



Vigil Masses 4.30pm & 6pm

Sunday 10am & 11.30am

Daily Mass at 10am

Sunday Mass 11.30am

Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am

Saturday 9am

Vigil Mass 6pm

Sunday 10am & 4.30pm

Mon & Wed 6.30pm; Fri 8.30am

Sunday 22nd November—Solemnity of Christ the King (A)

We pray for those who have died recently: Nan McGillivray, Ian Heary, Fred Leggatt, Rina Freedman, Agnes Carrie and Breda Bosquill **and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Joe Moore, Isabella Lynch, Bruce Connor, Nan Mulligan and Susan Bruce. We also remember all those mentioned in our books of remembrance. **Prayers for the sick:** Please continue to remember in your prayers the sick, especially those mentioned on our sick lists.

Lists for Christmas Masses: At the moment we are planning for Christmas Masses. We think that there will still be a limit of 50 for each Mass. There are forms available at the end of Mass today on which we would ask you to indicate your preferences. On the sheets for St Columba's and St Leonard and St Fergus' there is no indication of which church the Masses will be taking place in: this is deliberate. We may have to increase the number of Masses and we will decide what is going to be most convenient in terms of times and locations. We know which church you have been attending and so we will infer from that the church you would like to attend at Christmas. Please place your completed forms in the collection boxes / baskets. Closer to the date we will contact you to let you know at which Mass you have been allocated places.

Month of the Holy Souls: "It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from their sins" (Macc 12:46). We continue to offer our Masses during November for the happy repose of the souls of all the Faithful Departed remembering all those mentioned on our November lists.

Chalice Returns to St Mary's: We have received in St Mary's a chalice that was given to Mgr Hamish Stuart, former parish priest. The inscription reads: 'To Mgr Stuart VG from his parishioners of Lochee with every blessing and thanks'. I am assuming that this was given to Mgr Stuart for an anniversary or on his move from the parish. If anyone can enlighten me as to the circumstances of the gift, I'd be delighted to hear when the gift was given. It had been stored in the Diocesan Centre and it was thought that we would appreciate having it back in Lochee. I am delighted that we will be able to use the chalice here and, as we do, we will pray for the happy repose of the soul of one of the former parish priests.

Advent: As part of our celebration of the Season of Advent, we will have a moment of reflective prayer on the Sunday Gospels (Lectio Divina) streamed on Facebook on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. **This is only available on Facebook.** If you are participating in this time of prayer, you might want to create a prayerful atmosphere in your homes with a Crucifix or other picture/statue/icon and a candle. We will send out the readings being used via email. If you are reading this as a hard copy and have not already signed up to the parish email, please send your details to stmaryslochee@dunkelddiocese.org.uk

Focus On Vocations

Seminary Enquiries for 2021/22: The Catholic Church in Scotland is now inviting enquiries from those considering applying for seminary. Please contact Fr Mark.

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St Leonard & St Fergus' - St Leonard's Place, Ardler, Dundee. DD3 9HD Tel: 01382-825203
Parish Priest - Fr Mark Cassidy | Assisting Priests - Fr Alexander Obiorah and Fr Jean Gové

Collections: Monies handed in up to 15th November amounted to: St Mary's £1079 | St Columba's £329 | St Leonard & St Fergus' £526. There was also a tremendous response to last week's Appeal for Stella Maris—the Apostleship of the Sea: St Mary's £490 | St Columba's £193 | St Leonard & St Fergus' £657. Thank you to Clare Colvin, Mike Barile and Maita Crowe for their inputs.

Gift Aid: We received our Gift Aid reimbursement from HMRC for the period 6th April-31st October, which amounted to St Mary's £3,360 | St Columba's £1,076 | St Leonard & St Fergus' £3,395. This reflects 25% of the donations given by those who are tax payers and have signed up for the Gift Aid scheme.

Donation Received: There was a donation of £1,000 to the St Mary's Restoration Fund in memory of Nan Sharp who died recently. We are grateful to her family for this generous gift. Money raised so far this year for the Restoration Fund totals almost £13,000. This includes money raised from the 100 Club. The total is a terrific achievement when we remember that we were 'closed' for almost four months, and we have not been able to hold any fund raising events since January / February.

Fabric Repairs to St Mary's: I have been told that the existing scaffolding will be modified to be loadbearing so that it can support the roof. The work for this will start on Thursday 26th November and the work to replace the timbers affected by dry rot will start on Monday 30th November. **On some of these days we may have to celebrate Mass together in the lower hall.** Please turn up for daily Mass as usual and you will be directed to wherever Mass is being celebrated. I would ask everyone to turn up in good time before the start of Mass as we will have to be careful in seating everyone in the hall.

St Columba's Magazine, 'The Dove': It has been the tradition in St Columba's to mark the end of the year with an edition of 'The Dove'. If anyone from our three communities would like to contribute to the magazine, please email any material directly to Martyn Norman at martynnorman@btinternet.com or email St Mary's and I will pass it on. As well as some printed copies, it is hoped that we will make this year's edition available on-line for anyone to access.

Religious Calendars: There are calendars available for the households of all who are attending Mass. These will be distributed at the end of the Masses next weekend. I would ask Eucharistic Ministers to take extra calendars for those whom they visit. Perhaps you know of people who are, at present, still shielding or not yet confident in coming back to Mass. If you think that they would also like a calendar, please take one for them.

Charities / Fundraising

St Mary's Restoration Fund 100 Club: This week's draw was made on Friday and the winner was no.68, Margaret Keir. Congratulations to Margaret and thanks to all who support this fundraising initiative.

Mary's Meals: With effect from the beginning of November until the end of January 2021, all donations to Mary's Meals will be matched by the Government in a "Double the Love" initiative. The £375 that was forwarded to Mary's Meals this week will, when matched, enable £750 worth of work to be done in the feeding programmes throughout the world. A further £5.80 has been earned for Mary's Meals by our October/November inkjet cartridge collection. Mary's Meals Gift Cards are now available at £15.90 each. The purchase of this card will provide a daily meal to a child in a school location for a whole year. Also available are similar £5 gift cards which will allow a meal to be delivered to some 60 children in a community location in the present pandemic conditions. Both cards make ideal Christmas gifts for family and friends. Thank you for the generosity that allows all this good work to be done.

Sock Appeal: At this time of year, we have our annual 'sock appeal' for the homeless. The socks collected are handed into the shelters in the city to be distributed to those in need. These can be left for collection in boxes provided by the back of our churches.

Repository at St Columba's: Now has everything that you might need for the approaching festive season.