

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 7th August <i>18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i> <i>(*live Streamed)</i>	9:30am	*St John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Ann Duffy (Spec Int)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	John Forte (RIP)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Susan Wilson (Ann)
Monday 8th August <i>Memorial of St Dominic</i>	NO	MASS	CELEBRATED	TODAY
Tuesday 9th August <i>Feast of St Teresa</i> <i>Benedicta of the Cross</i>	6:30pm	*Ss John & Columba's	<i>Divine Mercy & Confessions</i>	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	William Miller (RIP)
Wednesday 10th August <i>Feast of St Lawrence</i>	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Funeral Mass	Kenneth McKay (RIP)
Thursday 11th August <i>Memorial of St Claire</i>	12:00pm	Ss John & Columba's	Funeral Mass	William Miller (RIP)
	7:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Barbara Horvath (RIP)
Friday 12th August <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am	St Peter in Chains	<i>Rosary & Confessions</i>	
	10:00am		Holy Mass	Maureen Meade (Spec Int)
Saturday 13th August <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Vigil of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9:30am	Ss John & Columba's	<i>Rosary & Confessions</i>	
	10:00am		Holy Mass	Stella Morrison (RIP)
	4:15pm 5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	<i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	Charles Gallagher & Belcruit Co'Donegal (RIP)
Sunday 14th August <i>Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>(*Live Streamed)</i>	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Josephine Duffy (Ann)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Marion Kelly (RIP)
	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish

PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

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Parish Secretary – Mary Irvine (email: maryiol@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 & Karen Parker (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 post through the door of the presbytery at Our Lady of Lourdes, or given to the Priest.

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Parish Newsletter.

Sunday 7th August 2022
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Reflection - Be Prepared, Remaining Faithful

Sometimes in life we find ourselves captivated by a particular cause or project and devote great enthusiasm and passion to it. As time goes on, however, we can find that our enthusiasm fades and our passion cools. Other things begin to take priority.

Like last week's Gospel, being prepared and remaining faithful is the focus of this week's Gospel passage.

Storing up treasure in the sight of God is good preparation. Hoarding your possessions into ever bigger barns is not.

To stand ready is to be open to the Lord's coming. Being dressed for action with lamps lit and ready to open the door to him, is the antidote to focussing too much on material possessions, status and power. The faithful servants who are ready when the master returns are remarkably blessed by the master who will, himself, sit them down and wait on them. A classic reversal of traditional roles.

Luke's community (and other early Christians) were slowly growing used to the idea that the second coming of Jesus, which they had felt would happen 'any day now', seemed to be delayed. Problems were emerging in the community as officials and others seemed to be 'going off the boil'. Hence, the words about 'standing ready', 'busy at his employment', 'having lamps lit' and being 'dressed for action'.

The parable about the servants is a call to remain faithful and in a state of readiness for the master's return.

The parable begs the question, 'How are the disciples to behave between the two comings of Jesus?' Like homeowners, we need to be alert and on the lookout for the presence of Jesus.

While the text is about the final return of Jesus, we can also think about being alert and watchful for the moments when the presence of Jesus suddenly breaks into our lives - in a sick friend, a beggar on the street, a person in need, a moment of prayer or reflection.

As believers we want to do everything we can to build up the community, the living Body of Christ in our world, and allow the Gospel to transform our lives – which is seen in our closeness to God and in good actions which serve others.

(Reflection shared with permission from Carmelites website Ocarm.org)

The Parish Clergy

Parish Administrator:

Fr. Joshua Kauras

Parish Deacon

(Permanent):

Rev. Pat Carrigan

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

WISDOM 18:6-9

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 32

R. Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. (R)
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R)
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R)

SECOND READING

HEBREWS 11:1-2,8-19

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended. It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God. It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore. All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them. It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead; and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

The Word of the Lord— Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION

Matthew 11:25

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

GOSPEL

LUKE 12:32-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom. 'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. 'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.' Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming," and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful. The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

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

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This Weeks News & Events

Sacrament of Baptism

Please keep in your prayers Finlay McBride, Ella McCran, Ella Bertram and Marcus Henderson who will be baptised this week into our faith. Through the waters of baptism may the all share in Christ's everlasting joy and reward of eternal life as they continue with our Blessed Lord on their journey of faith in his holy name.

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kenneth McKay RIP, who has died recently. Kenneth's Funeral Mass will take place at 10am on Wednesday 10th August in St Peter in Chains. Kenneth's committal will then take place at 11:30am at Dunfermline Crematorium. 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 Kenneth's family and reward him with eternal life.

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of William Miller RIP, who has died recently. William's Funeral Mass will take place at 12 noon on Thursday 11th August in Ss John & Columba's. William's committal will then take place at 1:30pm at Culross Cemetery. 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 William's family and reward him with eternal life.

Our Lady of Lourdes Hall

If there is anyone in the parish or knows any groups that previously used the hall that may still have items to collect. Please make contact with the parish office to arrange collection. Thank you.

Donation Acknowledgement

Fr Joshua on behalf of the parish would like to thank the person who gave a generous donation to Ss John & Columba's of £400. This is gratefully received and will help care for the Church going forward. Thank you again.

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr Joshua will meet with the Parish Council on Wednesday 17th August. If you have anything you would like discussed please see a member of the council in any of the churches who can raise this on your behalf. A list of council members can be found on the parish website.

Our lady of Lourdes SSVDP - Senior Citizen Summer Event

Senior Citizens are invited to afternoon tea at the Glen Pavilion at 2-4pm next Wednesday 10th August. An opportunity to meet up with fellow parishioners or get to know some of those you may not yet know. All are welcome. For further information please see Margaret Wallace at OLoL.

Parish Day Trip to Nunraw Abbey, Haddington (Extra Spaces Available)

Due to more people expressing an interest in joining us for our parish day trip on Saturday 11th September we have managed to get a slightly bigger coach for the journey. We will be leaving the parish at 10am and returning at 3pm. There is only 5 spaces available to if you would like to come along please see, Kathleen Paterson (St PiC), Lisa Quinn (Ss J&C) or Margaret Hall (OLoL) as soon as possible. The cost for return coach travel is £10 per person.

Fundraising for the Parish

Many of you will know our know our Parish Assistant & Newsletter Coordinator Dean McGuire who works away in the background in the Parish. Dean will be taking part in not one but **TWO** of Scotland's Kiltwalks. On the 11th August he will walk 11 miles taking part in the 'big stroll' in Dundee before madly embarking on the 'mighty stride' which is 24 miles in Edinburgh's Kiltwalk on the 18th September. Sponsor forms are available at the back of all the churches should you wish to donate. All money raised will be given to the parish to assist in it's running. Thank you.

Festival Mass

His Grace Archbishop Leo Cushley will celebrate the Festival Mass at St Mary's Cathedral at midday on Sunday 21st August, followed by a reception in Coffee Saints café. All are welcome.

Sunday 31st July 2022 <i>Thank you for your generosity</i>	<u>St Peter in Chains</u> <u>Inverkeithing</u>	<u>Ss John & Columba's</u> <u>Rosyth</u>	<u>Our Lady of Lourdes</u> <u>Dunfermline</u>
Loose Plate	£286.61	£492.00	£362.86
Building Fund		£41.50	
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