

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
<b>Sunday 23rd January</b> <i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i> <i>(*live Streamed)</i>	9:30am	*St John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Elizabeth Long (RIP)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Philip McLoughlin (RIP)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Sick of the Parish
<b>Monday 24th January</b> <i>Memorial of St Francis de Sales</i>	NO	MASS	CELEBRATED	TODAY
<b>Tuesday 25th January</b> <i>Feast of Conversion of St Paul</i> <i>(*live Streamed)</i>	6:30pm	*Ss John & Columba's	<i>Confessions</i>	Elizabeth Long (RIP)
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	
<b>Wednesday 26th January</b> <i>Memorial of St Timothy &amp; St Titus</i>	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	John Nicholson (RIP)
<b>Thursday 27th January</b> <i>3rd Week in Ordinary Time</i>	11:00am	St Peter in Chains	<b>Funeral Mass</b>	Elizabeth Long (RIP)
	7:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Betty Blaney & Peter Wainright (Ann)
<b>Friday 28th January</b> <i>Memorial of St Thomas Aquinas</i>	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	No Intention Requested
<b>Saturday 29th January</b> <i>3rd Week in Ordinary Time</i> <i>(*Live Streamed*)</i>  <i>Vigil of the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	10:00am	*Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	No Intention Requested
	10:30am		<i>Confessions</i>	
	4:15pm	St Peter in Chains	<i>Confessions</i>	People of the Parish
	5:00pm		Holy Mass	
<b>Sunday 30th January</b> <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>(*Live Streamed*)</i>	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Sick of the Parish
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Robert Smith (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: maryolol@btinternet.com) general enquiries only.  
**Parish Assistant & 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)

#### Marriages & Baptisms

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 23rd January 2022 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

## Reflection - Homecoming

Homecomings can turn out to be very mixed events. Initial warmth and welcome can turn, surprisingly quickly, to doubt, antagonism and rejection.

In the Gospels for this Sunday and next, Luke tells the story of Jesus' visit to his hometown of Nazareth.

Before that story begins, however, the Church has included the very first lines of Luke's Gospel in today's reading. Here Luke explains, in classical literary fashion, what the purpose of his writings is: to offer an authentic and ordered account of the Christian movement, designed to give Theophilus firm reassurance about the things he has been taught.

After this introduction the first part of the story of Jesus' homecoming follows. We will hear the second part in next week's Gospel.

Following his temptation in the wilderness, Jesus returns to Galilee, the region in which he had grown up. He sets about teaching in the synagogues, winning many admirers.

Eventually, Jesus appears in his hometown of Nazareth and attends synagogue on the Sabbath as he usually did. He does the second reading of the synagogue service - the reading from the Prophets, in this case from the prophet Isaiah.

What Jesus reads out becomes an explanation of his mission and ministry. In the Spirit of the Lord, with which Jesus has been anointed, he will bring good news to the poor, liberty to captives, new sight to the blind, freedom to the downtrodden and proclaim a year of the Lord's favour.

The essential good news that Jesus preaches and enacts is of God's acceptance and welcome (not judgement) of the people who find themselves bound, trapped and afflicted.

Here Jesus sets the pattern not only for his own life and ministry, but also for those who would wish to follow him. We, too, anointed by the Spirit, are called to be God's acceptance, welcome and freedom for all who are bound, trapped or afflicted in their lives.

In the broader context of Luke's Gospel, this message is not to be reduced to metaphor. It is about giving real help for all who are struggling in one way or another with the concrete situations of their lives.

(Reflection taken and shared with permission 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

Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, ‘Amen! Amen!’ Then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read. Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe, and the Levites who were instructing the people, said to all the people, ‘This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.’ For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law. He then said, ‘Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.’

