

LITURGICAL TIMETABLE FOR COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL ACT	PRESIDER	MASS INTENTION
Sunday 26th April <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00am 5.00pm	Holy Mass <i>Vespers & Benediction</i>	<i>Fr Kevin</i> <i>Fr Kevin</i>	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday 27th April <i>in the 3rd Week of Easter</i>	12.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Mass <i>Evening Prayer</i>	<i>Fr Kevin</i> <i>Deacon Pat</i>	<i>Fr Richard Rodgers RIP</i>
Tuesday 28th April <i>in the 3rd Week of Easter</i>	12.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Mass <i>Evening Prayer</i>	<i>Fr Kevin</i> <i>Deacon Pat</i>	<i>Donor's Intentions</i>
Wed 29th April <i>Feast of St Catherine of Siena</i>	12.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Mass <i>Evening Prayer</i>	<i>Fr Kevin</i> <i>Deacon Pat</i>	<i>Jean Griffin RIP</i>
Thursday 30th April <i>in the 3rd Week of Easter</i>	12.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Mass <i>Evening Prayer</i>	<i>Fr Kevin</i> <i>Deacon Pat</i>	<i>Fr Joe Millar RIP</i>
Friday 1st May <i>Memorial of St Joseph the worker</i>	12.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Mass <i>Evening Prayer</i>	<i>Fr Kevin</i> <i>Deacon Pat</i>	<i>Fr Kevin's Intentions</i>
Saturday 2nd May <i>Feast of St Mark</i>	10.00am	Holy Mass	<i>Fr Kevin</i>	<i>Peter Quinn's 70th Birthday</i>
Sunday 3rd May <i>4th Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)</i>	10.00am 5.00pm	Holy Mass <i>Vespers & Benediction</i>	<i>Fr Kevin</i> <i>Fr Kevin</i>	<i>Pro Populo</i>

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THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

26th April 2020

PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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"Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?" (Luke 24:32)

How often do we take the time to discern what Jesus wants from us? Are our prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for us? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time in silence to listen to what Jesus is asking of you.

Response to the Psalm:

Show us, Lord, the path of life.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

Canon McAllister, Maureen McLeod, James Morris, Elaine McCormick, Sandra Graham, Ester Wren, Daniel Cornet, Ann-Marie Bevan, Patricia Phee, Angie Kempson, Margaret Lynch, Edith Bryant, Elizabeth McVay, Veronica Fogherty, David and Lynn Dean, Colin Reid, Martin Lacey, Sandra Christie, Eleanor Haggett, Bonnie Gauson, Susan Stevenson, Elizabeth Byrne and Jennifer Imrie

Our Lady, Mother of the sick—pray for them

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

and those who have died of Covid-19

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.

Church	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Stand Orders	Total
St Peter in Chains			£121.00	
Ss John & Columba’s			£372.00	
Our Lady of Lourdes			£34.75	

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!*

Parish Activities: as you can expect, all parish activities, clubs, services etc are currently on hold. We do not know when the government will allow us to resume normal activities, and so please bear with us. Let us pray that the all clear may come soon, and that the virus does not claim anyone from our parish community.

During this trying time, both Deacon Pat and Fr Kevin have taken to social media to try and keep some form of parish activities on going. The timetable on the back of the newsletter, tells you of when and what we are doing. All of these Masses and services are being ‘live streamed’ through the parish Facebook pages: “**The Catholic Parish of the Most Holy Trinity**” and “**Most Holy Trinity Parish-Our Lady of Lourdes Church.**” If you have Facebook and you have not already ‘liked’ these pages (*why wouldn’t you have already?!!*), then please do so and keep in touch with the parish.

During this time of trial, as we have said before, if you are in need of anything, shopping, prescription etc, please do get in touch.

Although the obligation has been lifted for Catholics to attend Mass on Sundays, the obligation to keep Sunday as the Lord’s day has not been. We encourage you as a household, to take some time on Sundays to stop and read through the Mass readings together, and to reflect upon the Word of God. It is a good and pious act to make a Spiritual Communion.

A Spiritual Communion fir use when not able to receive our Lord physically:

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit
me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Parish finances and coronavirus: We have been asked how people can continue to support their parish when we cannot put money in the plate at church. If your income has been impacted by the crisis, please do not feel obliged to contribute at this time. If your income is secure and you wish to contribute, the best option would be to set up a standing order if you have not already done so. If you have online banking you can set this up quickly using the parish sort code and account number (if your circumstances change this can be amended/cancelled). We also have standing order forms available which you can complete, sign and post to your bank (using the branch address on your cheque book or bank statement).

Alternatively you can donate using electronic banking. The Parish account details are:

Sort Code: **833300**

Account Number: **19119778**

Account name: **Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh The Most Holy Trinity – Fife**

(Please include your name as the payment reference).

