TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 26th March Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord	(I) 7.00pm Holy Mass (Pro Populo) Followed by cheese & wine in Hall		
Sunday 27th March	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Fr Joe McShane RIP)		
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection	(R) 11.00am Holy Mass (Jack McKenan RIP)		
Monday 28th March Monday within Octave of Easter	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Donors Intention)		
Tuesday 29th March	(R) 6.30pm Confessions		
Tuesday within Octave of Easter	(R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (Donors Intention)		
Wednesday 30th March Wednesday within Octave of Easter			
Thursday 31st March Thursday within Octave of Easter	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (Donors Intention)		
Friday 1st April Friday within Octave of Easter	(R) 07.30am Holy Mass (Canon Denis Quinlan RIP)		
Saturday 2nd April	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (Anne Fitzsimmons RIP)		
Saturday within Octave of Easter	(R) 10.30am Confessions		
	(I) 4.15pm Confessions		
Vigil of Second Sunday of Easter	(I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (Peter Carberry RIP)		
Sunday 3rd April	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (Pro Populo)		
Second Sunday of Easter (C) (Divine Mercy)	(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

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD 26th/27th March 2016

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For John, the Evangelist, the resurrection of Jesus is the decisive moment in the process of his glorification, indissolubly linked with the first phase of this glorification, namely his passion and death.

The event of the resurrection is not described in the spectacular and apocalyptic details of the synoptic Gospels. For John, the life of the Risen One is a reality that asserts itself silently, in the discreet and irresistible power of the Spirit.

The fact of the faith of the disciples is announced, "While it was still dark" and begins through the vision of the material signs that recall the Word of God. Jesus is the great protagonist of the story, but he does not appear personally.

We should say this prayer, thanking the Lord for what he has done for us: Lord Jesus Christ, today your light shines in us, source of life and joy. Send the Spirit of love and truth, so that, like Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, we too may discover and interpret in the light of the Word, the signs of your divine presence in our world. May we welcome these signs in faith that we may always live in the joy of your presence among us, even when all seems to be shrouded in the darkness of sadness and evil. Amen Happy Easter!

Today's Mass Responses:

Psalm: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed: let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

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

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Joe Reddy RIP (Bonnybridge)

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)	£148.00	£89.65	£237.65
St Peter in chains (9.30am)	£78.50	£70.92	£149.42
Ss John & Columba (11.00am)			
Papal & Episcopal Charities			

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.

We thank Fr Daren J. Zehnle, a priest of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, who has spent Holy Week with us in the parishes, for his help and friendship. May the Lord bless him during his remaining time in Rome and in his future ministries back in America.

Holy Week many thanks to all who helped in the preparations for the various liturgies during the course of the week. There are many and varied things to do at this time of year, and having the assistance of parishioners makes all the difference—thankyou!

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

The next Ladies Group meeting will be in the hall at 7.30pm on Wed 6th April, with a talk on ornithology. New members always welcome.

Mass Intentions: If you wish a Mass offered for a particular intention, please complete one of the envelopes available at the back of the church with the required details, place your donation inside and pass to Fr Kevin.

DIVINE MERCY -

On February 22nd 1931, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, appeared to a simple Polish nun, Sister Faustina, bringing with Him a wonderful message of Mercy for all mankind. Jesus told her to paint the famous image of Divine Mercy which you can see in our church. Jesus told her, "The pale ray



stands for the Water which makes souls

righteous; the red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the depths of My most tender Mercy at that time when My agonizing Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross."

Devotion to the Divine Mercy has spread throughout the world. Saint Pope John Paul II instituted the Feast day of Divine Mercy on the 1st Sunday after Easter and canonized Saint Maria Faustina in 2000. Saint John Paul II died on the Vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday.

As part of our Parish commitment to celebrating the Year of Mercy, we are going to make a Novena to the Divine Mercy; starting on Good Friday and culminating on Divine Mercy Sunday, 3rd April. You are invited to join us, if and when you can, or you can say it privately at home.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads.

Begin the Chaplet with the Our Father, Hail Mary & the Apostles Creed.

On Sunday 3rd April, we will have a holy hour of Mercy starting at 3pm

New Offertory Envelopes The new weekly offertory envelopes for 2016-17 are now available.

If you don't yet GIFT AID and you pay tax, please consider GIFT AID for 2016 as it benefits your Parish.

If you are a taxpayer the Parish can claim back 25% of your weekly offertory contributions, which really helps towards the running costs of the church.

If you are interested in Gift Aid please contact Graham O'Connor, the parish Gift Aid organiser for Rosyth or in Inverkeithing Moira McVay for further details.

Many thanks to all who currently help the Parish with their Gift Aided donations.