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

## Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 18

**R. Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.**

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 precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. ( R )
3. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. ( R )
4. May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! ( R )

## Second Reading

Corinthians 1 12:12-30

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink. Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. If the foot were to say, ‘I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body’, would that mean that it stopped being part of the body? If the ear were to say, ‘I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body’, would that mean that it was not a part of the body? If your whole body was just one eye, how would you hear anything? If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything? Instead of that, God put all the separate parts into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body? As it is, the parts are many but the body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I do not need you’, nor can the head say to the feet, ‘I do not need you.’ What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part may be equally concerned for all the others. If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it. If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it. Now you together are Christ’s body; but each of you is a different part of it. In the Church, God has given the first place to apostles, the second to prophets, the third to teachers; after them, miracles, and after them the gift of healing; helpers, good leaders, those with many languages. Are all of them apostles, or all of them prophets, or all of them teachers? Do they all have the gift of miracles, or all have the gift of healing? Do all speak strange languages, and all interpret them?

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

## Acclamation

Luke 4

**Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives. Alleluia!**

## Gospel

Luke 1:1-4,4:14-21

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received. Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him. He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written: The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord’s year of favour. He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, ‘This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.’

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

# This Weeks News & Events

## **Covid-19 Parish Update**

With an increase in Covid cases 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). 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. Please **do not** attend Holy Mass if you do have symptoms of Covid-19 and follow public health advice.

## **For Your Prayers**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Elizabeth Long RIP, who has died recently. Elizabeth’s Funeral Mass will take place at 11:00am on Thursday 27th January in St Peter in Chains Church. Her committal will then take place at St Bridget’s Dalgety Bay at 12 noon. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in Peace. Amen. May God continue to console and guide her family and reward her with eternal life in his heavenly kingdom.

## **Parish Confirmations**

Could the parents/guardians of any children in the Parish who attend a Non Catholic School and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation please make contact with Deacon Pat as soon as possible. This is to discuss sacramental preparation for your child/children. Please email Deacon Pat on obl.columba@gmail.com please include a phone number so contact can be made with you. Confirmations will take place on Sunday 24th April in Our Lady of Lourdes. His Grace Archbishop Cushley will be the main celebrant for this wonderful occasion.

## **The Knights of St Columba’s**

The Knights would like to thank Father Joshua for saying mass in St Peter in Chains on Saturday. This also included Mike McCourt’s admission into the order. The Knights would also like to convey their thanks to Kathleen and her team for putting on a lovely tea afterwards.

## **Archdiocesan Directory**

Please add your name to the list at the back of the Church if you would like a copy. Price is still to be confirmed but this is a good way to support the Archdiocese and is a handy guide to have.

## **St. Margaret's RC Church Toddlers Group**

St. Margaret's Toddler Group which previously ran every Friday morning in the crypt 10am-11.30am hasn't resumed since pre lockdown. We are looking for someone to take over the running of the group & set it back up. The toddlers storage cupboard is fully equipped with toys, books, bean bags, arts n crafts, tables & chairs for snack time, and the toddlers kitchen cupboard is equipped with plates, bowls etc. So the group is all ready to go, we just need a few members to help run it, and toddlers to attend. Please get in touch if you are interested or would like any further information please email cryptcustodian@gmail.com or call 07706 083493. Thank you.

## **A Date for the Diary - Deanery Synodal Meeting**

Pope Francis invites the whole Church to question itself on synodality, a decisive theme for the life and mission of the Church. This is a time for everyone to be involved and work together for the greater good of God’s Holy Church. There will be a preparatory holy hour on Tuesday 1st March in St Margaret’s Memorial Church, Dunfermline at 7pm. The Synodal meeting itself will take place on Tuesday 8th March at 7pm in St Margaret’s. Find out more about the Synod process in our Archdiocese online by visiting bit.ly/ArchYouTube

## **Diploma in Catechetics**

Get ready to explore the richness and depth of the Catholic faith from the Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh. A range of guest speakers bring you online lectures with guided reading, one-to-one support, retreats and supplementary courses on Zoom and YouTube. Classes start from 27th January and finish 8th December each Tuesday at 7.30pm on zoom. The cost is £200 (£150 for students) for the entire year but reductions and bursaries are readily available for anyone in any kind of need. Email sranna.marie@staned.org.uk for information. People can register simply through Eventbrite: bit.ly/DiplomaCatechetics2022

Sunday 16th January 2022 <i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	<i>St Peter in Chains Inverkeithing</i>	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's Rosyth</i>	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes Dunfermline</i>
Loose Plate	<b>£238.00</b>	<b>£83.00</b>	<b>£379.65 (£418.83 last week)</b>
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