LITURGICAL TIMETABLE FOR COMING WEEK

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Saturday 22nd Dec Vigil of 4th Sunday of Advent	4.15pm 5.00pm	St Peter in Chains St Peter in Chains	Confessions Holy Mass	James Jordan RIP
Sunday 23rd December Fourth Sunday of Advent (C)	9.30am 11.30am 4.00pm 4.30pm 5.00pm	Ss John & Columba's Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass Holy Mass Exposition Vespers Holy Mass	Pro Populo G. Bradley RIP R Buchanan's Int
Monday 24th December Vigil Mass of Christmas	5.00pm 8.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass Holy Mass	Pro Populo J&B Ewing RIP
Tuesday 25th December Mass of Christmas Day	10.00am	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Holy Souls
Wednesday 26th Dec Feast of St Stephen	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	NO MASS	
Thursday 27th Dec Feast of St John	7.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Brian Carr RIP
Friday 28th December Feast of the Holy Innocents	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Therese & Eric Allcock RIP
Saturday 29th December Vigil of the Holy Family	4.15pm 5.00pm	St Peter in Chains St Peter in Chains	Confessions Holy Mass	Florence Walker RIP
Sunday 30th December Solemnity of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	9.30am 11.30am 4.00pm 4.30pm 5.00pm	Ss John & Columba's Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass Holy Mass Exposition Vespers Holy Mass	Grace Devine RIP Peter Lofthouse RIP Pro Populo



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 PARISH OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C/1)

23rd December 2018

PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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The fact of Christ's Incarnation and Nativity means that the eyes of God do not look at us from an unimaginably distant and remote future. In the Incarnate Christ, we are seen by the eyes of God in the present moment, in the very heart and core of the present moment.

He gave himself to enter into our human condition there and then, at a specific time in human history and in a specific place. That moment in time is perpetuated for all time, and that place is a universal kingdom so that He gives of Himself still in the here and now. In this here and now: let us, each one of us, make the most of this season of hope by preparing ourselves not only for the great Christmas Solemnity ahead of us, but also for the eternal world that is to come. Take time to consider not merely the joy of that birth in Bethlehem, but also the Good Friday to come, the Easter that follows.

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed Christmas and a year full of grace in 2019

Fr Kevin

Response to the Psalm:

Lord of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia!

I am the handmaid of the Lord: let what you have said be done to me.

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

Canon McAllister, Maureen McLeod, James Morris, Elaine McCormick, Sandra Graham, Ester Wren, Daniel Cornet, Margaret Burns, Catherine Kane, Madge & David Speed, Mairead McKenzie, Ann-Marie Bevan, Patricia Phee, Pat Busby, Angie Kempson, Marjory Curie, Margaret Barratt, Margaret Lynch, Theresa Murphy, Elizabeth McVay, Vhairi Harding, Sandy Moffat, Veronica Fogherty, David and Lynnis Dean

Our Lady, Mother of the sick—pray for them

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Gerald McMahon RIP (Rosyth)

Parish Safeguarding Officers

Maureen Ritchie & Patricia Watt (PiC); Lisa Quinn (J&C); Jane Imrie & Margaret Hall (OLoL)

Baptisms & Marriages

Arrangements for weddings (for which six months notice is required) and Baptisms should be made by appointment with one of the clergy.

Sacrament of the Sick / Hospital Visitations

Those who require the Sacrament of the Sick at home should contact the Parish Office 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 the Parish Office 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 (for St Peter's Hall) Mrs Pat Reid on 417214 or Mary Irvine at the Parish Office (for Our Lady of Lourdes Hall) for availability.

<u>Church</u>	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Stand Orders	<u>Total</u>
St Peter in Chains	£183.50	£197.25	£121.00	£501.75
Ss John & Columba's	£46.00	£104.80	£372.00	£522.80
Our Lady of Lourdes	£390.00	£312.43	£29.75	£732.10

Thank you for your generosity

NEWS & EVENTS

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.—welcome!

Christmas Crib Fund: as is tradition, a donation box is placed in each of the cribs in the churches, and again this will take place this year. The monies raised through these donations will be used by Caritas Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh for assistance with children who suffer through poverty.

Mother's Prayers: The next meeting will be on 9th January 2019 at SPiC church after Mass, parishioners from all churches welcome.

OLOL Women's Group: The next meeting is on the 17th January 2019 at OLOL parish hall all welcome. The Women's Group were pleased to be able to donate £50 to Crisis and £50 to Shelter from their fundraising efforts after a very successful first year.

Ss J&C/St PiC 200 Club: Congratulations to the following winners—Pat Castle, Richard Steinbach & Anne McGowan.

OLOL 200 Club Winners:

Oct: Olive Patterson, Ann Marie Hepburn, Nov: Graeme Wordie, Moira Newton; Dec: Paula Philp, Claire Potter, all of whom won £25.00. £100 bonus was won by Margaret Hall. Thank you for your support during the year.

The Archdiocesan Directory for 2019 is now available for purchase at the back of our churches. Priced at £2.50, it contains all the Mass times, etc for the whole diocese.

St John's Primary School: P1 Enrolments for August 2019 will take place on Wednesday 16th January from 1.30pm-4.30pm. *For more info, please contact the school office on 602432*

Holy Innocents Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Cushley on 28 December, 12 noon at the Gillis Centre, Edinburgh. *All welcome. Free parking*

Day for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion There will be a day of study and reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on 23 February 2019 at the Gillis Centre, Edinburgh. Registration 11am followed by a talk plus Q&A with Father John Deighan. The day concludes with a Holy Hour and Confessions ending at 3:30pm. To book a please contact Anne Lamond: catecheticscommissionbooking@gmail.com

Pilgrimages: Fatima for the Feast of the Annunciation by air. 24 – 28 March 2019. Half Board. ONLY £349.00 (Twin / Double) Lourdes Special offer departing Easter Sunday by air 21 – 25 April. Full Board. ONLY £499.00 (Twin / Double)

For more information, please contact Leisure Time Travel on 0151 287 8000

Christmas Thoughts It's sharing your gifts, not purchasing gifts; It's not wrapping presents, its being present and wrapping your arms around the ones you love; It's not getting Christmas cards out on time, It's sending any card, anytime, at the right time; It's not having the biggest and best Christmas light display, It's displaying the Christ light that comes from your heart; It's not Santa coming down the chimney, It's Jesus coming down from heaven, and giving us the gift of eternal life. *Anonymous*

Stewardship Reflection: "For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy." (Luke 1:44) When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading each Sunday, do you "leap for joy?" If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. Do you prepare for Mass each week or do you just show up and expect to be entertained? We are called to be active participants, not passive by-standers.