

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 11th July 15th Sunday of the Year (Year B)	9:30am	*St John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Eileen Griffin
	11:00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Robert Ward (Sick)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 12th July 15th Week in Ordinary Time	-	No Mass	-	-
Tuesday 13th July 15th Week in Ordinary Time (*Live Streamed*)	10:00am	St John & Columba's	Funeral Mass	Thomas Anderson (RIP)
	<i>6:30pm</i>	*Ss John & Columba's*	<i>Confessions</i>	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Stella Morrison (Ann)
Wednesday 14th July 15th Week in Ordinary Time	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Kathleen McHale (Ann)
Thursday 15th July Memorial of St Bonaventure	<i>6:30pm</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes	<i>Confessions</i>	Marguerite Pace-Balzam (RIP)
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	
Friday 16th July 15th Week in Ordinary Time	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	John Devine (Ann)
Saturday 17th July 15th Week in Ordinary Time (*Live Streamed*)	10:00am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	John McGowan (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 18th July 16th Sunday of the Year (Year B) (*Live Streamed*)	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
	11:00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Tommy & Bridget Allan (Ann)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish

PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

Parish Administrator - Fr Joshua Kauras, (email: admin@catholicswife.com)
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Pastoral Assistant - Rev Pat Carrigan (email: obl.columba@gmail.com)
Parish Secretary – Mary Irvine (email: maryol@btinternet.com) general enquiries only.
Parish Newsletter Coordinator – Dean McGuire (email: mhparishnewsletter@gmail.com) Submissions 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 & Funeral Arrangements
 Those who require the Sacrament of the Sick at home should contact the Parish Office to arrange for Fr. Joshua to visit. For funeral arrangements please contact Fr Joshua or Deacon Pat. 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 Isaac (625611) *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 deceased relatives or friends, an anniversary or special or private intention, please collect an envelope from the back of the Church. When complete these can be placed in collection plate or posted through the door of the presbytery at Our Lady of Lourdes, or given to the priest at the end of Holy Mass.

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Reflection - Living Sacraments of God's Love

The first reading today tells the story of Amos, an ordinary man who was called by God to be a prophet. Amos, who had been happily looking after his sheep and his sycamore trees when God called him, was sent to preach to people who had become so lost in their wealth, power and self-importance that they could no longer read the face of God in the poor, weak and sick and despised them.

Like Amos, the disciples in the Gospel are ordinary men. None, not even Jesus himself, is a formally commissioned or ordained rabbi, yet they are called and commissioned to preach and to heal.

The Gospel needs to be presented simply and truthfully and without affectation. The preaching disciples must make themselves like the brothers and sisters to whom they dare preach. Perhaps a reminder that he/she is not above those to/for whom he/she preaches.

Too much wealth and too many possessions can easily get in the way of proclaiming the Gospel, as can an exalted sense of self-importance. Pope Francis is constantly warning priests and seminarians against clericalism (thinking they are above everyone else) and careerism (thinking more about self-advancement in the Church than about mission).

Not everyone will be able to hear or accept the message of the disciples, just as the townsfolk of Nazareth couldn't perceive the presence of God in Jesus. But there is no firestorm of punishment. Jesus, though hurt, amazed and dumbstruck, does not retaliate with violent retribution. Instead, he intensifies and multiplies his mission by sending out the disciples to other places. Where once there was only Jesus now there are 12 others spreading the Good News and healing. Disciples are called to proclaim God's love, not God's wrath.

It is ordinary people like you and me, not only those formally commissioned by the Church, who are called to read the face of God in ourselves, in others and in the world around us. We try not to get lost in our own power and wealth and self-importance which can easily blind us to the presence of God. We try to be people who become sacraments of God's presence for one another, who allow God to anoint God's people with acts of love, compassion, hope and healing.

(Reflection from Carmelite Fathers Lectio Divina)

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

Amos 7:12-15

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 84

R. Let us see, O Lord, your mercy, and give us your saving help.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R)
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R)

Second Reading

Ephesians 1: 3-14

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved, in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it; and you too have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

Acclamation

John 6:63-68

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:7-13

Jesus made a tour round the villages, teaching. Then he summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

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. 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.

For Your Prayers

Please remember Thomas (Tom) Peter Anderson who has died recently. Tom's Funeral Mass will be held in St John & Columba's Church on Tuesday 13th July at 10am. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in Peace. Amen. May God continue to console and guide his family.

Ordination to the Priesthood

Congratulations to Fr Martin Eckersley who was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood on Saturday 10th July, by his Grace Archbishop Leo Cushley. We send Fr Martin our warmest wishes from all in our Parish. May God continue to guide and bless all Priests, Deacons and Religious, as they continue to be faithful servants to God's Holy Church.

Special Collection

There will be a special collection this weekend (11th July) for Sea Sunday. Please give if you can.

Holy Communion

Anyone wishing to receive Holy Communion on the tongue should remain in their seat until the end of Mass. Fr Joshua will then at this time bring our Blessed Lord to you in your seat.

Sacramental Preparation

We have formed a Team to prepare children who attend non Catholic schools for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Parents should register in the first instance by contacting Deacon Pat on obl.columba@gmail.com. A contact telephone number should be included in the message to allow us to make contact with you.

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 **£2,120**. 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.

Ss John & Columba's Gardening Group

Calling all you green fingered gardeners! Want to meet other parishioners and help keep the church grounds looking tidy? We are looking to get a small army of volunteers together to do some weeding, planting and general tidying up. This could be once a month or so in the good weather, after the morning Mass on a Saturday with a cup of tea or coffee afterwards. If you would help email mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com. Many thanks to all our current volunteers who work tirelessly to make all our Church grounds look wonderful!

Standing Order Donations and Gift Aid at St Peter-in-Chains

If you would like to donate your collection using the Standing Order facility, please give your name and contact details to Father Joshua who will forward them to Moira McVay. Moira will then make contact with you to complete the forms with the relevant information. In addition, if you are a UK taxpayer, the government will give the church 25% added to your donation when you complete a gift aid form, if you can please consider this.

St John & Columba's Hymn Books

As we have now returned congregational singing and to allow this to be done safely if you have not already done so please collect a hymn book the next time you are at Mass. We will take your name and telephone number, and you will then take the hymn book away with you and bring it to both weekday and Sunday Mass each week. When the pandemic subsides you will then be able to return this to God's Church.