

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 2nd January <i>Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord</i> <i>(*live Streamed*)</i>	9:00am	*St John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Valentine Uchegbu (Spec Int)
	10:15am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	All Mothers Prayers
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Valentine Uchegbu (Spec Int)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 3rd January <i>Weekday of Christmas Time</i>	NO	MASS	CELEBRATED	TODAY
Tuesday 4th January <i>Weekday of Christmas Time</i> <i>(*live Streamed*)</i>	6:30pm	*Ss John & Columba's*	Confessions	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Therese Allcock (Ann)
Wednesday 5th January <i>Weekday of Christmas Time</i>	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Francesca Burke (Ann)
Thursday 6th January <i>Weekday of Christmas Time</i>	7:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Valentine Uchegbu (Spec Int)
Friday 7th January <i>Weekday in Christmas Time</i>	9:45am	St Peter in Chains	Funeral Mass	John Molloy (RIP)
Saturday 8th January <i>Weekday in Christmas Time</i> <i>(*Live Streamed*)</i>	10:00am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Erick Allcock (Ann)
	10:30am		Confessions	
<i>Vigil of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord</i>	4:15pm	St Peter in Chains	Confessions	
	5:00pm		Holy Mass	Tamara Plavinskaya (RIP)
Sunday 9th January <i>Feast of the Baptism of the Lord</i> <i>(*Live Streamed*)</i>	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's*	Holy Mass	Valentine Uchegbu (Spec Int)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Valentine Uchegbu (Spec Int)
	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish

PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

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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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 Most Holy Trinity.
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 Sunday 2nd January 2022
 Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord*

Reflection

Reflecting on the historical birth of Jesus, the Church proclaims the truth that God is, and has always been, with his people. And if God is with us, then God is for us.

God is on our side. God has no desire to live in houses made of wood, stone or gold. God's deepest desire is to live in human flesh. Just as God did that in the human flesh of Jesus Christ a long time ago, God continues to do so now in us.

Like Mary, we accept God's invitation, allowing Jesus to become flesh in us, too; to be seen and experienced in good thoughts, good words and good actions, in deeds of

loving
 kindness
 which
 bring life,
 not death,
 to God's
 people.



(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

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples. Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness. Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and your daughters being tenderly carried. At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you, the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 71

R. All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

1. O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement. (R)
2. In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds. (R)
3. The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute. The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts. Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him. (R)
4. For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor. (R)

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Jesus Christ, through the gospel.

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Acclamation

Matthew 2

Alleluia, alleluia! We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him 'for this is what the prophet wrote: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.' Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward, and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

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

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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.

Message From Fr Joshua

Now that the festivities of Christmas Day have passed I hope that you all had a happy and safe time with those closest to you. Last week we had so many wonderful and spiritual services in our churches and I wish to convey my heartfelt thanks to all who made these services possible. To Deacon Pat for his spiritual assistance, the Sacristans, Musicians/Singers, Alter Servers, Flower Arrangers, Cleaners and all those behind the scenes, without these wonderful people our Churches and services would not have been as beautiful as they were. To those who gave me cards and gifts I offer my thanks and gratitude for these. As we now move forward I sent you all my prayers and blessings for a happy, holy and safe 2022.

Fr Joshua

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Molloy who has died recently. John's Funeral Mass will take place on Friday 7th January in St Peter in Chains at 9:45am. His committal will then be at Hillend Cemetery at 11am. 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.

Mass Intentions

When completing a mass intention envelope we kindly ask you to clearly print the name of the person(s) you are requesting the mass to be said for. In the last couple of weeks there has been a few requests where it has been extremely hard to make out the name. This ensures that the newsletter has the name printed correctly and it also assists Fr Joshua when he is announcing it at Mass. Thank you.

Special Collection

A special collection was taken in the Parish for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) white flower collection. The total of £704.00 has been raised from the three Churches and will be sent to SPUC on your behalf. Many thanks for your contribution.

SSVDP Christmas Collection - Our Lady of Lourdes

The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to say a very big thank you to parishioners for your extreme generosity and kindness with the many Christmas donations received this year. A special mention also goes to the pupils, staff and parents, at St Margaret's and St Columba's schools. The generosity with the amount of donations was gratefully received and has been delivered to people and families in need.

Restoration of Sunday Obligation

The Bishops of Scotland have decided that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy days of Obligation will not be reinstated at this time. Their pastoral letter can be read at bcos.org.uk

2021 Reflection from Archbishop Cushley

As we move forward into 2022 His Grace the Archbishop shares a reflection on some of the things that happened in the previous year. This can be found online at <https://archedinburgh.org/archbishop-bishop-cushley-reflects-on-2021/> Please have a read if you can.

24th/25th/26th December 2021 <i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	<u>St Peter in Chains Inverkeithing</u>	<u>Ss John & Columba's Rosyth</u>	<u>Our Lady of Lourdes Dunfermline</u>
Loose Plate	£274.09	£599.50	£745.66
Building Fund		£35.50	
Standing Orders	£220.00	£415.25	£144.75
Bank Account Details	RBS A/C No: 00600297 Sort Code: 833300	RBS A/C No: 00114865 Sort Code: 832339	RBS A/C No: 00249131 Sort Code: 833300