

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGICAL ACT	INTENTION
Sunday 5 May 6th Sunday of Easter	5:00pm (Sat)	St Peter in Chains	Vigil Mass	Pat Reid (RIP)
	9:30am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	Loretta Leybourn (Spec. Int)
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	For the People
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Sr Anna Marie McGuan (Spec. Int)
Monday 6 May 6th Week in Eastertide	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	
Tuesday 7 May 6th Week in Eastertide	7:00pm	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	Imelda Smith (RIP)
Wednesday 8 May Ascension of the Lord	7:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Vigil Mass	For the People
Thursday 9 May The Ascension of the Lord <i>*Holy Day of Obligation*</i>	10:00am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	Llewellyn Lloyd (Anniv.)
	7:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Allan Moore (Anniv.)
Friday 10 May <i>St John of Avila</i>	10:00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Pat Reid (RIP)
Saturday 11 May 6th Week in Eastertide	10:00am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	
	5:00pm	St Peter in Chains	Vigil Mass	Josephine Gallagher (RIP)
Sunday 12 May 7th Sunday of Easter World Communications Day	9:30am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass	Special Intention
	11:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	For the People
	5:00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass	Jan Baranski (RIP)

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 5 May 2024
 Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)**

Reflection - Jesus, Bond of Love

As we approach the coming feasts of the Ascension and Pentecost, the Gospel today helps us understand that Jesus is our bond of love with the Father and with one another.

Jesus shows us the way to live full and happy lives by living in love: “I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete.”

The commandments of Jesus are always about love - love of God and love of neighbour. Those who live by these commandments of Jesus abide with him, others and the Father in love.

Jesus is the reign of God in person. He is both the image of God and the model of the redeemed human being that each of us is called to be.

When Jesus says he has told the disciples everything he has learned from the Father it reminds us that Jesus was human as well as divine; that his life was a journey of learning, too; a path of facing choices and challenges. Jesus tells his disciples that they are his friends. They have become his friends because he has shared his knowledge and understanding and love of the Father with them.

We remain in Christ by remaining in his love and loving one another just as Christ has loved us. We are no longer servants but friends of Jesus because he has made known to us everything he learnt from God. Jesus has chosen us and commissioned us to be love and to do love in the heart of the world.

(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

This Week's News & Events

FIRST READING

ACTS 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!' Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 97

R. *The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.*

1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (**R**)
2. The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. (**R**)
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord, all the earth, ring out your joy. (**R**)

SECOND READING

1 JOHN 4:7-10

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN 15:4.5

Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

JOHN 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me: no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

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

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28 April 2024	<i>St Peter in Chain's Inverkeithing</i>	<i>St John & St Columba's Rosyth</i>	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes Dunfermline</i>
Offertory Collection	£215.45	£134.47	£422.10
Special Collection	£448.14	£327.45	£900.00
Standing Orders	£158.75	£364.63	£100.50
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

For Your Prayers

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Michael McHale RIP, who has died. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in Peace and rise in glory, Amen. May God continue to console and guide Michael's family and reward him with eternal life. Michael's funeral details will be announced in due course.

Mission Appeal - Thank you

Father Willie Brandon SMA would like to thank all those who contributed to the mission appeal collection last weekend. Totals for each of the churches can be found at the bottom of the previous page. All of the money raised will make a big difference to so many lives across Africa.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Please keep in your prayers the children from St John's Primary School and St Margaret's Primary School who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation today (Sunday) at the 5pm Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes. In a special way we offer a warm welcome to His Grace Archbishop Cushley who joins us as principal celebrant for this wonderful occasion.

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord takes place on 9 May and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Holy Mass (Vigil) will be celebrated on Wednesday 8 May in St Peter in Chains at 7pm. Mass of the day will be celebrated at 10am in St John & St Columba's, and in Our Lady of Lourdes at 7pm.

Special Collection

Sunday 12 May is World Communications Day and a special collection will take place at all Masses for the apostolate of communications. It helps fund the Catholic Media Office which represents the Church in Scotland. In his message for the day, Pope Francis urges us to cultivate wisdom of the heart in the age of artificial intelligence. You can read the letter on the Archdiocesan website at www.archedinburgh.org/news-events

SCIAF 'Wee Boxes'

Many thanks to all who donated to SCIAF 'wee box' collection during lent. £1,535.90 has been raised. This incredible amount will assist SCIAF assist those in most need throughout the world.

St John & St Columba's 200 Club - March Winners

1st prize, Teresa Gallagher; 2nd prize, Beverly Arthur; 3rd prize, Julie Webber. Congratulations to this months winners. To ensure that the 200 club remains viable, we need more members to join. For more information on how the club raises funds for the Church or if you would like to join, please speak with Lisa Quinn after Mass.

Parish Pilgrimage

There is now only three spaces on our pilgrimage to the Catholic National Shrine to Our Lady in Walsingham taking place from Monday 2 September, returning Friday 6 September. The full cost of the trip will be £500. This includes transportation, accommodation, breakfast, lunch, and evening meal. If you are interested in attending please add your name to the list at the back of the church by Sunday 5 May. A meeting will take place in St Peter in Chains Church hall on Monday 20 May at 7pm. A presentation about the shrine will be given, and further details of what our plan will be for our time away will also be given. Your deposit to secure your place will be collected at this meeting.

A Day with Mary

If you have a child(ren) in primaries 4 to 7, why not sign them up for A Day with Mary at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on Saturday 11 May 2024. It takes place from 11:00am to 3:00pm and is a chance for children to learn more about the Blessed Virgin in her month of May, while enjoying games and activities with kids from across the Archdiocese. Register at <https://bit.ly/daywithmary2024>

Archdiocesan Synod Gathering

The Archdiocesan Synodal Team invites you to Spiritual Conversation. This event will take place at Ss John Cantius & Nicholas in Broxburn, on Saturday 4 May at 10:30am. Registration and details can be found at <https://bit.ly/archsynod>

Assisted Suicide – Called to Care, Not to Kill

Please contact your MSP today to stop assisted suicide becoming legal in Scotland. Guidance on contacting your MSPs is available at www.rcpolitics.org/assistedsuicide or email office@rcpolitics.org for more information.

Events in the Archdiocese

For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>