

# The Catholic Parish of the Most Holy Trinity, Parish Newsletter.

**Sunday 18th April 2021**

**3rd Sunday of Easter (Year B)**

“Peace be with you” - so important are these words of Jesus that we hear them three times in the Gospel. Last week we heard St John’s account of one of Jesus’ appearances to the disciples in the days after his death and resurrection. “Peace be with you,” Jesus said as he breathed the strength of the Holy Spirit on his fearful and doubting followers. In doing this, Jesus echoed what he had said to the disciples at the Last Supper after he had washed their feet: “The Holy Spirit will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid” (Jn.14:26-7). But Thomas still doubted and needed to place his hands on the wounded body of Jesus before he could believe.

St Luke’s account of the appearance of Jesus starts on the third day after the crucifixion, the day when his tomb was found empty.

On the road to Emmaus a stranger walks with two of the disciples and finally they recognise Jesus “in the breaking of the bread” (Lk.24:35).

This week’s Gospel tells what followed. Jesus appears amongst all the disciples, again greeting them with: “Peace be with you.” He reassures them he is not a ghost, is still with them in the flesh. And as they stand dumfounded, Jesus asks the very human question: “Have you anything here to eat?” Once again he shares a meal with his followers. And as they share the food, he opens their hearts and minds to understand what they have seen and heard.

As we share the food of our Eucharistic meal each time we gather at mass, we recall that whenever Jesus shared a meal with his followers he opened their hearts and minds. Jesus said: “Touch me and see for yourselves.” We may not be there in Jerusalem in that room with the disciples reaching out to touch Jesus, but we can touch and see Jesus in all the good things around us in our world: in the food that nourishes us, the water that revives us and washes us clean, in the love of God, family and friends that sustains us.

All these are part of the Peace that we have been given and in these words we feel our call to be Peace in our families, communities, workplaces and world.

## The Parish Clergy

**Parish Administrator:**

Fr Joshua Kauras

**Pastoral Assistant:**

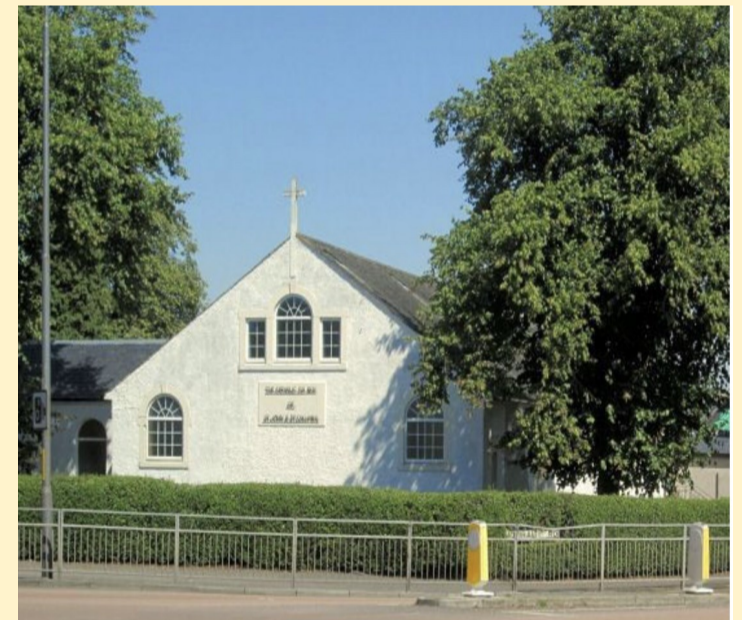
Rev Pat Carrigan  
(Permanent Deacon)

**Parish Secretary:**

Mary Irvine



**St Peter in Chains Church, Inverkeithing**



**Ss John & Columba's Church, Rosyth**



**Our Lady of Lourdes Church,  
Dunfermline**

# Scripture Readings & Responses

## First Reading

Acts 3:13-15:17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

## **The Word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

### **R. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.**

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from your anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me!
2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him.
3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.
4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord make me dwell in safety.

## Second Reading

John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

## **The Word of the Lord**

## Acclamation

Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

## Gospel

LUKE 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?'

And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

## **The Gospel of the Lord**

**Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm**

Canon McAllister, James Lynch, 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, 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**

HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, Gillian Ross

# Parish News & Events

## **Parish Administrative Announcement:**

As we move forward together as one Parish there are a small number of changes that should be noted.

Fr Joshua can be contacted via email at [admin@catholicswife.com](mailto:admin@catholicswife.com) or at the OLOL Parish House on 01383 722202.

The Parish Office can assist with funeral arrangements as well as general enquiries relating to the Parish. Mary can be contacted at [marylol@btinternet.com](mailto:marylol@btinternet.com) or by contacting the number above.

To get in touch with Deacon Pat email [obl.columba@gmail.com](mailto:obl.columba@gmail.com).

Bulletin notices can be emailed to [mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com) the deadline for items to be included in the weekends newsletter is 12 noon on a Friday.

## **Archdiocese Announcement Weekend Mass Bookings:**

You will have seen in the news that the Scottish Government is lifting the cap on numbers attending Church services, however we are still constrained by social distancing and the space that our Churches can safely accommodate. Under direction from the Archbishop from Monday 26th April capacity within each Churches will be determined by the size of the building. Please continue to follow the guidance from the Parish Pastoral Council and book through our Church Coordinators, as well as this the use of face masks (unless exempt), hand sanitiser and one way systems will remain in place. Weddings and funeral numbers will both be increased to a maximum of 50 attendees. Currently children are not included in numbers however the Scottish government have changed its position on this. From the above date children between the age of 5 and 12 are required to be counted in numbers, so please keep this in mind when booking places at Mass. Please email your request on a Friday between 12noon and 6pm, stating how many places you require, your name and telephone number to:

St Peter in Chains:

[kathleen481@outlook.com](mailto:kathleen481@outlook.com)

Ss John & Columba's:

[lisaquinn50@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lisaquinn50@hotmail.co.uk)

Our Lady of Lourdes:

[hall\\_margaret4@sky.com](mailto:hall_margaret4@sky.com)

You will only receive a response if you have been unsuccessful in getting an allocated seat.

