

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 30th January <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i> <i>(*live Streamed)</i>	9:30am	*St John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Anna Jack (Spec Int)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Robert Smith (Ann)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Denis Sullivan (Ann)
Monday 31st January <i>Memorial of St Bosco</i>	NO	MASS	CELEBRATED	TODAY
Tuesday 1st February <i>4th Week in Ordinary Time</i> <i>(*live Streamed)</i>	6:30pm	*Ss John & Columba's	<i>Confessions</i>	No Intention Requested
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	
Wednesday 2nd February <i>Feast of the Presentation of the Lord</i>	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Elizabeth Long (RIP)
Thursday 3rd February <i>4th Week in Ordinary Time</i>	7:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Elizabeth Long (RIP)
Friday 4th February <i>4th Week in Ordinary Time</i>	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Margaret Seymour (Ann)
Saturday 5th February <i>Memorial of St Agatha</i> <i>(*Live Streamed)</i> <i>Vigil of the 5th 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>	Francis & Margaret Larkin (Ann)
	5:00pm		Holy Mass	
Sunday 6th February <i>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i> <i>(*Live Streamed)</i>	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	James Meade Snr (Ann)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	James Scullion & Helen Stevens (Ann)
	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Frank O'Donnell (Ann)

PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

Parish Administrator - Fr Joshua Kauras, (email: admin@catholicswife.com)
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Parish Secretary – Mary Irvine (email: marylol@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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**Sunday 30th January 2022
 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

Reflection - Homecoming 2

This Sunday's Gospel continues Luke's story of Jesus' visit to his hometown. The warmth, welcome and approval with which Jesus was initially greeted soon turns into an ugly scene.

Last week, in the synagogue in Nazareth Jesus announced his mission quoting the words of the Old Testament prophet Isaiah. He comes as God's anointed one, filled with the Spirit, to proclaim good news to the poor, liberty to captives, new sight to the blind; to set the downtrodden free and to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

Now, at first astonished by 'the gracious words that came from his lips', the people can hardly believe that this message of welcome and acceptance by God could be coming from the boy they watched grow up. He is beginning to sound like a prophet, but, 'This is Joseph's son, surely?'

Jesus accuses them of wanting him to play the prophet for their benefit: to stay in Nazareth and do miracles and wonders just for them, like some kind of local magician.

The townspeople cannot recognise or respond to God's word spoken in Jesus. Certain that they know exactly who Jesus is, they cannot hear the message and believe in him.

Using examples from the lives of the prophets Elijah and Elisha Jesus makes plain that God's offer of salvation is not restricted just to them, nor indeed, even to Israelites. Neither the widow nor Naaman are Israelites. God's love is unconditional and meant for all.

The people are so enraged that they want to kill him, but Jesus slips away to continue his journey according to God's plan.

This whole episode reminds us that God's offer of hospitality and welcome to us cannot be treated just as lovely words, nor God as some kind of personal wonderworker.

It is as though the Nazarenes thought that they had God, Jesus and his message neatly worked out and arranged for their sole benefit. It was a kind of superficial response - 'What's in it for us?'

Jesus brings these thoughts out into the open because the salvation he brings cannot rest just on the surface. It is meant to touch, explore and heal the depths of human beings. That is the journey of conversion.

(Reflection taken and shared with permission from Carmelites website Ocarum.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

JEREMIAH 1:4-5,17-19

In the days of Josiah, the word of the Lord was addressed to me, saying: ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you; I have appointed you as prophet to the nations. ‘So now brace yourself for action. Stand up and tell them all I command you. Do not be dismayed at their presence, or in their presence I will make you dismayed. ‘I, for my part, today will make you into a fortified city, a pillar of iron, and a wall of bronze to confront all this land: the kings of Judah, its princes, its priests and the country people. They will fight against you but shall not overcome you, for I am with you to deliver you – it is the Lord who speaks.’

