DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 2nd April Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	9:30am	*St John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Jack Davies (Ann)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Gillian Ross (Ann)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Brigid McKenna (Ann)
Monday 3rd April Weekday in Holy Week	10:45am	Ss John & Columba's	Funeral Mass	Elizabeth Flynn (RIP)
Tuesday 4th April Weekday in Holy Week	9:30am	Ss John & Columba's	Stations of the Cross & Confessions	
	10:00am		Holy Mass	Hugh Glancey (Ann)
Wednesday 5th April Weekday in Holy Week	10:00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Funeral Mass	Patrick Ward (RIP)
Thursday 6th April Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:00pm	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Eddie O'Brien (Ann)
	10:00pm		Night Prayer	
Friday 6th April	3:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Passion Reading.	
The Passion of the Lord	3:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Ss John & Columba's	Veneration of the	
	5:00pm	Ss John & Columba s	Cross & Holy Communion	
Saturday 7th April Easter Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord	5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Margaret McBride (Ann)
Result Cellon of the Bota	8:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Isabel Cardinale (RIP)
Sunday 8th April Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	9:00am	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Roy McVay (RIP)
	11:00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	People of the Parish

# PARISH GENERAL INFORMATION

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Parish Safeguarding Officers - Michael McCourt (PiC); Lisa Quinn & Karen Parker (J&C); Andrew Millar & Christopher Nwachukwu (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. 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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# The Catholic Parish of the Most Holy Trinity.

Parish Newsletter.

Sunday 2nd April 2023
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

# Reflection

On Palm Sunday there were only a few in the crowd who had any idea of what the real picture was. The crowd cheered and sang; the children were enjoying every moment of Jesus's entry on a donkey into Jerusalem. It was a colourful pageant and a welcome diversion from the religious duties of the festival period.

But only a few knew that the man on the donkey was no mere rabbi, politician or rebel leader. He was, in fact, God's Son. He was the Messiah sent by God to bring good news to his people and to reveal the sort of God that they had.

Only a few people could see that the cheering crowd would turn before the week was over and, bored once more, would demand a public spectacle again... this time an execution. In this they were representative of the people at large who rejected the message of Jesus.

Most people would have expected him to argue his case and try to defend

himself against the charges of treason in order to save his skin. But a few people were convinced that he would remain absolutely faithful to the will of his Father. That's because he knew that his mission depended on this.

While the vast majority of the crowd thought that the whole thing was something of a damp squib and the fun was over after his death, a few understood that his life and death had a purpose. Though he was innocent he gave his life in sacrifice so that sin, death and evil might no longer have a hold over us. Some people knew that, but not many.



# **The Parish Clergy**

**Parish Administrator:** 

Rev Fr. Joshua Kauras

Parish Deacon (Permanent):

Rev. Pat Carrigan

**Parish Office Staff:** 

Mary Irvine & Dean McGuire



St Peter in Chains Church, Inverkeithing



Ss John & Columba's Church, Rosyth



Our Lady of Lourdes Church,

Dunfermline

# Scripture Readings & Responses

FIRST READING ISAIAH 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

# RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**PSALM 21(22)** 

## R. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

- 1. All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (R)
- 2. Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet I can count every one of my bones. (R)
- 3. They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! (R)
- 4. I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons. (R)

# SECOND READING PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

#### ACCLAMATION PHILIPPIANS 2:8-9

Praise to you O Christ King of eternal glory: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory!

GOSPEL MATTHEW 26:14-27:66

The passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to St Matthew.

Due to the length of this sacred scripture reading we are unable to print this. Please now listen attentively to the word of God.

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Sunday 26th March 2023 Thank you for your generosity	<u>St Peter in Chains</u> <u>Inverkeithing</u>	<u>Ss John &amp; Columba's</u> <u>Rosyth</u>	Our Lady of Lourdes <u>Dunfermline</u>
Offertory Collection	£226.31	£169.00	£353.76
Grotto Collection (Total)		£250.00	
Standing Orders	£220.00	£415.25	£144.75
Bank Account Details	RBS A/C No: 00600297 Sort Code:833300	RBS A/C No: 00114865 Sort Code: 832339	RBS A/C No: 00249131 Sort Code: 833300

# This Weeks News & Events

#### **Reconciliation Service**

As we enter Holy Week and prepare for the joyful celebration of the Lords resurrection Fr Joshua would like to offer a final opportunity to attend the sacrament of reconciliation before Easter. Please do not worry if you have not been for a long time Fr Joshua will keep you right throughout. Please come along on Tuesday 4th April at 9:30am to Ss John & Columba's prior to Holy Mass.

