

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 21 April 4th Sunday of Easter <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	5:00pm (Sat)	St Peter in Chains	Vigil Mass	Pat Reid (RIP)
	9:30am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	Anne (RIP)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Michael & Elizabeth Francis
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	For the People
Monday 22 April 4th Week in Eastertide				
Tuesday 23 April (St George) (St Adalbert)				
Wednesday 24 April (St Fidelis of Sigmaringen)				
Thursday 25 April St Mark				
Friday 26 April 4th Week in Eastertide				
Saturday 27 April 5th Sunday of Easter	5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Vigil Mass	Nicola Lesley Murray (Anniv.)
Sunday 28 April 5th Sunday of Easter	9:30am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	Agnes Cooper (Anniv.)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	George Cockburn (Anniv.)
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Tom Clarke (Anniv.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday - St John & St Columba - 6:30pm - 6:50pm
 Thursday - Our Lady of Lourdes - 6:30pm - 6:50pm
 Saturday - St John & Columba - 10:30am - 11:00am
 - St Peter in Chains - 4:30pm - 4:50pm

Rosary & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday - St John & St Columba - 6:30pm - 7:00pm
 Thursday - Our Lady of Lourdes - 6:30pm - 7:00pm
 Saturday - St John & St Columba - 9:30am - 10:00am
 Sunday - St John & St Columba 9:00am - 9:30am
 Our Lady of Lourdes 4:30pm - 5:00pm

PARISH CONTACT 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, as well as Baptisms should be made by appointment with the Parish Priest.

The Anointing of the Sick & Hospital Visitations

The Anointing of the Sick should ordinarily be arranged prior to any prolonged hospital visit. Those who require the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at home, should contact the Parish Priest to arrange a 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.

Funeral Arrangements

For funeral arrangements please make contact with Fr Andrew.

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

Please collect an envelope from the back of the Church. When complete these can be given to the Priest or put through the Presbytery door at Our Lady of Lourdes. Please print the name of the person in block capitals for ease of legibility.

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**Sunday 21 April 2024
Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)**

Reflection - Jesus, True Shepherd

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is often called “Good Shepherd Sunday” because no matter what reading cycle we are in, the Gospel always focusses on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd.

This year, the Gospel reading talks about Jesus as a true shepherd prepared to lay down his life for his sheep. He is not like the hired man who runs away when danger appears. He knows his sheep and one day will gather them all into one flock.

Jesus acts towards us like a good shepherd: feeding, nurturing, defending and even laying down his life for us. Our Good Shepherd is deeply concerned about us, the flock and there is a deep sense of warmth and intimacy in the realisation that Jesus knows each one of us by name. Like a good shepherd Jesus is the source of life, nourishment, and safety for the sheep.

Any reflection about Jesus as the Good Shepherd also serves as a reminder that shepherding each other in Jesus’ name is part of the vocation of every disciple. We are very used to thinking about Jesus as the Good Shepherd, but we also need to think about being/becoming good shepherds to each other.

One of the very encouraging things about the pandemic was the number of people who became good shepherds to others, providing safety and security to vulnerable people, supporting health workers, providing meals and companionship. That is what it means to lay down our lives for each other.

Lord Jesus Christ, eternal High Priest, You offered yourself to the Father on the altar of the Cross and through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit gave Your priestly people a share in Your redeeming sacrifice. Hear our prayer for the sanctification of our priests. Grant that all who are ordained to the ministerial priesthood may be ever more conformed to You, the Divine Master. May they preach the Gospel with pure heart and clear conscience. Let them be shepherds according to Your own Heart, single-minded in service to You and to the Church and shining examples of a holy, simple and joyful life. Through the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Your Mother and ours, draw all priests and the flocks entrusted to their care to the fullness of eternal life where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

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

The Parish Clergy

Parish Priest:

Fr. Andrew Kingham

Parish Deacon:

Rev. Pat Carrigan

Contact details can be found on the back page.



St Peter in Chain's Church, Inverkeithing



St John & St Columba's Church, Rosyth



**Our Lady of Lourdes Church,
Dunfermline**

Scripture Readings & Responses

FIRST READING

ACTS 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: ‘Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.’

