

## LITURGICAL TIMETABLE FOR COMING WEEK

<b>Saturday 4th January</b> <i>Vigil of the Epiphany</i>	<i>4.15pm</i> <b>5.00pm</b>	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> <b>St Peter in Chains</b>	<i>Confessions</i> <b>Holy Mass</b>	<i>Francesca Burke RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 5th January</b> <i>Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord</i>	<b>9.30am</b> <b>11.30am</b> <i>4.00pm</i> <b>5.00pm</b>	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b> <b>Holy Mass</b> <i>Exposition</i> <b>Holy Mass</b>	<b>Pro Populo</b> <i>Donors Intention</i> <i>Mario Biondini RIP</i>
<b>Monday 6th January</b> <i>Weekday of Christmastide</i>	<b>10.00am</b> <b>10.00am</b>	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> <b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b> <b>Funeral</b>	<i>Margaret Carberry RIP</i> <i>Jenny Dunlop RIP</i>
<b>Tuesday 7th January</b> <i>Weekday of Christmastide</i>	<b>10.00am</b> <i>6.00pm</i> <i>6.15pm</i> <i>6.30pm</i> <b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <b>Ss John &amp; Columba's</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b> <i>Exposition</i> <i>Vespers</i> <i>Confessions</i> <b>Holy Mass</b>	<i>Maureen Scullion RIP</i> <b>Maureen Scullion RIP</b>
<b>Wednesday 8th January</b> <i>Weekday of Christmastide</i>	<b>10.00am</b>	<i>St Peter in Chains</i>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	<i>Francis Larkin RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 9th January</b> <i>Weekday of Christmastide</i>	<b>10.00am</b> <i>6.00pm</i> <i>6.15pm</i> <i>6.30pm</i> <b>7.00pm</b>	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b> <i>Exposition</i> <i>Vespers</i> <i>Confessions</i> <b>Holy Mass</b>	<b>Canon James Friel RIP</b> <i>Caroline Nwaogu RIP</i>
<b>Friday 10th January</b> <i>Weekday of Christmastide</i>	<b>10.00am</b>	<i>St Peter in Chains</i>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	<b>James Morris' Int</b>
<b>Saturday 11th January</b> <i>Weekday of Christmastide</i>  <i>Vigil of the Baptism</i>	<b>10.00am</b> <i>10.30am</i>  <i>4.15pm</i> <b>5.00pm</b>	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i>  <i>St Peter in Chains</i> <b>St Peter in Chains</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b> <i>Confessions</i>  <i>Confessions</i> <b>Holy Mass</b>	<b>Helen McLaney RIP</b>  <b>Pro Populo</b>
<b>Sunday 12th January</b> <i>Feast of the Baptism of the Lord</i>	<b>9.30am</b> <b>11.30am</b> <i>4.00pm</i> <b>5.00pm</b>	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b> <b>Holy Mass</b> <i>Exposition</i> <b>Holy Mass</b>	<i>Canon James Friel RIP</i> <i>Caroline Nwaogu RIP</i>  <i>Fr Colm Morris RIP</i>

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THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF  
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

5th January 2020

### PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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The wisdom shown by the wise men is not unlimited. Evidently, they are men of good will, yet they represent the quintessentially modern phenomenon of believing without belonging. Indeed, the wise men bear a striking similarity to those who 'practice their faith at Christmas time', then disappear as quickly as they have appeared. They have been drawn, intrigued, fascinated, but they have not been captivated. Their mysterious and short-lived presence in the Gospel story offers us both a consolation and a challenge. He is not the Lord of the virtuous, the pious, the observant, the practicing, but the Lord of all. It is consoling indeed to reflect that God's providence and love for every human person simply does not admit to being tied down by all-too-human distinctions such as practicing or no-practicing, member or non-member. God is a lover, not a lawyer, and admission to the manger is free. On a more challenging note, the wise men remind us that the departure from the manger is also free, and that having encountered the Lord, we are at liberty to return to a life that is untouched by his presence. It is in fact, the adult Christ that wins our hearts and minds. The Lord invites, but never imposes himself on us.

### Response to the Psalm:

All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**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 Lynn 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 Thursday morning for inclusion in the week-end bulletin.

<u>Church</u>	<u>Gift Aid</u>	<u>Loose monies</u>	<u>Stand Orders</u>	<u>Total</u>
St Peter in Chains			£121.00	
Ss John & Columba’s	£59.00	£199.40	£372.00	<b>£630.40</b>
Our Lady of Lourdes	£406.50	£584.60	£34.75	<b>£1025.85</b>

*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!*

**Epiphany House blessing:** Please collect a piece of blessed chalk and use the following-  
**Blessing & Prayer:**

**All:** All make the sign of the cross

**Leader:** Peace be to this house and to all who dwell here in the name of the Lord.

**All:** Blessed be God forever.

**Read:** John 1:1-14 and then **PRAY** together the Our Father.

*Take the blessed chalk and write the following inscription above the main entrance door: 20+C+M+B+20*

**All:** Lord God of Heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. May we be blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness and the keeping of your law. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our love for each other may go out to all. Father, bless all who gather here. Send your holy angel to defend us and fill with grace all who enter this door. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

**Archdiocesan Directories** are available for sale in each of the churches. Priced £3 they advise all the details of the Churches and Institutions, Mass times etc across the archdiocese.

**OLOL Sunday Teas:** Start again today.

**OLOL Women's Group** - next meeting will be on Thursday 9th January at 7:30 for 7:45pm (after Mass) in OLOL Church Hall. We will be planning for our Burns Supper at end of January. *New members welcome.*

**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.*

**Married couples retreat:** ‘Together before the Lord - A Valentine's Day idea for married couples that goes beyond the usual dinner and movie’. This takes place on Saturday 15th February 2020. The Marriage & Family Commission have invited Fr Bart Parys SVD to come to Edinburgh and lead an afternoon of prayer and reflection for married couples at the Gillis Centre. Fr Bart is currently a regional moderator for Domestic Church circles in Dublin and is an experienced leader of couples retreats. *Booking details will follow shortly.*

**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:** “Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” (Matthew 2:11)

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to us.