## **St Joseph's Prayer book:**

These have now arrived in the Parish and can be found at the back of each Church. Please take a copy.

## **Caritas, Justice and Peace Commission:**

Saturday 24 April - Practical responses to Laudato Si' calls us to hear and respond to the cries of the earth and the poor. We will share experience in making practical responses, such as in daily choices (for example to do with food shopping, heating,...), and through creative ideas like community gardens. We will focus on personal, community and parish life.

Video: <https://youtu.be/Wy6UZGM3WHI>

Further information and to register visit <https://tinyurl.com/LSiResponses>

## **Grotto at Our Lady of Lourdes Church:**

Work has progressed well with the construction of the Grotto and just a few finishing touches are now required, including the purchase of a statue of Our Lady. The project is estimated to cost £2.5k and to date we have received donations of over £300. If you would like to and are able to make a donation to the project this would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be made in the wall safe at the back of OLOL as you enter or see either Mary Irvine, Margaret Hall or Deacon Pat. There will be envelopes at the back of all three Churches should you wish to use these for your donations.

Many thanks for your support.

## **Justgiving Page for Father Kevin**

We have officially said our farewells to Father Kevin as he takes up his new post as an Army Chaplain. Due to the current pandemic and restrictions that are in place, we cannot at this time have a farewell party for him. However we will look at options in the coming months and see what can be arranged when he returns to visit family in Fife. It has been agreed by the Parish Pastoral Council that over the coming months we will do some fundraising and the money raised will be presented to him in a cheque to purchase white goods for his new home. A Justgiving page has been set up, for those not familiar Justgiving is a secure website that allows people to donate to a fundraising event safely. It allows people to make donations (anonymously if they wish), this may be beneficial for those unable to attend our Churches at this time, or for family or friends who live further afield that may be interested. The link to donate is below or speak to Kathleen Paterson (St Peter in Chains), Lisa Quinn (St John & Columba's) or Mary Irvine (OLOL). Envelopes are also available at the back of all three Churches.

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/mostholytrinity-catholicparish?utm\\_term=Qy6VmeABq](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/mostholytrinity-catholicparish?utm_term=Qy6VmeABq)

## **St John & Columba's Virtual Safeguarding Course:**

Safeguarding is an important step in keeping everyone safe within our Parish and all regulated volunteers are required to complete the training course. Due to the pandemic induction part 2 will be conducted online via Zoom. The Archdiocese have arranged for these courses to be held, if you are able to take part please book directly with the course trainers and inform Lisa Quinn (Parish Safeguarding Coordinator), that you are taking part. For Saturday 24th April & Saturday 15th May 2021 please email Scott Mackenzie at [scott.mackenzie@staned.org.uk](mailto:scott.mackenzie@staned.org.uk). There is also courses on Sunday 25th April & Sunday 16th May 2021, if you would like to register for these dates please contact Callum Timms on [callum.timms@staned.org.uk](mailto:callum.timms@staned.org.uk). Each course is restricted to 100 participants. You need only take part in **one** of the four dates, Lisa will contact those volunteers who require the training and will be happy to answer any questions.

## **Supporting the Parish**

During the pandemic and restricted numbers allowed to attend Church, you have very little chance of supporting the ongoing mission of the parish and upkeep of our church buildings. We thank you for all that you have contributed in the past, and if you are able to continue your support, which can also be Gift Aided, we would be eternally grateful. God bless.

Below are the details for the bank accounts for each church if you wish to make your donation directly into the bank account:

St Peter in Chains— RBS A/C No: 00600297 Sort Code:833300

Ss John & Columba's— RBS A/C No: 00114865 Sort Code: 832339

Our Lady of Lourdes— RBS A/C No: 00249131 Sort Code: 833300

# LITURGICAL TIMETABLE

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
<b>Sunday 18th April</b> 3rd Sunday of Easter (Year B)	9:30am	*St John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Tommy Morphy (Ann)
	11:00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Annice Templeton RIP
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
<b>Monday 19th April</b> in the 3rd Week of Easter	-	<b>NO MASS</b>	-	-
<b>Tuesday 20th April</b> In the 3rd Week of Easter (*Live Streamed*)	6:15pm	*Ss John & Columba's*	Confessions	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	
<b>Wednesday 21st April</b> In the 3rd Week of Easter	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Pat M
<b>Thursday 22nd April</b> in the 3rd Week of Easter	6:15pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Confessions	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Margaret Glancey (Ann)
<b>Friday 23rd April</b> in the 3rd Week of Easter	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	
<b>Saturday 24th April</b> in the 3rd Week of Easter (*Live Streamed*)	10:00am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	
	10:30am		Confessions	
	4.15pm	St Peter in Chains	Confessions	
	5.00pm		Vigil Mass	Pro Populo
<b>Sunday 25th April</b> 4th Sunday of Easter (Year B) (*Live Streamed*)	9.30am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
	11.00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Annice Templeton RIP

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Parish Safeguarding Officers

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. Joshua 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 (Tel: 01592 592111). In cases of emergency where you or a family member require the pastoral assistance of the Catholic Chaplain please request this from the nursing staff at the hospital. For patients in Queen Margaret Hospital please contact Fr Chris Heenan (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. This should be communicated to Fr Joshua.



## The Catholic Parish of The Most Holy Trinity



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