DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 20th November	9:30am	*St John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Helen O'Neill (Spec Int)
Solemnity of Our Jesus Christ King of the Universe (C)	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Martha & Thomas (Special Intention)
(*live Streamed)	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Deceased Members of the Hepburn Family (RIP)
Monday 21st November Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	NO	MASS	CELEBRATED	TODAY
Tuesday 22nd November Memorial of St Cecilia	6:30pm	*Ss John & Columba's	Divine Mercy & Confessions	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Maureen Cunningham (Special Intention)
Wednesday 23rd November Weekday in Ordinary Time	10:00am	Ss John & Columba's	Funeral Mass	Mary McVay (RIP)
Thursday 24th November Memorial of	6:30pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Rosary & Confessions	
St Andrew Dung Lac & Companions	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Elaine (Special Intention)
Friday 25th November Weekday in Ordinary Time	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Peter Carney (RIP)
Saturday 26th November Weekday in Ordinary Time	9:30am	Ss John & Columba's	Rosary & Confessions	
	10:00am		Holy Mass	Christina Hamilton (RIP)
Vigil of the First Sunday of Advent (A)	4:15pm 5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Confessions Holy Mass	Vhairi Harding (RIP)
Sunday 27th November 1st Sunday of Advent (A) (*Live Streamed)	9:30am	*Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Nellie Jackson (Ann)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Martin Wallace (RIP)
	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Michael Ward Sen (Ann)

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. 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. The Catholic Chaplain to the Victoria Hospital is Fr Gowans (Tel: 01592 592111) and for Queen Margaret Hospital Fr Syriac (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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Sunday 20th November 2022

Solemnity of
Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe
(C)

Reflection - The Royal Shepherd

On this last Sunday of the Church's year we celebrate the Feast of Christ, the King. Today is a day to give thanks to God for all the blessings received during the past year. Most of all, we thank God for the great gift of his son. We celebrate Christ as King of the Universe and look forward to the coming of his kingdom in all its fullness at the end of time.

We are also conscious of the reign of God here and now. The Preface of today's mass says that Christ's kingdom is 'a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace'.

Whenever we act like Christ, the Kingdom of God breaks into our world. Whenever we are moved by the Spirit to proclaim the truth, to respond to need, to work for justice, to transform and heal our society, the Kingdom of God breaks into human reality and the grace of God becomes clearly visible in our words and actions. May we be a people who always seek to bring the reign of God's goodness into our world. That would be the very best way of celebrating this feast.

The first reading from the book of Samuel tells the story of David's election as king of Israel. Under David all the twelve tribes of Israel gathered to form one kingdom. The reading recalls God's commission to David to be 'shepherd of my people Israel'. David is not to lord it over his people, but to be a shepherd to them.

Like David, Christ comes to gather all people into the one Kingdom of God. He, too, acts as a shepherd-king to God's people.

The Gospel illustrates this clearly. Here is a king who gives up his life for his people. He has no fine clothes. His throne is the cross. His crown is made of thorns, not of gold. Even in the throes of death faith and forgiveness are at work and entry into the kingdom of God gained and granted. Indeed, the final act of the dying King Jesus is to grant forgiveness, mercy and admission to the kingdom – a gospel within the Gospel.

The Gospel readings throughout Ordinary time have lead us on a journey of accompanying Jesus on his earthly journey, listening to him unfold God's desire for the human family, watching him restore health and wholeness to many, being taught how to pray properly, to be aware that the Kingdom is both 'here and now' and 'yet to come', the lengths God goes to in order to win us back, and how God meets us with mercy, forgiveness, healing and peace.

Our journey has been about discovering who God is and therefore, who Jesus is, and therefore, who we are called to be when we enter into a faithful relationship with him.

The Parish Clergy

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Fr. Joshua Kauras

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St Peter in Chains Church, Inverkeithing



Ss John & Columba's Church, Rosyth



Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Dunfermline

Scripture Readings & Responses

FIRST READING 2 SAMUEL 5:1-3

All the tribes of Israel then came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel." So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 121

- R. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'
- 1. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R)
- 2. Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. (R)
- 3. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R)

SECOND READING COLOSSIANS 1:12-20

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light. Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the unseen God and the first -born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION MARK 11:9.10

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David. Alleluia!

GOSPEL LUKE 23:35-43

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

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

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Sunday 13th November 2022	St Peter in Chains	Ss John & Columba's	Our Lady of Lourdes
Thank you for your generosity	<u>Inverkeithing</u>	<u>Rosyth</u>	<u>Dunfermline</u>
Offertory Collection	£239.95	£146.00	£518.25
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This Weeks News & Events

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary McVay RIP, who has died recently. Mary's Funeral Mass will take place at 10am on Wednesday 23rd November in Ss John & Columba's Church. Mary's committal will then take place at 11:15am at Douglas Bank Cemetery. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her, may she rest in peace. Amen. May God continue to console and guide Mary's family and reward her with eternal life

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Katrina McDonough who has died recently. Katrina's Funeral Mass will take place at 10am on Tuesday 29th November in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Katrina's committal will then take place at 11:30am at Dunfermline Cemetery. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her, may she rest in peace, Amen. May God continue to console and guide Katrina's family and reward her with eternal life.

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John 'Ian' Lappin RIP, who has died recently. Ian's Funeral Mass will take place at 10am on Wednesday 30th November in Ss John & Columba's Church. Ian's committal will then take place at 11:30am in 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 Ian's family and reward him with eternal life.

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Helen Logue RIP, who has died recently. Helen's Funeral Mass will take place at 9:45am on Friday 2nd December in Ss John & Columba's Church. Helen's committal will then take place at 11am at Douglas bank Cemetery. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her, may she rest in Peace, Amen. May God continue to console and guide Helen's family and reward her with eternal life.

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of His Grace Mario Conti, Emeritus Archbishop of Glasgow who was laid to rest on Friday. May he be rewarded in heaven for the work he has done throughout his earthly life. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him, may he rest in peace, amen. May the Lord continue to bless and guide his family as they grieve his loss.

Special Collection This Weekend - Catholic Education

A second collection will be taken at all masses for the work of the Scottish Catholic Education Service this weekend. Please support its excellent work assisting Catholic Schools across Scotland by contributing if you are able to. If you would like more information visit www.sces.org.uk/catholic-education-week/

Remembering the Dead During the Month of November

As is tradition, during the month of November we remember the dead of our parish along with family and friends who have gone to the Lord. There is a sheet available for you to write the names of those who are nearest and dearest to you, please place completed forms in the box in front of the altar. Mass will then be said for the repose of their souls. Please consider a Mass intention for their souls by using one of the envelopes available which can also be placed in the basket. Candles are also available to purchase at the back of the church priced at £2, these can then be lit in front of the altar. You will have the opportunity to write the name(s) on the candle also. We request where possible 1 candle per family. May all who have died rest in peace. Amen.

Sponsored Walk - Thank you

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all those who sponsored me in my effort to raise funds for the parish. With heartfelt thanks the amazing sum of £277 was raised and has been given as a donation to the parish to help with its ongoing work at a time where costs of heating and maintaining the churches continues to rise.

Dean McGuire, Parish Assistant

Liturgical Calendar Changes

For your awareness please note that from next Sunday, the 1st Sunday in Advent we move to Liturgical Year A and weekdays will move to year 1.

Fife Educational Mass

The annual Fife Education Mass is being held this Tuesday (22nd November) in St Paul's Church, Glenrothes at 7pm with the main celebrant being His Grace Archbishop Cushley. Tea and coffee will be served after mass. For more information please see the poster at the back of the Church.