DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 10th October	9:30am	*St John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Mike Holand (RIP)
28th Sunday of the Year (Year B) (*live Streamed*)	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Jimmy, Betty, Ben & Claire Ritchie (Ann)
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Monday 11th October 28th Week in Ordinary Time	-	No Mass	-	-
Tuesday 12th October	6:30pm	*Ss John & Columba's*	Confessions	
28th Week in Ordinary Time (*live Streamed*)	7.00pm		Holy Mass	Charles Glackin & Margaret Connelly (Ann)
Wednesday 13th October 28th Week in Ordinary Time	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Stella Morrison (RIP)
Thursday 14th October	6:30pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Confessions		
28th Week in Ordinary Time	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Piotr Dziuba (RIP)
Friday 15th October  Memorial of St Teresa of  Jesus	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Margaret McGregor (RIP)
Saturday 16th October	10:00am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Mary Cosgrove (RIP)
28th Week in Ordinary Time (*Live Streamed*)	10:30am		Confessions	
	4:15pm <b>5:00pm</b>	St Peter in Chains	Confessions Vigil Mass	Willie Davidson (Ann)
Sunday 17th October	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Michelle McConnell (RIP)
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) (*Live Streamed*)	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Anonymous Special Intention
( ==== )	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish

### PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

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

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

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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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Sunday 10th October 2021 28th Sunday of the Year (B)

## Reflection - Nothing is impossible for God!

In the Jewish tradition, wealth was seen as a blessing from God and the wealthy person as especially favoured by God. Along with the idea of divine blessing and favour came a divine obligation (often ignored) – the care of God's poor.

As the conversation between the rich man and Jesus unfolds, we see that he a good and upright man. The commandments which Jesus spells out are those to do with one's treatment of others.

These, the rich man says, he has always kept. Jesus' love and affection for the man recognises his very genuine efforts to live according to the commandments. This love ushers in the call to discipleship: 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' Jesus wants this man to be a follower of his. He is inviting him to move from a way of life centred on the Torah (Jewish law) to a way of life centred totally on Jesus.

When the man first approaches Jesus he asks what more he must do to inherit eternal life while still maintaining the present direction of his life. What Jesus is inviting him into is the total transformation of his life – to go in a new direction. Jesus is inviting him to an even more radical fulfilment of his obligations to neighbour by selling all he has, giving the proceeds to the poor, and then becoming a follower of Jesus.

Rather sadly, the rich man cannot take this step. He is trapped and controlled by his possessions and cannot let them go in order to enter into joyful and life-giving companionship with Jesus.

When Jesus talks about how hard it is for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God the disciples are astounded. They, too, think of wealth and possessions as a sign of God's favour and blessing. Jesus drives home his point by insisting that, 'It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' The disciples are even more astounded and conclude that if rich people can't make it into the kingdom, then what hope do the rest of us have?

Jesus' reply to the disciples tells us clearly that if we rely on human resources and means it is impossible to find salvation. But if we rely on God, then we can be saved the good and gracious God who gives the Kingdom as pure, unmerited gift.

Sometimes, the very things we love, in which we find our security and in which we place our trust can turn out to be our undoing and stumbling blocks on our journey into the kingdom.

Jesus' reply about God who can do the impossible is also a reassurance that God stands ready to journey with us, to help us find the way to move our hearts from reliance on ourselves and human resources to rely on God's love and companionship.

(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

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# **Scripture Readings & Responses**

<u>First Reading</u> Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 89

### R. Fill us with your love so that we may rejoice.

- 1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. (R)
- 2. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. (R)
- 3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R)

Second Reading Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

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Acclamation Matthew 11

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

<u>Gospel</u> Mark 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

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

## **This Weeks News & Events**

### **Covid-19 Parish Update**

Please continue so 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 curtesy please leave a little distance from the person you are sitting next to. Any visitors to the Parish should give their details on arrival however parishioners are not required to give their personal details to attend any of the Masses in the Parish. The windows and doors will remain open to allow for additional ventilation.

### **Our Lady of Lourdes Hall**

Effective immediately and until further notice the hall at Our Lady of Lourdes will remain closed. This is to allow a structural review to take place. Parishioners and any hall users are asked **not** to enter the hall at any time until the review has taken place. All key holders are kindly asked to return there keys as soon as possible to the Parish Office. Please remember that if you have a meeting or event, we have another hall at St Peter in Chains available. Please contact Kathleen Paterson who will be able to help.

### **Mothers Group**

The Mothers Prayers group will be meeting on Tuesday 26th October at 12.30pm. All mothers are very welcome to please join us. The group will meet thereafter at the same time every second Tuesday in Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

### **Archdiocesan Clergy Changes**

Rev. John Peter Sippai Siluvappan has been appointed Administrator of St Cuthbert's, Slateford, and Our Lady's, Currie, effective from Saturday 9 October. We pray for Fr John Peter at this time and all our Priests and Religious and ask God to remain with them in their ministry of serving his Holy Church.

### **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

### White Mass

A White Mass for doctors, nurses and all healthcare workers in Scotland in gratitude for their service throughout the Covid pandemic takes place at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, at midday on Sunday 17 October. All welcome.

### **Safeguarding Newsletter**

The latest edition of the Safeguarding Matters newsletter from the Bishop's Conference of Scotland is available at www.bcos.org.uk/safeguarding. As well as this Safeguarding the Catholic Church in Scotland is creating a new safeguarding agency. The Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (SCSSA) will operate entirely independently of the Church. Read more at https://archedinburgh.org/church-establishes-new-independent-safeguarding-agency/ or www.bcos.org.uk

### **SCIAF COP26 Guide**

SCIAF has produced a summary guide for COP26, the UN Climate change conference, which takes place in Glasgow from 31 October to 12 November. Find it at bit.ly/COP26Guide

### **Synod Mass**

Archbishop Leo will mark the beginning of the 2021-2023 synodal process with the celebration of Mass at 3pm on Sunday 17 October at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. All are welcome to come and pray for the success of the Synod journey. Find out more about the Synod at www.synod.va

Sunday 3rd October 2021  Thank you for your  generosity	St Peter in Chains	Ss John & Columba's	Our Lady of Lourdes
Loose Plate	£233.97	£138.50	£390.81
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