

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
<b>Sunday 22nd August</b> 21st Sunday of the Year (Year B) (*live Streamed*)	<b>9:30am</b>	*St John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Sally Murphy (RIP)
	<b>11:30am</b>	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Patrick McDonagh (Ann)
	<b>5:00pm</b>	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Sally Murphy (RIP)
<b>Monday 23rd August</b> 21st Week in Ordinary Time	-	<b>No Mass</b>	-	-
<b>Tuesday 24th August</b> Feast of St Bartholomew (*live Streamed*)	<i>6:30pm</i>	*Ss John & Columba's*	<i>Confessions</i>	Alex Carrigan (RIP)
	<b>7:00pm</b>		Holy Mass	
<b>Wednesday 25th August</b> 21st Week in Ordinary Time	<b>10:00am</b>	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	No Intention Requested
<b>Thursday 26th August</b> 21st Week in Ordinary Time	<i>6:30pm</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes	<i>Confessions</i>	Archie & Peggy Buchanan (RIP)
	<b>7:00pm</b>		Holy Mass	
<b>Friday 27th August</b> Memorial of St Monica	<b>10:00am</b>	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	No Intention Requested
<b>Saturday 28th August</b> Memorial of St Augustine (*Live Streamed*)	<b>10:00am</b>	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	David Sharon & Karen Ford (Spec Int)
	<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
<b>Sunday 29th August</b> 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) (*Live Streamed*)	<b>9:30am</b>	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
	<b>11:30am</b>	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	
	<b>5.00pm</b>	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	

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

## Parish Newsletter.

**Sunday 22nd August 2021**

**21st Sunday of the Year**

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### Reflection - Lord, who shall we go to?

The affirmation of faith in God by the people in the first reading from the Old Testament book of Joshua is echoed by Peter's affirmation of faith in Jesus in the Gospel. Joshua says: It's decision time. Who will be your God? The people answer: We remember what God has done for us. We have no intention of deserting the Lord our God - unlike some of the followers of Jesus in the Gospel.

Our excursion into the 'Bread of Life' passages of Chapter 6 of Saint John's Gospel comes to an end today. Over the last four Sundays, St John has taken us on a journey of discovering Jesus as the living Word of God who nourishes and strengthens us on our journey; as the living bread who gives his very self (flesh and blood) for the life of the world; and, today, as the bread of faith. Those who share the bread of faith are those who have chosen to believe in Jesus and follow him.

Only by drawing life from Jesus can one be drawn into the life of God. We feed on Jesus so that he becomes part of us and his life continues to grow in us and our life becomes caught up in his. That life draws us into communion with the life of God. We become sharers in that life, our awareness of which is nourished and strengthened as we eat and drink.

This meditation from John is about how Jesus is still present and a source of faith and nourishment in the life of the post-resurrection Christian community. The 'real presence' of Jesus lives on in the community. That presence is perceived by faith and received as living Word, food and drink, nourishing disciples in their journey to be the 'real presence' of Jesus in the world, the everlasting sign of God's love for all. At Eucharist we gather in communion with each other, with Jesus the Word, with Jesus the Bread and Wine. We are doing in a sacramental way what Jesus is doing in a real way within us. The Eucharist is teaching us how to live our lives as Christian disciples: how to be in communion with God and each other through our communion with Jesus.

What we physically eat and drink become us. Food changes and transforms cells, blood, muscle, tissue and organs. The purpose of Christian life is for us to become Christ. Having faith, being nourished by him changes and transforms us into his body and blood for the life of the world. We become the real presence of Jesus in the world today.

(Reflection shared from Carmelites 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

Joshua 24: 1-2, 15-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people, 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.' The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed? What is more, the Lord drove all those peoples out before us, as well as the Amorites who used to live in this country. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

*The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 33

**R. Taste and see that the Lord is good.**

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. ( R )
2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The Lord turns his eyes to the just and his ears to their appeal. ( R )
3. They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. ( R )
4. Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken. ( R )
5. Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. ( R )

### Second Reading

Ephesians 5:21-32

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

*The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.*

### Acclamation

John 6

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

### Gospel

John 6:60-69

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before? 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. 'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him. Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

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

## This Weeks News & Events

### **Bishops Conference of Scotland Covid-19 Update – What it means for our Parish**

The Scottish Government has now lifted almost every restriction that has shaped Parish life since March 2020. From today there will no longer be a requirement for parishioners to book a place at Sunday Mass, this includes the Vigil Mass. You will also be permitted to choose your own seat when you arrive at Church, there will be more seats available but please leave a little distance from the person next to you. The wearing of face coverings will continue (unless exempt) as will the regular use of hand sanitiser. The offertory procession will also return to its normal place in the liturgical service. As well as this the need to operate a one way system in the Churches will also end. So that we have a list of attendees can you please indicate to the Church Coordinators which Sunday Mass you are most likely to attend. Any visitors to the Parish will be asked to provide their details. The windows and doors will also remain open throughout Mass to maintain good ventilation. Many thanks to all our parishioners and visitors who have followed the rules that have been in place that have and will continue to keep everyone safe.

### **Special Collection**

There will be a special collection for African Missions and Holy Places today. Please contribute if you can.

### **Landings Group Meetings**

Landings will be restarting within the Parish again with the first meeting on Wednesday 25th August from 7:30pm - 9pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. This series of small group meetings is for anybody who wants to get to know a few other Catholics better after the pandemic's isolation. Together we share faith, life stories and great hospitality. This is for ALL Catholics who want a better connection to God and the Church. Phone Margaret on 01383 728844 for more information.

### **Sancta Maria Abbey**

The abbey which is located just outside Haddington, Edinburgh has now reopened to the general public. Visiting Nunraw Abbey you are able to join the community for Holy Mass, or just have a wander round and spend some time in private prayer. There is a guesthouse available should you wish to stay over, contact should be made by email (guesthouse@nunrawabbey.com) or by telephone (01620 670096 between the hours of 10am and 11:30 or 2:30pm until 4:30pm). As well as this the abbey shop and tea room will also be open. Watch this space for our first Parish outing to Nunraw in the coming months.

### **National Pilgrimage at Carfin Grotto**

The Bishops' Conference of Scotland invite you to the shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Carfin for the annual national pilgrimage. The event is in honour of St Joseph in this year of dedication to him. It takes place at 3pm on Sunday 5 September. All are welcome.

### **Justice & Peace Mass**

The Annual Archdiocesan Justice & Peace Mass takes place at 7:30pm on Monday 6 September at St Columba's, Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh (EH9 1SN). It marks the beginning of the Season of Creation and will be a chance to pray for the success of COP26. Refreshments will served after Mass. Register at [bit.ly/JusticeAndPeaceMass2021](http://bit.ly/JusticeAndPeaceMass2021)

### **Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**

This months Mass for Vocations will be at 6:30pm on Monday 6 September at St David's in Dalkeith, Edinburgh. Please join us if you can. May God continue to bless us with priests and religious to guide us in our faith.

### **Parish Pastoral Council Meeting**

The next meeting takes place this Wednesday 25th August. If you wish for the Council to discuss a matter on your behalf, please speak to one of the members Kathleen Paterson, Magdalena Orzegwydra, Michelle Glass (St PiC) Lisa Quinn, Dean McGuire (St J&C) Margaret Hall, Julie Sullivan (OLoL). Thank you.

Sunday 15th August 2021	<i>St Peter in Chains</i>	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i>	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>
Loose Plate	<b>£217.00</b>	<b>£141.00</b>	<b>£202.70</b>
Standing Orders	<b>£220.00</b>	<b>£415.25</b>	<b>£144.75</b>
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