NEWS & EVENTS

Magnificat Prayer resources

During this challenging time, the publishers of Magnificat are offering complimentary access to the online version of the resource to help people pray at home. Magnificat contains the readings for Sunday and daily Mass, together with simplified versions of morning and evening prayer, as well as lovely reflections and meditations. The online version of Magnificat can be accessed at us.magnificat.net

Priest School

A documentary on life at the Pontifical Scots College in Rome was broadcast on Sunday evening. It is now available to view on BBC iPlayer at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000hmvf/priest-school>. Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday when we pray in a particular way for vocations to the priesthood in our Archdiocese and within the Universal Church as a whole. Watch the above program and you will meet a few of the seminarians, who please God will be ordained for service in our local church in the next couple of years (Bobby & Martin).

Sunday evenings

At this time, there is a weekly ecumenical call to prayer on Sundays at 7pm. Thirteen Christian churches and organisations are taking part for the fourth consecutive week, with people urged to place a candle in their window at that time. We will publish details for this Sunday's prayer on our social media and website when we receive it. Please see <https://archedinburgh.org/churches-join-in-prayer-for-sunday-evening/>

Prayer resources

There are an increasing number of valuable resources online that are very useful to Catholics during the lockdown. One which you may find worthwhile is on a website called They Kingdom Come, which has issued a range of neatly formatted resources, including Morning, Evening and Night prayer as well as a Pentecost Novena. You may wish to share these with parishioners.

Visit: <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/resources/resources-catholic-church>

Children's Sunday Newsletter:

Copy and paste this link into your web browser and it will take you to this week's edition of a newsletter designed especially for our younger members of the parish: <https://thekidsbulletin.files.wordpress.com/2020/04/the-kids-bulletin-easter-3.pdf>

One of the things of which I have become much more aware in these days of lockdown is birdsong. With the largely lovely weather we have been having and with the windows open and traffic (meant to be so much lessened...), the singing of the birds comes so much easier to the ear. It is a joyful sound. It is, of course, spring – personally, my favourite time of the year – and the birdsong and the trees coming into full leaf are signs of new life, growth and hope.

Of course, this year it is a rather bitter-sweet experience as, apart from a brief period each day for physical exercise, we are largely stuck indoors unable to fully enjoy the joys and beauty of this spring season.

It seems so very appropriate that, at least here in the northern hemisphere, we get to celebrate the immense joy of the Easter season in springtime. The readings for this Third Sunday of Easter present to us the basic *kerygma* (proclamation) of the early Church, that they were all witnesses to the Resurrection.

Our First Reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, is the first half of a speech that Peter delivers after the disciples' experience of Pentecost. In this speech we hear two very important points about Jesus. First, everything about Jesus – from his mighty works and signs to his resurrection from the dead – was accomplished by God. Second, Jesus' resurrection from the dead fulfils God's "oath" to King David. According to Acts' portrayal of Peter's preaching, the disciples experience of the resurrected and ascended Christ had led them to identify God as the author of every movement of their story.

In the Second Reading, directed to the Gentile churches of Asia Minor, Peter knows the recipients of this letter as believing Christians, must break with their past way of thinking and embrace what God has offered them in the Resurrection of Jesus. Peter, too, points to God as the source of the Gentiles' faith and hope.

So, today's readings tell us how Peter and the disciples brought the Good News of the Resurrection to both Jews and Gentiles. Despite the lockdown, self-isolation and social distancing which currently shapes the pattern of our daily lives, we know that in this Easter season, we are called to tell others the Good News of what God has done in the Resurrection of Christ. I know that many of you are doing this every day through quiet acts of loving service to your neighbours. As people who profess the Christian faith you are doing these things in the name of Christ, who teaches us to serve one another. Others among you are reaching out in different ways to bring the Good News of Christ's Resurrection to others. I thank all of you who, in so many different ways, are witnessing to the faith and hope we have in the risen Christ.

Finally, Even though we are largely stuck indoors in these beautiful days of spring, let us rejoice in the new life that we see all around us in this lovely season of the year. And just as the eyes of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus (today's Gospel) were opened to the presence of Christ with them, may be reminded, that where things seem dark and barren God, through Christ's resurrection, always brings new life, light, joy and peace – so that to paraphrase St Peter, we will have faith and hope in God. I am reminded of some words from a beautiful hymn of Eastertide *Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain, wheat that in the dark earth many days have lain; love lives again, that with the dead has been: love is come again like wheat that springeth green.* With every prayer and blessing I continue to offer Mass each day in the oratory within the Presbytery and it is live-streamed on the main parish Facebook page and also later on our Youtube channel:

Most Holy Trinity SW Fife.

Stay safe & God bless, Fr Kevin



A picture for you to colour in.....

On the Road to Emmaus

Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.
 Luke 24:31a (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 24:13-35 (NIV).



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 E M M A U S E T Y L E D P C O
 J V K V I D K H J E S U S R Z

WALKED	JESUS	SUFFER	CRUCIFIED
MOSES	BREAD	BELIEVE	VISITOR
THANKS	FOOLISH	PROPHET	EYES
CLEOPAS	OPENED	VILLAGE	EMMAUS