

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 26th September 26th Sunday of the Year (Year B) (*live Streamed*)	9:30am	*St John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Christine Milligan (Special Int)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Bridie Burns (Spec Int)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Piotr Dziuba (RIP)
Monday 27th September Memorial of St Vincent de Paul	-	No Mass	-	-
Tuesday 28th September 26th Week in Ordinary Time (*live Streamed*)	11:30am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Funeral Mass	Brigid Hardie (RIP)
	<i>6:30pm</i>		<i>Confessions</i>	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Mary Close, Tom Cosgrove & Matthew Watson (Ann)
Wednesday 29th September Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	James Coyle (RIP)
Thursday 30th September Memorial of St Jerome	<i>6:30pm</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes	<i>Confessions</i>	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Maureen Dempster (Sick)
Friday 1st October Memorial of St Therese of the Child of Jesus	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Susan Stevenson (RIP)
Saturday 2nd October Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels (*Live Streamed*)	10:00am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Fr Joshua & Missionaries (Spec Int)
	<i>10:30am</i>		<i>Confessions</i>	
	<i>4:15pm</i> 5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil Mass	Majoric Pooley (RIP)
Sunday 3rd October 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) (*Live Streamed*)	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Piotr Dziuba (RIP)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Bobbie Robertson (RIP)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	The Sick of the Parish

PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

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Parish Safeguarding Officers
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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 26th September 2021

26th Sunday of the Year

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Reflection - Doing good in the name of Jesus

The disciples are on a steep learning curve as Jesus instructs them about what true discipleship is all about.

Last week, using a little child, Jesus tried to show them that real leadership is about putting aside our own needs for social status, self-importance, power and wealth and to give ourselves fully to the service of others.

But the disciples are slow learners. In this Sunday's Gospel, when they report that they tried to stop someone casting out devils in Jesus' name just because 'he was not one of us', they probably expected praise from Jesus. Instead, they got a rebuke.

True discipleship is not about holding the mystery of the Kingdom to our self, to dispense as we see fit, deciding who merits our love, concern and service, and who does not.

Both principal readings this weekend remind us that the mystery belongs to God who chooses and uses whomever God wills in the service of human beings and the kingdom. The true disciple needs to have the humility to see that he or she is simply one among many whom God has chosen. In the leadership of service there is no place for those who exult themselves or believe themselves to be holders of some privileged position with the power to control the mystery. And jealousy of others distorts God's intentions and compromises our efforts.

In the second part of the Gospel Jesus redirects the disciples' attention to the evil that may be found inside the Christian community. Bad example or exploitative behaviour can be a stumbling block to more vulnerable members of the community.

Such people stand in contrast to the 'man who is not one of us' but who is doing a good thing by using the name of Jesus to heal people – he is a 'true' but unknown disciple of Jesus. Those who claim to be true disciples may very well find themselves to be outsiders and excluded from the kingdom.

The graphic sayings are really an invitation for all would-be disciples to search their own hearts and to do the work of pruning away those things which stand in the way of being a true disciple.

Jesus shifts the emphasis from the good deeds of the outsider at the beginning of the reading, to the sinful actions of members of the community towards the end of the reading. Perhaps he is inviting the disciples, and us, to look at our own motivations and behaviour rather than to judge other people.

(Reflection taken and shared from Carmelites website Ocarm.org)

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

Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 18

R. The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. **(R)**
2. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. **(R)**
3. So in them your servant finds instruction; great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all his errors? From hidden faults acquit me. **(R)**
4. From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me. Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. **(R)**

Second Reading

James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

Acclamation

John 17

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

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

This Weeks News & Events

Covid-19 Parish Update

Please continue to sanitise your hands when you arrive for Holy Mass as well as wearing your face covering when inside the Church building (unless exempt). Out of common courtesy please leave a little distance from the person you are sitting next to. Any visitors to the Parish should give their details on arrival. The windows and doors will remain open to allow for additional ventilation.

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Ann Holder & Brigid Hardie who have died recently. Ann's Funeral Service will take place on Monday 27th September at 12:45pm at Kirkcaldy Crematorium. Brigid's Funeral Mass will be in St John & Columba's on Tuesday 28th September at 11:30am. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in Peace. Amen. May God continue to console and guide their families.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the children from St Margaret's and St John's Primary Schools who have made their First Holy Communion in the last couple of weeks. May they continue to be blessed and guided by our Lord Jesus in their faithful journey with him.

Sacramental Preparation

Those parents who wish to put forward their child for Sacramental Preparation must attend at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Aberdour Road at 10.30am and register their child with the Parish tutors this Sunday 26th September. Children should also come to meet with the tutors. This is to allow the Parish to purchase the necessary resources prior to the course starting. If you have any questions please contact Deacon Pat (details on the back page).

Our Lady of Lourdes Music Group

Calling all you wonderful singers of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, the music group who sing at the 11:30am Mass are looking for musicians and singers to join them. If praising God through song is something you particularly enjoy, please speak with Julie Sullivan (over where the music group sit) at the end of Mass for more information.

Archdiocesan Clergy Changes

Fr George Suszko has been called away by his superiors to work in the USA. He will leave the diocese around 15 October 2021. Fr James Cadman, from the Philippines, is appointed administrator to Hawick-Jedburgh-Kelso, effective 15 October; Fr Michael Adebajo is returning home at the request of his bishop to take up a new office in his home diocese; Fr Peter Owolabi, also from Nigeria, will replace Fr Michael as administrator in Blackburn & Stoneyburn, effective 28 September. We thank these men for answering God's call to serve in our Archdiocese.

Safeguarding Webinar

The Bishops of Scotland invite clergy, religious, church employees and volunteers across Scotland to a national safeguarding webinar at 11am on Saturday 2 October. It will be a chance to find out more about the safeguarding document In Gods Image v2 and reflect upon its implications for your safeguarding role. The link to register is: bit.ly/3gQRdPu. In God's Image V2 can be found at www.bcos.org.uk/Safeguarding

Praying for Life

you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Chalmers Sexual Health Centre, Chalmers Street, Edinburgh. For more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact edinburgh40days@gmail.com or visit www.40daysforlife.com/Edinburgh

St John & Columba's 200 Club

Congratulations to our 200 club winners for September. The winners were: 1st Prize– Jim Meade, 2nd Prize Kathleen Macintyre and 3rd Prize– Brian Neil. See Lisa Quinn after Mass if you would like to join the 200 club.

Sunday 19th September 2021	St Peter in Chains	Ss John & Columba's	Our Lady of Lourdes
Loose Plate	£136.27	£165.56	£381.61
Standing Orders	£220.00	£415.25	£144.75
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