# LITURGICAL TIMETABLE FOR COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL ACT	PRESIDER	MASS INTENTION
Sunday 19th April	10.00am	Holy Mass	Fr Kevin	Pro Populo
Divine Mercy Sunday	2.45pm	Exposition & Divine Mercy Devotions	Fr Kevin	
Monday 20th April in the 2nd Week of	12.30pm	Holy Mass	Fr Kevin	Edna Gonzale's Birthday
Easter	6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Deacon Pat	
Tuesday 21st April in the 2nd Week of	12.30pm	Holy Mass	Fr Kevin	Elizabeth McNeely RIP
Easter	6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Deacon Pat	
Wed 22nd April in the 2nd Week of Easter	12.30pm	Holy Mass	Fr Kevin	Michael Ruaridh's 2nd Bithday
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Deacon Pat	
Thursday 23rd April in the 2nd Week of Easter	12.30pm	Holy Mass	Fr Kevin	Fr Valentino's Intentions
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Deacon Pat	
Friday 24th April in the 2nd Week of	12.30pm	Holy Mass	Fr Kevin	Alison Oliver's Intentions
Easter	6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Deacon Pat	
Saturday 25th April Feast of St Mark	10.00am	Holy Mass	Fr Kevin	
Sunday 26th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	10.00am	Holy Mass	Fr Kevin	Pro Populo
	5.00pm	Vespers & Benediction	Fr Kevin	

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# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (A) 19th April 2020

#### PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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"Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'" (John 20:19)

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, like a new neighbour, a new work colleague or a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home? Many of us can probably do a much better job at this. When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded.

We are made for relationships – with God and each other.

A simple "hello" and a smile goes a long way.

## Response to the Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

# **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

# 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 Lynnis 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

Elizabeth McNeely RIP 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 <u>Thursday morning</u> for inclusion in the weekend bulletin.

<u>Church</u>	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Stand Orders	<u>Total</u>
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).

6. The image is supposed to be venerated especially on what day?					
О	Easter Sunday.				
О	Divine Mercy Sunday.				
О	Christmas Day.				
О	New Year's Day.				
7. Jes	7. Jesus' right hand is raised in a gesture of				
О	Welcoming.				
О	Blessing.				
О	Scolding.				
О	Pointing.				
8. Jes	sus' left hand points to				
О	His Heart.				
О	Heaven.				
О	The viewer.				
О	St. Faustina.				
<b>9.</b> W	hat do Jesus' white garments represent?				
$\circ$	Innocence.				
О	Priestly attire.				
О	Purity.				
О	Perfection.				
10. J	esus said that the image is also to be a reminder of				
$\circ$	The demands of His mercy.				
О	The danger of sin.				
О	The vengeance of God.				
О	The power of God.				
<u>BONUS</u>					
11. J	esus promised that souls that will venerate this image				
О	Will not perish.				
О	Will have victory over [its] enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour				
of dec					
0	Will be defended by Jesus, Himself.				
$\sim$	All of the above.				

The Gospels tell us that Jesus appeared to the disciples on several occasions after they discovered that his tomb was empty. Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit but in bodily form. The bodily form was not one that the disciples recognized though. In John's Gospel, Mary of Magdala does not recognise that the figure standing before her is Jesus until he speaks to her. In Luke's Gospel the disciples who meet Jesus on the road to Emmaus do not recognize him until he breaks bread with them. The resurrected Jesus had a physical presence, but the disciples couldn't recognise Jesus unless he allowed them to. His resurrected body, nonetheless, showed the marks of his crucifixion.

From readings such as today's Gospel, we also see that in his resurrected body, Jesus seems to be free of physical constraints. He appears to the disciples despite the fact that the doors were locked.

Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. In doing so, Jesus commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." During the meeting, Jesus also shows the integral connection between forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The story of Thomas illustrates our Christian experience today: We are called to believe without seeing. In fact, all Christians after the first witnesses have been called to believe without seeing. Thomas's doubt is hardly surprising; the news of Jesus' appearance was incredible to the disciples who had seen him crucified and buried. Thomas's human nature compelled him to want hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death was indeed the same Jesus who had been crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to act on that desire. He is our witness that Jesus is really risen.

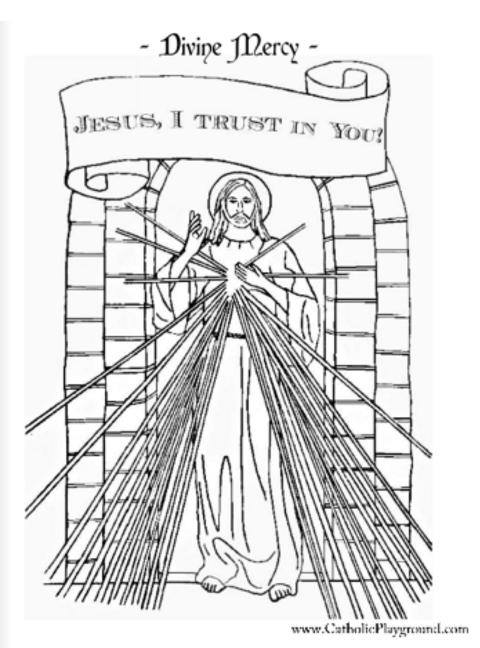
Our faith is based on the witness of the Church that has preceded us, beginning with Thomas and the first disciples. Through Baptism we receive the same Holy Spirit that Jesus brought to the first disciples. We are among those who are "blessed" because we believe without having seen.

Dear Friends, My thanks to those parishioners who have set up Standing Orders to continue their weekly offerings to the parish, and to those who are posting their envelopes through the letterbox.

Thanks also for the Easter cards received last week.

I continue to offer Mass every day in Ss John & Columba's Church and it is live-streamed on the main parish Facebook page and also later on our Youtube channel: Most Holy Trinity SW Fife.

Fr Kevin



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

	A Divine Mercy Quiz			
1. <b>H</b> o	ow is the image supposed to be signed?			
0	Jesus, I trust in You.			
0	Jesus, I love You.			
0	Jesus, I need You.			
0	Jesus, I hope in You.			
	o matter which version of the image you prefer, ll has the same			
0	Brush strokes.			
0	Colour scheme.			
0	Background design.			
0	Graces flowing through it.			
3. <b>W</b>	hat do the red and white rays represent?			
0	Nothing.			
0	The colours of the flag of Poland.			
0	Divine power.			
0	The Blood and Water that gushed from the			
Hear	t of Jesus.			
4. Th	e first time she saw the painting of Jesus as The Divine Mercy, St. Faustina			
0	Liked the colours.			
0	Cried for joy.			
0	Cried because it wasn't as beautiful as she saw Jesus.			
0	Thought it cost too much.			
5. W	here did Jesus say He desired the image to be venerated?			
0	Privately, in the sisters' chapel.			
0	First in the sisters' chapel, and then throughout the world.			
0	In churches only.			
0	In homes only.			