| DATE | TIME | CHURCH | LITURGICAL ACT | INTENTION |
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| Sunday 22nd May 6th Sunday of Easter (C) (*live Streamed) | 9:30am | *St John & Columba's | Holy Mass | Christopher Wilson (RIP) |
| | 11:30am | Our Lady of Lourdes | Holy Mass | 'The Wee Followers' |
| | | | | First Holy Communion |
| | 5:00pm | Our Lady of Lourdes | Holy Mass | Cathy Burns (RIP) |
| Monday 23rd May Weekday in the | NO | MASS | CELBRATED | TODAY |
| Octave of Easter | | | | |
| Tuesday 24th May | 6:30pm | *Ss John & Columba's | Rosary & | |
| Weekday in the Octave of easter | | | Confessions | |
| (*Live Streamed) | 7:00pm | | Holy Mass | Cathy Burns (RIP) |
| Wednesday 25th May | 10:00am | St Peter in Chains | Holy Mass | Canon Pat McHugh |
| Weekday in the | | | , | (Spec Int) |
| Octave of Easter | | | | |
| Thursday 26th May Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) | 10:00am | Ss John & Columba's | Holy Mass | Christopher Wilson (RIP) |
| | 7:00pm | Our Lady of Lourdes | Holy Mass | People of the Parish |
| Friday 27th May | 9:30am | St Peter in Chains | Rosary & | |
| Weekday in the | | | Confessions | |
| Octave of Easter | 10:00am | | Holy Mass | Christopher Wilson (RIP) |
| Saturday 28th May Weekday in the Octave of Easter | 12:00pm | Our Lady of Lourdes | Wedding Mass | Emeka Ebelechukwu & Chioma Obianuji |
| | 4:15pm | | Confessions | |
| Vigil of the 7th Sunday of Easter (C) | 5:00pm | St Peter in Chains | Holy Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sunday 29th May 7th Sunday of Easter (C) (*Live Streamed) | 9:30am | *Ss John & Columba's | Holy Mass | People of the Parish |
| | 11:30am | Our Lady of Lourdes | Holy Mass | Sick of the Parish |
| | 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 lis

Names can only be added by the person themselves or by a member of the family. Please advise the Parish Office.

Mass Intention

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 post through the door of the presbytery at Our Lady of Lourdes, or given to the Priest.

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Sunday 22nd May 2022 Sixth Sunday of Easter (C)

Reflection - - Remembering & Making Present

Our reading of The Farewell Discourse in John's Gospel (13:31-17:26) continues in the Gospel for today as Jesus makes a number of promises to the disciples.

The opening words say that those who love Jesus will keep his word. This is not like keeping road rules. It is about allowing the word of Jesus to form our hearts and shape our lives. Throughout John's Gospel the word that Jesus speaks is about his boundless affection for the Father and the disciples.

Another favourite theme of John is that, just as the Father and Jesus abide together in love, they will also come to abide in the heart of the disciple. It is this bond of love that creates the 'dwelling place' for God in the heart of the disciple. There is no separation from the Father; the disciple does not need to look to a heavenly place in order to experience the presence of God.

Jesus promises that the Father will send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to help the disciples 'remember', that is, to understand more deeply the words and actions of Jesus, especially his death and resurrection. This remembering will make Jesus present to them.

Abiding in the love of Jesus and the Father brings a peace that cannot otherwise be found in this world, so the disciples have no need to be afraid of the future, not even the impending departure of Jesus. In fact, if they are already truly abiding in the presence of God and Jesus in their hearts, why should his physical departure disturb them?

Jesus does not speak these words in the sense of foretelling the future, but rather to prepare the disciples for their daily 'remembering' of, and making present, his words and actions in their own lives.

This Gospel begs us ask ourselves if we are truly people who remember Jesus and allow his Spirit to shape our words, thoughts and actions so that he may remain present to us and to those around us.

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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

FIRST READING ACTS 15:1-2,22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders. Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them: 'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 66

R. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

- 1. O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. (R)
- 2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. (R)
- 3. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. (R)

SECOND READING APOCALYPSE 21:10-14,22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION JOHN 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him'. Alleluia!

GOSPEL JOHN 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

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

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This Weeks News & Events

Holy Communion - Congratulations

Please offer your warmest wishes and congratulations to the children from Our Lady of Lourdes Church and St Margaret's Primary School who made their First Holy Communion yesterday in Our Lady of Lourdes. May the children now having received Our Blessed Lord be filled with his grace and mercy all the days of their lives!

First Holy Communion - The Wee Followers

Please remember in your prayers the 'wee followers' of the parish will then make their First Holy Communion at the 11:30am mass in Our Lady of Lourdes today. A number of pews will be reserved for the families of the children, please bear this in mind when taking your place at mass. We continue to pray for the children that as they receive the blessed sacrament they be nourished by our Blessed Lord.

First Holy Communion - St Johns Primary School

The children from St John's Primary School will make their first Holy Communion on Saturday 11th June in Ss John & Columba's Church. Please continue to pray for the pupils as they prepare for this special occasion where they will receive Our Blessed Lord for the first time.

Ascension of the Lord - Holy Day of Obligation

Please note that this coming Thursday (26th May) is the Ascension of the Lord and is a Holy Day of Obligation and we are required to attend church on this day. The celebration of Holy Mass will take place at 10am in Ss John & Columba's and 7pm in Our Lady of Lourdes. Please make every effort to attend if you are able to.

Weekday Mass Cancellation - Saturday 28th May

Please note that the 10am morning mass in Ss John & Columba's will not take place next Saturday. This is due to the wedding that is taking place in Our Lady of Lourdes with Fr Joshua being the main celebrant.

Special Collection - Next Weekend

Please note that there will be a special collection next weekend for Communications Sunday. Please support this collection if you are able to. Thank you.

Celebration of Holy Matrimony

Your prayers are asked for Emeka Ebelechukwu and Chioma Obianuji who will be married at 12 noon next Saturday in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. May Almighty God consecrate their marriage bringing them together as husband and wife. We wish them well as they prepare for their special day.

St Peter in Chains Grotto

It has been decided that a grotto is to be erected at St Peter in chains Church. The grotto will be located in the space between the church and the hall. A statue of St Anthony has already been purchased and the preparation of the ground where the grotto will be situated will begin very soon. If you would like to make a donation towards the grotto please see Kathleen Paterson.

Parish Day Pilgrimage - Santa Maria Abbey, Haddington

We are looking to have our first parish pilgrimage since the pandemic, this will take place on Saturday 10th September travelling to Santa Maria Abbey in Haddington just outside Edinburgh. We would look to leave parish around 11am returning at around 4pm (Times to be confirmed). The plan is to arrange a tour of the abbey and then celebrate holy mass (Fr Joshua will travel with the group). There will be time for a bite to eat in the café and a browse around the shop. To gauge appetite for this trip (and look at a cost for a bus) please add your name to the back the list at the back of the church from this weekend. Email mhtnewsletter@gmail.com with any questions you may have. This is a good opportunity to come together as one parish. Costings for the trip will be provided once we have an idea of numbers. There has been a lot of interest in the trip from the three churches so if you have not signed up please do so now. We will leave the sheets out for a further two weeks.

| Sunday 15th May 2022 | St Peter in Chains | Ss John & Columba's | Our Lady of Lourdes |
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| Thank you for your generosity | <u>Inverkeithing</u> | <u>Rosyth</u> | <u>Dunfermline</u> |
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