St Marcellinus & Peter	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Canon Jim Foley RIP)		
Friday 3rd June Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	(R) 7.30am Holy Mass (Private Intention)		
Saturday 4th June	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (Fr Tom Hurley RIP)		
Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary	(R) 10.30am Confessions		
	(I) 4.15pm Confessions		
Vigil of Corpus Christi	(I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Fr Peter Lennon RIP)		
Sunday 5th June	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Pro Populo)		
Tenth Sunday of the Year (C)	(R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Christine Milligan 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. Amen

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# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF Ss JOHN & COLUMBA ROSYTH AND



# ST PETER IN CHAINS INVERKEITHING

# SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (C) 29th May 2016

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# We celebrate today the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ — Corpus

Christi. As Catholics we have celebrated this since the 13th Century. On Holy Thursday we celebrated the Last Supper, but the Church, feeling that the proximity of Easter might lessen that, instituted this Solemnity to occur right after the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, which we commemorated last Sunday. As stewards of the Church it is vital that we understand our Catholic traditions and

practices and are able to explain them. The emphasis on this Feast Day is Holy Communion, the Eucharist. At Communion we receive the True Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. We are a gifted people, and this is an incredible gift to us. On this day especially we are called to focus on this gift. In Communion we receive gifts that affect us both physically and spiritually. From a spiritual perspective we are united with Christ.

Communion should increase our love of God and of our neighbour. This is lived out in the action of truly living a Christian life, and bringing others to the Joys of knowing Christ as their Saviour.

# **Today's Mass Responses:**

**Psalm:** You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord.

Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.

# 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, Helen O'Neill, Karine Scott, Christopher Hawkings

# 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</u> evening

Mass	Gift Aid	Non Gift Aid	Total
St Peter in chains (5.00pm)	£136.00	£130.05	£266.05
St Peter in chains (9.30am)	£114.10	£69.05	£183.15
Ss John & Columba (11.00am)	£75.00	£73.00	£148.00
Rosyth Building Fund:	£32.00	£59.00	£91.00

# 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.

Please pray for our 9 young children from the parishes who will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time during the 11am Mass this Sunday. May they grow in their awareness and love for Jesus truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

### The proper reception of Holy Communion:

While all people are welcome at the Mass, only Catholics may receive Holy Communion. Receiving Holy Communion signifies oneness of faith, which unfortunately we do not completely possess with our brothers and sisters in Christ of other Christian traditions or with

good people of other faiths. We must continue to pray for the day when religious beliefs will no longer divide us—for that day when we will all be one in Christ Jesus.

A Catholic who intends to receive communion should <u>fast one hour</u> before communion from all food and drink with the exception of water and medication.

One should examine one's conscience before Mass. Anyone in the state of mortal sin must receive the sacrament of reconciliation before receiving Holy Communion. On the other hand, one should not allow one's venial sins to prevent one from receiving communion. Holy communion "wipes away venial sins" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* [CCC] par. no. 1394).

Divorced Catholics who are not remarried and are otherwise in the state of grace may receive communion. Catholics who were divorced, had their marriage annulled, and are remarried in the Church may receive communion. Catholics who are married only once yet married outside the Church should not receive communion until they have had their marriage validated by the Church.

Mass Intentions: Fr Kevin currently has no Mass intentions from the parish to offer. If you would like to have Mass celebrated for an anniversary, special intention etc, please complete one of the envelopes provided at the back of the churches for this purpose and hand into Fr Kevin.

A gentle reminder to those who proclaim the Word of God at Mass: please do not make up any statements during the liturgy—ie, "The second reading" or "The response to the psalm is.." or "Please stand for the ..."

Readers, please just read!

Feast of St Columba: Thursday 9th June, we will celebrate this wonderful occasion with Mass at 7pm and drinks and snacks afterwards.

Parish Coffee Morning: Saturday 25th June in St Peter's Hall, Inverkeithing from 10am—12noon. Donations are most welcome for Bottle Stall please. £2 per ticket, on sale after all Masses.

**Ladies Group Outing:** leaving at 10.30am on Wednesday 1st June. Please meet at 10.15am outside the Church. (Start your outing with Mass...it will be a quick one!)

St John's Primary School Summer Fair: Saturday 11th June from 11am - 1pm. There will be various stalls and activities on the day. Please support our local school raise much needed funds to provide extras, such as outings etc for our younger parishioners.

# St Margaret's Summer Pilgrimage 2016:

The annual summer pilgrimage in honour of St Margaret of Scotland will take place on Sunday 12th June in Dunfermline. From 10am pilgrims can explore the many historic sites associated with our national patroness. Pilgrim guides will be on hand. At 3pm a grand procession of St Margaret's relics will make its way through the town concluding with Holy Mass at 4pm in St Margaret's Memorial Church celebrated by the Archbishop. All are very welcome. It should be a great family day out! For more information contact the Parish Priest, Father Heenan at st.margaretdunfermline@gmail.com