DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 28th August 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)	9:30am	*St John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Sophiana Motayo & Fr Mark McAllister (Special Intention)
(*live Streamed)	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Simon & Patsy Walsh (Ann)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Robert McDonald & Christopher Burtenshaw (RIP)
Monday 29th August Memorial of the Passion of St John the Baptist	NO	MASS	CELBRATED	TODAY
Tuesday 30th August Weekday in Ordinary Time	6:30pm	*Ss John & Columba's	Divine Mercy & Confessions	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	William Miller (RIP)
Wednesday 31st August Weekday in Ordinary Time	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Katherine Craig (Sick) & Bobbie Robertson (Ann)
Thursday 1st September Weekday in Ordinary Time	6:30pm 7:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Rosary & Confessions	
	7.00pm		Holy Mass	Ann Holder & Bobbie Robertson (Ann)
Friday 2nd September	9:30am	St Peter in Chains	Rosary	
Weekday in Ordinary Time	10:00am		Holy Mass	Dorathy Hiscock (RIP)
Saturday 3rd September  Memorial of St Gregory  the Great	9:30am	Ss John & Columba's	Rosary & Confessions	
	10:00am		Holy Mass	Irena Smith (RIP)
Vigil of the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)	4:15pm 5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Confessions Holy Mass	Sick of the Parish
Sunday 4th September 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Irena Smith (RIP)
(*Live Streamed)	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Irena Barcik (RIP)

#### PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

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Parish Deacon - 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: mhtparishnewsletter@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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# Reflection - Invitation to Dinner

It's no accident that the Gospels contain many instances of shared meals, weddings feasts and miraculous feeding. In the Scriptures, meals always have something to do with the great meal – the eternal wedding feast.

We celebrate the sacred meal of the Eucharist anticipating the eternal feast of continual communion with God.

In this Gospel episode, Jesus has been invited to a meal at the home of a leading Pharisee. Luke tells us that they watched Jesus closely. No doubt, they are trying to make up their minds about him and his teaching.

Jesus, too, is watching closely and observes how those at the meal readily chose the places of honour for themselves. The fact that Luke calls the words of Jesus a 'parable' alerts us to the fact that this is more than just good advice about how to avoid embarrassment at a dinner party in the ancient world.

It turns out that the parable is about the feast in the Kingdom of God. In the Kingdom the usual conventions of this world are completely reversed, such that those who exalt themselves will be humbled and those who humble themselves will be exalted: the last will be first, and the first last.

It is not wealth, power and social status that gains us a high place at the eternal feast, but the good treatment (humble service) of the most disadvantaged. Being hospitable to the poor and disadvantaged now gains a person the only welcome that truly matters: the welcome into the everlasting hospitality of God.

The true disciple acts towards others with the same largeness of heart as God. Humility enables us to be open to God's heart, and gentleness is the way of imitating his love.

# **The Parish Clergy**

# **Parish Administrator:**

Fr. Joshua Kauras

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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

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# Scripture Readings & Responses

# FIRST READING

### **ECCLESIASTICUS 3:19-21,30-31**

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 67

# R. In your goodness, O God, you prepared a home for the poor.

- 1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. (R)
- 2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom: (R)
- 3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. (R)

# **SECOND READING**

HEBREWS 12:18-19,22-24

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

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ACCLAMATION JOHN 14:23

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

GOSPEL LUKE 14:1,7-14

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

#### 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 Aila McLaughlin who will be baptised today into our faith at the 11:30am Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes. Through the waters of baptism may Aila share in Christ's everlasting joy and reward of eternal life as she continues with Our Blessed Lord on her journey of faith in his holy name.

# Kiltegan Father Mission Appeal Visit - Next Weekend

At all weekend Masses Fr Kyran a priest from the Kiltegan Fathers, part of the St. Patrick's Missionary Society Scotland will concelebrate Holy Mass with Fr Joshua. Fr Kyran will speak about the work of the Kiltegan Fathers and a special collection will be taken at the end of Mass to help with their work. Please contribute to this collection if you are able to. Thank you.

# **Birthday Wishes**

On behalf of the parish we would like to wish Mr Peter Brennan a happy 94th birthday. We also send our prayers and good wishes to Luke Torres (an alter server at Our Lady of Lourdes) and Sophiana Motayo who have also celebrated their birthdays this week. We ask Our Blessed Lord to be remain with them and guide them all the days of their lives.

# Ss John & Columba's SSVP Appeal

The Society of St Vincent de Paul are appealing to your generosity. We know that times are hard for everyone, but if you can contribute to our request for non perishable foodstuff, we'd be extremely grateful. Any donations can be left at the back of the church or given to an SSVP member. Just one item will make a difference. Thank you.

# **Safeguarding Training**

All parish volunteers who work with children and/or protected adults require annual safeguarding training. This is provided by the Archdiocese and available courses can be found in the safeguarding section of the Archdiocesan website: www.archedinburgh.org. If you have any further questions please speak to a safeguarding coordinator from your church.

# Altar Servers' Day

The Archdiocese's day for altar servers is next Saturday 3 September at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. Registration is from 10:30am and the day will feature games and workshops. It will conclude with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley at 2pm. He will present medals to new members of the Guild of St Cuthbert. For more details please speak to Fr Joshua.

#### **Annual Caritas, Justice & Peace Mass**

This takes place at 7pm on Monday 5 September at St Columba's, Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh. The lead celebrant is Canon Brian Gowans, Vicar Episcopal for the Archdiocese's Caritas Justice & Peace Commission, and there will be a homily from Fr David Stewart SJ. Buffet and refreshment served in hall after. Register at <a href="https://doi.org/bit.10/bit.11/b

# Children's Liturgy Day

Those who lead/volunteer with parish Children's Liturgy, or who are interested in finding out more about it, are invited to take part in a day of training, guidance and support at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, at 10:45am on Saturday 10 September. Register at bit.ly/childrensliturgyevent

# Announcement in the Newsletter

Do you or do you know anyone in the parish that has a birthday, anniversary or special event coming up that you would like to recognise them for. Why not ask for an announcement to be put in the newsletter to wish them well on their day. Simply send an email to <a href="mailto:mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com">mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com</a> and space permitting we will include it in the newsletter. Advance notice is much appreciated.

Sunday 21st August 2022 Thank you for your generosity	St Peter in Chains Inverkeithing	<u>Ss John &amp; Columba's</u> <u>Rosyth</u>	<u>Our Lady of Lourdes</u> <u>Dunfermline</u>
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