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 117

R. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men; it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. **(R)**
2. I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **(R)**
3. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; You are my God, I thank you. My God, I praise you. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end. **(R)**

SECOND READING

1 JOHN 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God’s children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

JOHN 10:11-18

Jesus said: ‘I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. ‘I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd. ‘The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.’

The Gospel of the Lord – **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

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This Week's News & Events

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today (Sunday) is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We pray for Gerard Holden and Matthew McCafferty who are seminarians of the Archdiocese, and particularly for Paul Henderson and Peter Shankland who will both be ordained to the priesthood in July. We keep in our prayers our Parish Priest, Fr Andrew and Deacon Pat and all priests, deacons and religious in the Archdiocese for their service to God and His people.

All-powerful Father, protect your sons who are preparing for the priesthood. Help them remain faithful to prayer, diligent in their studies, and docile to spiritual direction. Protect them from temptation, keep them from all evil, and enflame their hearts with love so they may one day become ardent and gentle shepherds for Your Church. Amen

Special Collection

A special collection will be taken today for the Ecclesiastical Students Fund. If you prefer donations can be made online at <https://bit.ly/studentscollection>. If you can please consider supporting to this collection.

Emergency Contacts

Please note that Fr Andrew will be unavailable from Monday 22nd April until Saturday 4th May. Deacon Pat can be contacted as normal by email. If you require the urgent pastoral care of a priest, please contact any of the following priests: Father Syriac on 01383 625611 (Dunfermline), Cannon James Tracey (Burntisland) on 01592 872207, Fr Franco Liporace IVE or Fr Simon Willis IVE (Cowdenbeath) on 01383 510549. If your request is not urgent, please leave a voicemail on the parish office answer machine or alternatively, send an email. The address can be found on the back page.

Mission Appeal - Next Weekend

Next weekend we extend a warm welcome to Father Willie Brandon SMA from the Society of African Missions. Father Willie will preach on the work of SMA Fathers. A special collection will be taken at all Masses. Please give generously if you are able.

Gift Aid Envelopes

New Gift Aid envelopes are now available for collection from the back of the church. If you no longer pay tax, please email the parish office with your details so we can update our records. If you are unable to email, please phone the office and leave a message. Similarly if you would like to become a GAD please contact the office with your details.

Parish Pilgrimage

We are excited to announce we are planning a parish pilgrimage which will take place in September of this year. The retreat will take place in September at the Catholic National Shrine to Our Lady in Walsingham, led by Father Andrew. We will stay in the pilgrim accommodation Elmham House. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time in prayer with Our Lady, bringing us closer to God. There will be social time as well as spiritual talks from Father Andrew. This is a time to come together as a parish to celebrate our faith and form new friendships. Once we receive confirmation on the availability of rooms, a leaflet with information about the shrine, as well as travel and accommodation details and cost, will be available from next weekend at the back of the church. We would like to be able to confirm numbers as soon as possible, so register quick!

SCIAF Wee Boxes

Please return you SCIAF ‘wee boxes’ to the back of the Church by next Sunday (27 April). Once all the boxes have been counted a cheque will be sent to SCIAF to support their incredible work.

Archdiocesan Music Event

You are invited to join Sir James MacMillan, one of the world’s most successful living composers and Scotland’s best known Catholic musician, for a free talk at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, on Tuesday 23 April at 7:30pm. Sir James will explore how chant, as the music of Faith, has influenced the history of music. Register at <https://bit.ly/StMarysM>

Pro Life Chain, Edinburgh

SPUC's Pro-Life Chain will be the main event of Edinburgh's Festival of Life on Saturday 27 April at 11:00am taking place on Lothian Road. It will be preceded by the Rosary at 10:00am at Sacred Heart Church on Lauriston Street.

Salamanca

St Mary's Parish in Stirling invites people from across the Archdiocese to join them on pilgrimage to Salamanca, Spain, from 12-19 October 2024. Includes trips to Avilla and Segovia, staying at the Royal Scots College (twin rooms only). For more information email admin.stmarystirling@staned.org.uk or phone 01786 473749.