

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
<b>Sunday 2nd May</b> 5th Sunday of Easter (Year B)	<b>9:30am</b>	*St John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Chris Kelly RIP
	<b>11:00am</b>	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
	<b>5:00pm</b>	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
<b>Monday 3rd May</b> in the 5th Week of Easter	-	<b>NO MASS</b>	-	-
<b>Tuesday 4th May</b> In the 5th Week of Easter (*live Streamed*)	<i>6:15pm</i>	*Ss John & Columba's*	<i>Confessions</i>	
	<b>7:00pm</b>		Holy Mass	Martin Wallace RIP
<b>Wednesday 5th May</b> In the 5th Week of Easter	<b>10.00am</b>	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Jim McGill RIP
<b>Thursday 6th May</b> In the 5th Week of Easter	<i>6:15pm</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes	<i>Confessions</i>	
	<b>7:00pm</b>		Holy Mass	Tom Loughman
<b>Friday 7th May</b> In the 5th Week of Easter	<b>10.00am</b>	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	No Intention
<b>Saturday 8th May</b> In the 5th Week of Easter (*Live Streamed*)	<b>10:00am</b>	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Hlewellyn Lloyd (Ann)
	<i>10:30am</i>		<i>Confessions</i>	
	<i>4.15pm</i> <b>5.00pm</b>	St Peter in Chains	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil Mass	People of the Parish
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### PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

**Parish Administrator- Fr Joshua Kauras**, (email: admin@catholicswife.com)

Parish Office & Priests Address- 67 Aberdour Road, Dunfermline, KY11 4QZ Telephone 01383 722202

**Pastoral Assistant- Rev Pat Carrigan** (email: obl.columba@gmail.com)

**Parish Secretary- Mary Irvine** (email: marylol@btinternet.com) general enquiries only.

**Parish Newsletter-** email: mhparishnewsletter@gmail.com (submissions send by 12 noon on a Friday)

#### **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.*

#### **Mass Intentions**

If you wish for a Mass to be said for diseased relatives or friends, an anniversary or for a special or private intention please collect an envelope at the back of the Church. When complete these can be placed in collection plate or posted through the priests door at the presbytery at Our Lady of Lourdes church or given to the priest at the end of Holy Mass.

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

**Sunday 2nd May 2021**

**5th Sunday of Easter (Year B)**

We are still on the Easter journey. After the three day roller-coaster of emotions - from Jesus' supper with his disciples, through trial and crucifixion, to the wonder of the women at the empty tomb - we now prepare ourselves to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

During these fifty days, our journey is steadied and enlightened by the words of the First Letter of St John. It has a central message made clear in today's reading: we are asked to believe in Jesus and love one another. We are then assured that we are not alone in this challenge: "We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us." The poet Gerard Manley Hopkins echoes this in *As Kingfishers Catch Fire*: "For Christ plays in ten thousand places, Lovely in limbs, and lovely in eyes not his."

This idea of Christ living within us is explored in today's Gospel where Jesus likens himself to the "true vine." He tells us: "Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty."

Through the gifts of the Holy Spirit we can hold Christ within us, not only in our thoughts, our ideas, our actions, but deep within ourselves, in our souls and in our hearts. We are helped by prayer and by reflecting on the words of scripture, maybe meditating on the images, or by spending time with the phrases that we particularly notice. Or we can sit still and simply open our hearts and listen. Jesus says: "If you remain in me and my words remain in you ..."

(Reflection from Carmelite Fathers)

## 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 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

### **The Word of the Lord**

### Responsorial Psalm

#### **R. You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly**

1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever!
2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him; They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust.
3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: 'These things the Lord has done.'

### Second Reading

John 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

### **The Word of the Lord**

### Acclamation

John 15:4.5

Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!

### Gospel

John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.

### **The Gospel of the Lord**

## Parish News & Events

### **Weekend Mass Bookings**

From Monday 26th April capacity will be determined by the size of the each Church. Please continue to follow the guidance from the Parish Pastoral Council and book through our Church Coordinators, face masks (unless exempt), hand sanitiser and one way systems will remain in place. Weddings and funeral numbers have been increased to a maximum of 50 attendees. 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 12 noon and 6pm, stating how many places you require, your name and telephone number to:

St Peter in Chains:

kathleen481@outlook.com

Ss John & Columba's:

lisaquinn50@hotmail.co.uk

Our Lady of Lourdes:

hall\_margaret4@sky.com

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

### **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 £1,055. 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 Fr Joshua, Deacon Pat, Mary Irvine, Margaret Hall. Envelopes are at the back of all three Churches should you wish to use these for your donations. Many thanks for your support.

### **Virtual Safeguarding Online Courses**

If you are a volunteer with children or vulnerable adults within the Parish and have not completed initial safeguarding training please ensure that you register for part 1 induction training. Details can be found at <https://archedinburgh.org/administration/safeguarding-training/>. Additionally part 2 training will also be conducted online, for this please book directly with the course trainers. For Saturday 15th May 2021 please email Scott Mackenzie at [scott.mackenzie@staned.org.uk](mailto:scott.mackenzie@staned.org.uk). There is also a course on Sunday 16th May 2021, to register for this date please contact Callum Timms at [calum.timms@staned.org.uk](mailto:calum.timms@staned.org.uk). Please inform your Parish Safeguarding Coordinator that you are taking part in any of the safeguarding training courses.

### **St John & Columba's 200 Club Winners- January-April**

1st Prize David Hunter, 2nd Mr & Mrs R McNeil, 3rd Pauline Livingston.

Feb — 1st Prize Mary Guild, 2nd Maureen Cunningham, 3rd Pat Castle,

March — 1st Prize Dorothy Brogan ( SNR ) 2nd Elaine Steinbach, 3rd Julie Webber.

April — 1st Prize Dorothy Brogan, 2nd Paul Campbell, 3rd Pat Armstrong.

New members are always welcome, the cost of membership is £60 per year (£5 per month ) for one number.

Payment can be by monthly / yearly Standing Order, monthly, 3 or 6 monthly or yearly by cash/cheque. Contact Lisa Quinn ([lisaquinn50@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lisaquinn50@hotmail.co.uk)) for help or further details.

### **Scottish elections**

The election to Holyrood is on Thursday 6 May. Please visit the Catholic Parliamentary Office website ([rcpolitics.org](http://rcpolitics.org)) where you will find a resources section with information on key issues to consider ahead of voting. Right To Life UK has launched its 2021 Scottish election campaign - Vote For Both Lives. Visit [www.righttolife.org.uk/BothLivesScotland](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/BothLivesScotland) for more information.

### **SPUC White Flower Appeal**

On Saturday, 22 May 2021, at Carfin Grotto, SPUC Scotland will display 14,000 white flower images, one for every child lost to abortion in Scotland in one year, to create a 'carpet of flowers for the unborn'. Bishop Toal will bless the physical display at 2pm. If you would like to sponsor a virtual flower, please visit [www.whiteflower.org.uk](http://www.whiteflower.org.uk) or call SPUC Scotland (0141 221 2094) to make a donation.

### **St Mary's University**

Masters courses in Theology and Education will begin in September at the Gillis Centre Campus in Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, run by St Mary's University in partnership with the Archdiocese. All information is available on the St Mary's University website: [stmarys.ac.uk/Edinburgh](http://stmarys.ac.uk/Edinburgh)