

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 16th May 7th Sunday of Easter (Year B)	9:30am	*St John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
	11:00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 17th May in the 7th Week of Easter	-	NO MASS	-	-
Tuesday 18th May In the 7th Week of Easter (*live Streamed*)	<i>6:15pm</i>	*Ss John & Columba's*	<i>Confessions</i>	No Intention
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	
Wednesday 19th May In the 7th Week of Easter	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	R. McNally RIP
Thursday 20th May In the 7th Week of Easter	<i>6:15pm</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes	<i>Confessions</i>	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	No Intention
Friday 21st May In the 7th Week of Easter	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	No Intention
Saturday 22nd May In the 7th Week of Easter (*Live Streamed*)	10:00am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Eileen Neemoody RIP
	<i>10:30am</i>		<i>Confessions</i>	
	<i>4:15pm</i> 5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 23rd May Solemnity of Pentecost (Year B) (*Live Streamed*)	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
	11:00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish

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, or given to the priest at the end of Holy Mass.

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Sunday 16th May 2021

7th Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Reflection - Called, chosen, sent to be God's heart

The feast of the Ascension commemorates the return of Jesus to the Father. Jesus leaves in body but remains with us through the gift of the Spirit. We will celebrate the gift and presence of the Holy Spirit in next Sunday's feast of Pentecost.

The true meaning of the Ascension is not found in Jesus' leaving, but in the way he calls his disciples back together, to re-form them as a new community entrusted with the spread of the Gospel. Jesus sends the disciples out to make disciples of all nations and to teach them his way. But the disciples are not left to do all that on their own. Jesus promises that he is with them always.

Jesus has called the ragged, group of disciples, scattered after his crucifixion, back to himself to form them, fragile and doubtful as they are, into a community for mission in the name of God. The task of the historical Jesus is complete; the task of the church as the living Body of Christ has just begun. It is comforting to recognise that Jesus doesn't insist on perfection before he calls us and entrusts us with his mission.

This mission is authorised by God and passed on to us through Jesus. It is not about authority over others. It is actually a call to act as God would act, true to God's heart as Jesus has taught us.

Ever since Easter, we have been proclaiming that Jesus is alive. The feasts of the Ascension and Pentecost help us to realise that we are part of a long tradition of faithful disciples. We have our faults and failings, but our call is to witness to and teach the way of Jesus by the kind of people we are, the values and attitudes we hold, in thought, word and action - to be the living presence of God in the world today.

(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 1:15-17.20-26

One day Peter stood up to speak to the brothers - there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: 'Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus - after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours. 'In the Book of Psalms it says: Let someone else take his office. 'We must therefore choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling around with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he was taken up from us - and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection.' Having nominated two candidates, Joseph known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, 'Lord, you can read everyone's heart; show us therefore which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place.' They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias, he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 102:1-2. 11-12. 19-20

R. The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord; all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. (R)
2. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. (R)
3. The Lord has set his sway in heaven and his kingdom is ruling over all. Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels, mighty in power, fulfilling his word. (R)

Second Reading

John 4:11-16

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit. We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God's love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.

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Acclamation

John 14:18

Alleluia, alleluia! I will not leave your orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 17:11-19

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Holy Father, keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us. While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name. I have watched over them and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you and while still in the world I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world anymore than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth ; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.'

The Gospel of the Lord— Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

This Weeks News & Events

Weekend Mass Bookings

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.

Liturgical Changes

From Today (Sunday 16th May) all of our Churches will return to receiving our Blessed Lord at the correct time of the liturgical service. Once you have received the Blessed Sacrament you are requested to return to your seats following the once way system. Once communion has concluded Fr Joshua will give the final blessing. At St John & Columba's this will be done slightly differently, stewards will invite one row at a time to go forward for Holy Communion before returning to your seat. In all Churches please follow the direction of stewards who are there to assist. Please continue to maintain social distancing inside and outside the Church Buildings.

May Devotions

Please note that for the remainder of May we will continue our adoration to the Blessed Sacrament and recite the Holy Rosary beginning 30 minutes before each weekday Mass. If you are interested in leading the Rosary please speak with Lisa (Ss J&C), Kathleen (St PiC) or Margaret (OLOL).

Grotto at Our Lady of Lourdes Church

The Grotto is moving at pace 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 **£1,710**. Donations can be made in the wall safe at the back of OLOL as you enter, or see Fr Joshua, Deacon Pat, Mary Irvine or 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.

St John's Primary School Summer Raffle

St John's Primary School Parent Council are currently planning a summer raffle to raise funds for much needed IT equipment for the school children. We are looking for donations of anything that would be suitable as a raffle prize or that could be added to a hamper - smellies, candles, chocolates, alcohol or a voucher. We would be extremely grateful for any contributions and can happily collect anything before Mon 31st May. Please contact Karen on 07443 414311 if you would like to make a donation. Many Thanks for your support.

Church Volunteers

As we begin to look at the relaxation of some rules (in line with Government advice) it would be great to see more people volunteering within our Churches. If you would like to assist with leading the rosary, scripture reading or cleaning the Church after Holy Mass please get in touch. Speak with Lisa (Ss J&C), Kathleen (St PiC) or Margaret (OLOL) who can pass your details on to the relevant person. Many thanks to all our current volunteers who work extremely hard to ensure our Churches can open in a safe manner, and we look forward to any new volunteers being able to assist.

Sacrament of Confirmation

We thank God that this year the sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated within our Parish on Thursday 27th May in Our Lady of Lourdes and in St John & Columba's on Wednesday 9th June both at 6pm & 7pm. Due to the ongoing pandemic unfortunately the services will not be available to attend other than for family members or those who have been invited by the schools or Parish Clergy. The confirmations Mass will be live streamed from Rosyth. Please continue to pray for those who will be confirmed and their families, that the Lord will continue to guide and bless them.