The Word of the Lord– Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 70

R. *My lips will tell of your help.*

1. In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your justice rescue me, free me: pay heed to me and save me. (R)
2. Be a rock where I can take refuge, a mighty stronghold to save me; for you are my rock, my stronghold. Free me from the hand of the wicked. (R)
3. It is you, O Lord, who are my hope, my trust, O Lord, since my youth. On you I have leaned from my birth, from my mother’s womb you have been my help. (R)
4. My lips will tell of your justice and day by day of your help. O God, you have taught me from my youth and I proclaim your wonders still. (R)

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 12:31-13:13

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them. If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever. Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people’s sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. Love does not come to an end. But if there are gifts of prophecy, the time will come when they must fail; or the gift of languages, it will not continue for ever; and knowledge – for this, too, the time will come when it must fail. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophesying is imperfect; but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will disappear. When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and think like a child, and argue like a child, but now I am a man, all childish ways are put behind me. Now we are seeing a dim reflection in a mirror; but then we shall be seeing face to face. The knowledge that I have now is imperfect; but then I shall know as fully as I am known. In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord– Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION

JOHN 14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one can come to the father except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

LUKE 4:21-30

Jesus began to speak in the synagogue: ‘This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.’ And he won the approval of all, and they were astonished by the gracious words that came from his lips. They said, ‘This is Joseph’s son, surely?’ But he replied, ‘No doubt you will quote me the saying, “Physician, heal yourself” and tell me, “We have heard all that happened in Capernaum, do the same here in your own countryside.”’ And he went on, ‘I tell you solemnly, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country. ‘There were many widows in Israel, I can assure you, in Elijah’s day, when heaven remained shut for three years and six months and a great famine raged throughout the land, but Elijah was not sent to any one of these: he was sent to a widow at Zarephath, a Sidonian town. And in the prophet Elisha’s time there were many lepers in Israel, but none of these was cured, except the Syrian, Naaman.’ When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him down the cliff, but he slipped through the crowd and walked away.

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.

Fr Joshua’s Holiday

Fr Joshua will be taking a holiday from the 8th February until 22nd March. Please see the inserted letter which has further information.

Congratulations

A warm congratulations is offered to Lisa Quinn, Ann Neil and Mike McCourt from the Parish who have graduated and gained a diploma in Catechists. All of the hard work you have put in to gain a deeper understanding of your faith has been well worth it. Well done from everyone in the Parish.

Annual Safeguarding Statement

A statement will be read out at the end of all masses this weekend. Please give this your full attention. If you have any questions regarding safeguarding in the Parish please speak to Patricia Watt (PiC); Lisa Quinn (J&C); Jane Imrie & Margaret Hall (OLOL). There is further information and useful links on our website if you need any other information.

Parish Newsletter Requests

A reminder that items that anyone would like to be considered for inclusion should be sent to the following email address mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com. This ensures it is received by the Newsletter Coordinator and any questions that may need clarified can be done prior to the printing of the newsletter. Thank you.

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.

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

Events for Married & Engaged Couples

The Archdiocese is hosting events for married and engaged couples in the lead-up to the 10th World Meeting of Families (Rome 22-26 June 2022). These events are for couples to come before the Lord together in reflection on the beautiful Catholic vision of marriage and family life, thanksgiving for the gift of this calling and prayer for the blessing of their love. The events are as follows, Sunday 6 March 2022, 4.00-5.00pm - Holy Hour with Archbishop Leo Cushley. Sunday 3 April, Testimony and Holy Hour with Anton and Angela Colella. Sunday 8 May, 3pm - 5.30pm - Afternoon Retreat with Brian and Maureen Devine. These three events will be held at Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. On Wednesday 18 May a Mass for Married and Engaged Couples will take place in St Mary’s Cathedral, Edinburgh at 7.00pm. Register for these events at bit.ly/ArchEventbrite

Sunday 24th January 2022 <i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>Inverkeithing</i>	<i>Ss John & Columba’s</i> <i>Rosyth</i>	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <i>Dunfermline</i>
Loose Plate	£169.39	£123.00	£489.11
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