### **Weekday Mass Changes**

Please note that due to the Chrism Mass in the Edinburgh (Fr Joshua is attending Mass Tuesday 4th April will be at 10am in Ss John & Columba's. There will be no mass in St Peter in Chains on Wednesday 5th April this is due to the funeral taking place in Our Lady of Lourdes.

# Holy Week & Easter Triduum

A reminder on Thursday 6th April Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 7pm in Ss John & Columba's with night prayer at 10pm. On Good Friday the solemn Passion of the Lord will take place in Our Lady of Lourdes as well as St Peter in Chains at 3pm a later reading will take place in Ss John & Columba's at 5pm. The Easter vigil will be celebrated in St Peter in Chains at 5pm and Our Lady of Lourdes at 8:00pm. Easter Sunday mass will be at 9:00am in Ss John & Columba's and 11:00am in Our Lady of Lourdes, there will be no 5pm mass. Please attend as many services as you can, even if they may not be in the church you attend regularly, this is all about the liturgical importance of the service and not it's location it is being held in. Thank you.

#### Ss John & Columba's Grotto - Weekly Update

We held our first special collection to assist with the costs of creating the space for the grotto in the church grounds this raised a fantastic amount of  $\underline{\pounds250}$ . We will are now continue our fundraising efforts to raise as much money as possible with our target being  $\underline{£1,500}$ . The special collection will continue each week to assist with this please continue to contribute if you are able. Please continue to watch this space as we will announce the date of both our parish coffee morning (April) and lunch buffet (May) that we will be looking to hold in St Peters in Chains Hall to assist the fundraising effort. Envelopes are still available at the back of both St Peter in Chains and Our Lady of Lourdes for parishioners to donate to the fundraising efforts, these churches should place envelopes in the collection basket. This is a wonderful opportunity for everyone and the space we aim to create will mirror the grotto at Our Lady of Lourdes. If you want to get involved in the fundraising efforts please email <a href="mailto:mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com">mhtparishnewsletter@gmail.com</a> or speak to Dean McGuire. Thank you.

## **Archdiocesan Stations of the Cross**

Start Holy Week by joining people across the Archdiocese for Stations of the Cross. It takes place on Zoom on this Monday 3 April at 7:45pm and is a chance to pray for all pro-life intentions. It includes a reflection from Archbishop Leo. Register at <a href="https://bit.ly/stations2023">bit.ly/stations2023</a>

#### **Archdiocesan Chrism Mass**

The Chrism Mass takes place at St Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday 4 April at 7:00pm. All are welcome at attend.

#### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

The Atrium in Ss John & Columba's is open, with eight children attending each week. We would like to offer this to children in the whole parish, but need more Catechists to do this. Please watch out for more info after Easter. If you would like to come and see the Atrium, or have a chat about what's involved in being a Catechist, please call or text Ann on 07986 824314. Thank you.

## **Gift Aid Envelopes**

The Gift Aid Envelopes for each of the Churches are available for collection from the back of the church. If you are a Gift Aid Donor (GAD) but no longer pay tax please ring the parish office on 01383 722202 and leave your contact details. Similarly if you would like to become a GAD please contact the office with your details.

#### **Our Lady of Lourdes Committee**

The committee in Our Lady of Lourdes are sending pilgrims to Lourdes as part of the Archdiocesan pilgrimage in July of this year. We are fundraising and an Easter cake baked by a parishioner along with other prizes will be raffled on Easter Sunday. Tickets are on sale now. Money raised from Sunday Coffees each week will also go to the fund. Raffle prizes gratefully received which can be left at the back of the church. Thank you to for your loyalty to the Lourdes committee to enable the work that we do.