LITURGICAL TIMETABLE FOR COMING WEEK

Saturday 11th January Vigil of the Baptism	4.15pm 5.00pm	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> St Peter in Chains	Confessions Holy Mass	Pro Populo	
Sunday 12th January Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	9.30am	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Canon James Friel RIP	
	11.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Caroline Nwaogu RIP	
	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	<i>Exposition</i> Holy Mass	Fr Colm Morris RIP	
Monday 13th January Feast of St Kentigern	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Caroline Nwaogu RIP	
Tuesday 14th January <i>1st Week of the Year</i>	6.00pm 6.15pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	Ss John & Columba's Ss John & Columba's Ss John & Columba's Ss John & Columba's	Exposition Vespers Confessions Holy Mass	Margaret Waters' Intentions	
Wednesday 15th January 1st Week of the Year	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Margaret Connelly RIP	
Thursday 16th January <i>1st Week of the Year</i>	6.00pm 6.15pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes	Exposition Vespers Confessions Holy Mass	Michael Walsh RIP	
Friday 17th January Feast of St Anthony	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Caroline Nwaogu RIP	
Saturday 18th January Vigil of the 2nd Sunday of the Year	4.15pm 5.00pm	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> St Peter in Chains	Confessions Holy Mass	Francis Larkin RIP	
Sunday 19th January Second Sunday of the Year	9.30am	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Keith Butler RIP	
	11.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Fr O'Keefe RIP	
	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	<i>Exposition</i> Holy Mass	Canon Friel 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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FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (A/2) 12th January 2020

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In the tradition of the Eastern churches, the Baptism of Jesus is the most important liturgical feast of the Christmas cycle. On 6 January they celebrate together the baptism, birth, visit of the Magi, the wedding feast of Cana, as one fact. Rather than the historical development of the life of Jesus, they stress His theological-saving relevance. They do not dwell on the sentimental aspect, but on the historical manifestation of God and His acknowledgement as Lord.

St Cyril of Jerusalem says that Jesus gives the waters of baptism "the colour of His divinity" (III mystagogic catechesis, 1).

St Gregory Nazianzen writes that the creation of this world and the creation of the spiritual world, once foes, reunite in friendship, and we humans, united in one choir with the angels, partake of their praises (PG 46,599).

The descent into the waters corresponds to the descent into the bowels of the earth symbolized by the birth in a cave. The destructive waters become waters of salvation for the just.

<u>Response to the Psalm:</u>

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded: ' This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

Canon McAllister, Fr Joe Millar, Maureen McLeod, James Morris, Elaine McCormick, Sandra Graham, Ester Wren, Daniel Cornet, Mona Linton, Madge Speed, Ann-Marie Bevan, Patricia Phee, Angie Kempson, Margaret Barratt, Margaret Lynch, Theresa Murphy, Edith Bryant, Elizabeth McVay, Veronica Fogherty, David and Lynnis Dean, Colin Reid, Teresa Lafferty, Martin Lacey, Sandra Christie, Eleanor Haggett, Bonnie Gauson, Susan Stevenson and Jennifer Imrie *Our Lady, Mother of the sick—pray for them*

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Parish Safeguarding Coordinators

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.

Bulletin Notices

All notices should be with the Parish Office by <u>Thursday morning</u> for inclusion in the weekend bulletin.

Church	<u>Gift Aid</u>	Loose monies	Stand Orders	<u>Total</u>
St Peter in Chains	£92.00	£237.88	£121.00	£450.88
Ss John & Columba's	£61.00	£131.80	£372.00	£564.80
Our Lady of Lourdes	£579.15	£1195.45	£34.75	£1809.35

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*!

Mass Intentions: after this coming week, we will have no requests on our books for the offering of Mass intentions in our parish.....

A day for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion takes place on Saturday

8th February, 11am-2:30pm at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. Father Jeremy Milne will be the main speaker and there will be a practical reflection followed by a Q&A session. The day concludes with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and Confessions. Register on Eventbrite or on the Archdiocesan Facebook page. Alternatively, call 0131 623 8900.

Mother's Prayers Our next meeting is on Tuesday 14th January after Mass, at Olol hall, all welcome.

Bible Study prayer group: Our next meeting is on Friday 17th January starting with coffee at 7:15pm at OLOL hall and moving on to OLOL church at 7:30pm for the Bible Study. *All welcome*.

Bioethics Day: What's the Catholic view of assisted suicide and how crucial is palliative care in resisting the culture of death? Dr David Jones, Director of Anscombe Bioethics Centre, Oxford, will discuss the major issues surrounding assisted suicide at a Bioethics Day event at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, on Saturday 25th January, 11am-2:30pm. He will be joined by Evelyn Howie, a retired Senior Palliative Care Nurse, who will reveal the impact of palliative care in combating the culture of death. To register, search 'Bioethics Day' on Eventbrite or visit the events section of the Archdiocesan Facebook Page. Alternatively, call 0131 623 8900.

Modern Slavery event: An Anti-Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery Training event takes place at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, on Wednesday 5th February, 7-9pm. It features Alister Bull from the Global Anti-trafficking charity Hope for Justice. The evening will help participants identify signs of trafficking and exploitation and respond appropriately to help victims. Exploitation is happening in the Archdiocese and across Scotland and this is an excellent event to help people take practical steps to tackle it. Register for free on Eventbrite, the Archdiocesan Facebook, or by calling 0131 623 8900.

Gender mini-symposium: The Marriage & Family Commission has organised a mini-symposium on the issue of gender, entitled "Male and Female He Created Them." It will take place in the evening on Friday 28th February at Our Lady & St Ninian's, Bannockburn, and in the afternoon on Saturday 29th February at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. The speakers are Dr Adrian Treloar of the Catholic Medical Association and Sr Andrea Fraile of the Sisters of the Gospel of Life. *Booking details to follow*.

Stewardship Reflection: And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." (Matthew 3:17)

Two thoughts come to mind when reading this. First, God, Our Father, is so generous, that he gave his only son, whom he really loves, to us so that we can have eternal life with him in heaven. God, Our Creator, really loves us, too! Second, Jesus was obedient to his Father's will, even to the point of death. This is a reminder that our own lives are pure gifts from God and meant to serve God and others.