

LITURGICAL TIMETABLE FOR COMING WEEK

Saturday 5th May <i>Vigil of Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	4.15pm 5.00pm	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> St Peter in Chains	<i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	<i>John & Agnes Auld RIP</i>
Sunday 6th May <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	9.30am 11.00am	St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>Pro Populo</i> <i>Fr Charlie Carr RIP</i>
Monday 7th May <i>6th Week of Eastertide</i>				
Tuesday 8th May <i>6th Week of Eastertide</i>	6.00pm 6.15pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	<i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> Ss John & Columba's	<i>Exposition</i> <i>Vespers</i> <i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	<i>Llewellyn Lloyd RIP</i>
Wednesday 9th May <i>6th Week of Eastertide</i>	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	<i>Eddie Cannon's Intention</i>
Thursday 10th May <i>Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord</i> (Holy Day of Obligation)	10.00am 7.00pm	Ss John & Columba's St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>Canon Bagan RIP</i> <i>Douglas Lamond's Intentions</i>
Friday 11th May <i>6th Week of Eastertide</i>	10.00am	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	<i>Ann Donaldson's Intentions</i>
Saturday 12th May <i>6th Week of Eastertide</i> <i>Vigil of 7th Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00am 10.30am 4.15pm 5.00pm	<i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i> St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass <i>Confessions</i> <i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	<i>Marie Styan's Intentions</i> <i>Charles & Maria Keane RIP</i>
Sunday 13th May <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	9.30am 11.00am	St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>Mary Curristan RIP</i> <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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B/II)
6th May 2018

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"I have called you friends." Authentic friendship can seem hard to come by these days, especially in our transient society. We move away from family, change jobs, switch parishes, and end up in entirely new places with entirely new people. When we look for new friends, we all have different qualities we're looking for. While we may think of certain standards of behaviour necessary to be a "good" friend, we would hardly refer to them as rules or "commandments." In fact, if a friendship or romantic relationship-new or old-becomes characterized by imposed obligations, we would rightly be suspicious. Friendships, we understand, ought to be characterized by freedom. We love the person, even sacrifice for them at times because, within ourselves, we want to maintain the friendship. So why does Jesus use the language of command as he calls the Apostles his friends? "You are my friends if you do what I command you."

Response to the Psalm:

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

Very Rev John Canon McAllister, Margaret Carberry, Janet Agnew, James Morris, John Ash, Paddy McCafferty, Susan Stevenson, May Lannan, Theresa Murphy, Jenny Campbell, Marie Boyle, Isabelle Doig, Joan McBride, Joe McBride, Marie Cushley, Violet Merrilees, Anna Bonnar, Rose Toher, Michael McElhinney, Jennifer Imrie, *James Kelly, Colin Flett, Margaret Stewart*

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Parish Safeguarding Officers

Lisa Quinn (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 Gowans 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 (*emergency cover is provided by the various priests in Fife*) 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 Thursday evening

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Stand Orders	Total
St Peter in Chains	£227.00	£229.30	£121.00	£577.30
Ss John & Columba's	£62.00	£108.50	£372.00	£542.50
<i>Building Fund (Rosyth)</i>	<i>£56.00</i>	<i>£60.50</i>		£116.50

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.

Holy Day of Obligation: this coming Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Masses are at 10am in Rosyth (with Primary School participating) and at 7pm in Inverkeithing.

First Holy Communions: will be held in Ss John & Columba's on Sunday 3rd June at 11am.

A parent's meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th May following on from the 7pm Mass in Ss John & Columba's Church.

Rosary on the Coast: many thanks to the parishioners who assisted with the transportation from St Peter's to the Light Tower and back, also to all who handed in home baking and served the teas etc. Although a disappointing number of parishioners made the effort to attend (despite it being in the newsletter for about 3 months!), God gave us a nice sunny day and the number of visitors from other parishes quadrupled our numbers....

Nicola Murray Foundation Coffee

Morning: the organisers would like to thank all who came along on the day and helped raise the amazing sum of £2105.43

NHS Fife 70 Years: a service of thanksgiving is being held on Sunday 13th May at 3.30pm in the Abbey Church, Dunfermline to which all are invited to attend, particularly if you have been associated with the NHS.

Lourdes petitions/prayer requests: Fr Kevin will be on pilgrimage to Lourdes with the 60th International Military Pilgrimage from the 17th May. If you have any prayer intentions/requests you wish him to make on your behalf, please write them down and pass on to him before the 16th May.

SCIAF 6k Family Fun Run: The Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund have asked that I alert you to their 6k Family Fun Run to take place Saturday 2 June 2018 at Strathclyde Country Park, Lanarkshire. The day begins at 10am with music, stalls and games aplenty. The run starts at 11am. Entry is adults £10 / children £5. The entry fee will go towards SCIAF's work helping people in poverty across 27 countries. Sign up at www.sciaf.org.uk/sciaf-6k-fun-run or call Teresa McGoldrick on 0141 354 5555.

Lourdes by air from Edinburgh Airport, 5 days departing 12th September 2018, full board 3* Hotel, £550 per person sharing, *call Northern Star Travel on 0161 773 2115 for further details.*

Blairs Museum: Alison Burke, the Curator of the Museum of Scottish Catholic Heritage at Blairs in Aberdeenshire, is available to give talks to parishes about the Blairs Collection. Similarly, she is also very happy to host visiting parish groups at Blairs. If you are interested, do contact her on alison.burke@blairsmuseum.org.uk or 01224 863 767.

Would there be any interest from our parish to have a day trip up to Blairs? Speak to Fr Kevin if there is.... (2 people have expressed an interest so far.)

Stewardship Reflection:

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" – JOHN 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?