DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 18th June 11th Sunday of the Year in Ordinary Time (A)	9:30am	St John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Agnes Cooper (RIP)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Marion Kelly (Ann)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Ian Rodger (Ann)
Monday 19th June Weekday in the 11th Week of the Year	NO	MASS	CELEBRATED	TODAY
Tuesday 20th June Weekday in the 11th Week of the Year	6:30pm	Ss John & Columba's	Divine Mercy & Confessions	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	Elizabeth Flynn (RIP)
Wednesday 21st June Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga	9:30am	St Peter in Chains	Rosary	
	10:00am		Holy Mass	Robert Dunn (Ann)
Thursday 22nd June Weekday in the 11th Week of the Year	6:30pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Rosary & Confessions	
	7:00pm		Holy Mass	John & Ellen McQuade (RIP)
Friday 23rd June Weekday in the 11th Week of the Year	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Funeral Mass	Maria Watson (RIP)
Saturday 24th June Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist	9:30am	Ss John & Columba's	Rosary, Adoration & Confessions	
	10:00am		Holy Mass	Susan Stewart (RIP)
Vigil of the 11th Sunday of the Year in Ordinary Time (A)	4:30pm 5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Confessions Holy Mass	Joe Gallagher (Ann)
Sunday 25th June 12th Sunday of the Year in Ordinary Time (A)	9:30am	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Grace Tilsner & Akin Motayo (Spec Int)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Florence Rankin (RIP)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Patrick McKenna (Ann)

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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, please print the name of person in block capitals for ease of eligibility.

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# Sunday 11th June 2023 11th Sunday of the Year in Ordinary Time (A)

### Reflection - Growing Disciples

This week's Gospel contains the first part of Jesus' instructions to the disciples as they set out on their mission.

At the beginning of the reading we hear that Jesus is moved with compassion for the crowds. He loves them and feels for them and responds to their need since 'they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd'. It is Jesus' compassion for the people that compels him to act.

Then he urges the whole group of disciples to pray to 'the Lord of the harvest' for more labourers. Then, from the broader group of disciples, Jesus chooses twelve who Matthew names as 'apostles' or emissaries.

To these twelve Jesus entrusts the mission of proclaiming that the kingdom of God is close at hand. This is not an 'end of the world' prediction. We could better translate it as: the kingdom of God is very close to you. To a people who had constantly been told that God despised them, that they were sinners and very far from the kingdom of God, this was good news indeed.

Jesus gives the disciples the authority to accompany the proclamation of the Good News with the healing of 'all kinds of diseases and sickness' to break the idea that illness (in whatever form) was a curse sent by God or punishment for sinfulness. Instead, the disciples are to be a sign of God's kindness which brings health and wholeness. The proclamation of the Good News is always to be done generously and without counting the cost.

Through the words of the Gospel may we hear again our own call to be emissaries of God's love and bearers of Good News. May we allow the kindness and compassion of God to touch one another through us.

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

# The Parish Clergy

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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 EXODUS 19:2-6

From Rephidim the sons of Israel set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp. Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagle's wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.""

The Word of the Lord– **Thanks be to God.** 

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 99

#### R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

- 1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. (R)
- 2. Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. (R)
- 3. Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. (R)

SECOND READING ROMANS 5:6-11

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION JOHN 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL MATTHEW 9:36-10:8

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.' He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows: 'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

The Gospel of the Lord- Thanks be to God.

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Sunday 11th June 2023 St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's **Our Lady of Lourdes** Thank you for your generosity **Inverkeithing** Rosyth **Dunfermline** £226.08 £137.00 £543.19 (£441.35 Last Week) Offertory Collection £89.40 (Grotto) Second Collection TBC £220.00 £415.25 £144.75 **Standing Orders Bank Account Details** RBS A/C No: 00600297 RBS A/C No: 00114865 RBS A/C No: 00249131 Sort Code:833300 Sort Code: 832339 Sort Code: 833300

### This Weeks News & Events

#### **For Your Prayers**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maria Watson RIP, who has died recently. Maria's Funeral Mass will take place at 10am on Friday 23rd June in St Peter in Chains, her committal will then follow taking place at 11:30am at Dunfermline Crematorium. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. May God continue to console and guide Maria's family and reward her with eternal life, Amen.

#### **First Holy Communion Communicants**

Congratulations to the children of Ss John and Columba's Primary School who made their First Holy Communion yesterday in Ss John & Columba's Church. May the children be nourished by the flesh of Our Blessed Lord each and every day of their lives. My God continue to guide and bless them on their faith journey.

#### **Commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers**

Please keep in your prayers our new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who will be commissioned at masses next weekend. May the Lord fill them with his love as they carry out their ministry to faithful of our parish either at mass or to our housebound parishioners.

#### Security at Ss John & Columba's

Please note that effective immediately all of the gates at Ss John & Columba's out with service times will be securely locked. Not only does this protect the church and grounds but will help keep the grotto safe when it is completed. Clergy, Parish Staff and all other relevant people will be provided with the combination number to gain access when they require. Thank you for your understanding.

#### St Margaret's Pilgrimage - Today

St Margaret's Pilgrimage returns to Dunfermline today (Sunday 18 June). Mass will be celebrated at 2:30pm in St Margaret's Memorial Church in East Port, with Archbishop Cushley as principal celebrant. An Ecumenical service will take place prior at 12:30pm in Dunfermline Abbey, followed by prayers at the tomb of St Margaret. Join people from all cross the Archdiocese and beyond to give thanks to God for St Margaret's example of faith, charity and leadership.

#### **Special Collection - Next Weekend**

This Sunday marks Day for Life. We pray for all who are blessed with a fruitful life We especially keep in our prayers the unborn at this time also. There will be a special collection next weekend for the Apostolate for Life.

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

The grand total so far for the grotto is £1946.50. As you will see the erection of the grotto is well underway and work will continue until its completion. We expect to spend around £5,000 to complete the grotto (the statue costing £2,500 was kindly paid for by the 200 club, with building materials for the grotto costed at around £1,500). Due to the money we have all helped raise and to protect the grotto we intend to install CCTV to cover the grotto and the wider church grounds, we cannot take the chance that any of the items are stolen or vandalised. To enhance the look of the grotto we will also buy pots/plants. Thank you to everyone for all their support thus far if you are able to, please continue to support this worthwhile cause through the second collection or our fundraising events.

#### **Parish Sponsored Walk**

As we continue to raise funds for the grotto we have arranged another event to support this. On Saturday 8th July we will take part in a sponsored walk from Ss John & Columba's church walking over the Forth Road Bridge and back. We will set off on the walk after 10:30am mass and there will be a comfort break at the south side of the bridge (there are toilets). On arrival back at the church there will be water and squash available as well as a sweet treat. All are welcome to attend including the children of the parish. Registration of interest as well as sponsor forms are now available at the back of all churches of our churches please consider taking a copy away and asking friends/family to sponsor our event. Thankyou.

#### Congratulations

Our best wishes go to Paul Henderson and Peter Shankland who were both ordained as deacons for the Archdiocese. Please keep both of them both in your prayers as they continue their studies towards the sacred priesthood.

#### Archdiocesan Job Vacancy

The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh is seeking to appoint a Director of Property (full-time). For full job details and how to apply visit <u>bit.ly/propertydirector2023</u>. Closing date for applications is Thursday 29 June with Interviews scheduled for Thursday 6 July.