





Vigil Mass 4.30pm Sunday 10.30am (also streamed) Monday-Saturday 10am Sunday Mass 11.45am

Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am

Saturday 9am (Eucharistic Service)

Vigil Mass 6pm Sunday 9.15am Mon & Wed 6.30pm

Fri 8.30am (Eucharistic Service)

## Sunday 29th August—Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

## The Mass Schedule for the months of August and September (at least)

Saturday Vigil Masses: 4.30pm—St Mary's 6pm—St Leonard & St Fergus

Sunday: 9.15am—St Leonard & St Fergus; 10.30am—St Mary's; 11.45am—St Columba's

## Weekday Schedule

St Mary's: Monday-Saturday 10am Mass

St Leonard & St Fergus: Monday & Wednesday 6.30pm—Mass; Friday 8.30am—Eucharistic Service

(We will continue with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Leonard & St Fergus' on Wednesday at 6pm.)

St Columba's: Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am-Mass; Saturday 9am-Eucharistic Service

**Our Beloved Dead:** Please remember in your prayers — Catherine McMinn, Margaret Samson, David Fitzgerald, Mary Farquhar, Ronald McCabe, Evelyn Doig, Doug Reid and Patricia Gowans who have died recently; and Anna Panetta, Eleanor Moore, Graeme Cavin and Mary Dunn **and all whose anniversaries occur at this time**. We also remember all those mentioned in our books of remembrance. **Prayers for the sick:** Please continue to remember the sick in your prayers, especially those mentioned on our sick lists.

**Funerals:** Monday 30th, St Mary's 10am—Margaret Samson; Wednesday 1st, St Mary's 10am—David Fitzgerald; Thursday 2nd, Dundee Crematorium 3.30pm—Evelyn Doig; Saturday 4th, St Mary's 10am—May Farquhar; Tuesday 7th, St Leonard & St Fergus 1130am—Patricia Gowans.

**Sincere Thanks:** to Deacon Malcolm Hutchison for holding the fort during my absence. I know that his Eucharistic Services were appreciated by those who attended and it was reassuring for me that someone was staying in the house at St Mary's and able to respond to calls on the 'phone and at the door. We wish Malcolm well as he journeys to Crieff to spend time with Canon Tom Shields at St Fillan's and St Margaret's (Comrie). After his pastoral placement there, Malcolm will have a short break before resuming his studies in Rome. We wish him all the best and assure him of our prayers for the year ahead as he prepares for his Ordination to the Priesthood which, please God, will take place next summer.

**For those who wish to maintain social distancing:** In St Mary's please use the side aisle pews on the left as you look at the altar and in St Leonard & St Fergus, the two areas at the front and to either side of the altar. Due to the size of St Columba's there would not seem to be the same need to designate a particular area.

**Receiving Holy Communion:** With the further changes to the easing of restrictions for COVID-19, I am happy to distribute to those who wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue. All I would ask is that those wishing to receive Holy Communion in this way wait until the end of the Communion procession and come to me rather than to the Eucharistic Minister. There will still be some priests who do not feel ready to distribute Holy Communion in this way and we respect their continuing reservations.

**National Pilgrimage to Carfin:** This will take place next Sunday 5th September at 3pm and will be in honour of St Joseph. Bishop Brian McGee, Bishop of Argyll and the Isles will celebrate the Mass and preach. There will be a coach leaving from Gray's Lane, Lochee at 12.30pm on the day and returning after the Mass. **Please note the slightly earlier departure time.** So far there are about 30 people who have expressed an interest in joining the pilgrimage. There are sheets at the back of our churches for anyone else who wishes to make the pilgrimage. I cannot give a definite time for an arrival back in Dundee but I would estimate it to be around 7-7.30pm. There may be some facilities at Carfin but I would suggest that people may want to take their own snacks and drinks with them.

**House at St Columba's:** Following on from the great work done last month, we will continue the work of clearing up the house at St Columba's this Friday, 3rd September. If there is anyone able to help with some more clearing and cleaning (work to suit all abilities), please meet at St Columba's at 11.30am.

**Collections:** St Mary's £1084 || St Columba's £225 || St Leonard & St Fergus' £637. Thank you for your generosity in supporting the parishes and the work of the Church.

St Mary's Restoration Fund 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner, Raymond Taylor (no.9).

**Restoration Fund Monthly Sale:** This sale will take place this weekend around the Vigil and Sunday morning Masses: there will be the usual raffle with cake & candy, books and 'quality' Bric a Brac.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning—24th September:** Advance warning to mark the date in your diary! All offers of prewrapped home baking, raffle prizes and people willing to sell tickets, will be gladly accepted!

**Teas and Coffees:** Please remember that there are now teas and coffees again in the hall at St Leonard & St Fergus and in St Columba's following the Sunday morning Masses. Pop in for some refreshment and catch up with some of your fellow parishioners.

**Youth Forum:** I am interested in hearing from anyone in the age group from sixth year to early 30s who would be interested in coming together to share faith and explore some of the Church's teaching in a less formal setting. At the moment all I have is a blank canvas and would welcome ideas about how often we might meet, the when and where of the meetings and also what you might want to discuss or learn more about. To register interest, please drop me an email at stmaryslochee@dunkelddiocese.org.uk or phone 01382-611282. As time goes on, we will look at the possibility of starting something similar for other younger age groups.

## Think Vocations / Pray for Vocations

"Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you." Does that "word" include a call to serve as a priest or in religious life? How will you respond? Speak to Fr Mark, your local Vocations Director about priesthood, email *Priests for Scotland* or see the website or Facebook pages: PFS or VocationNetworkScotland.

Friday 3rd September: **Pope St Gregory the Great (540 - 604)**: He was born in Rome and followed the career of public service that was usual for the son of an aristocratic family, finally becoming Prefect of the City of Rome, a post he held for some years. He founded a monastery in Rome and some others in Sicily, then became a monk himself. He was ordained deacon and sent as an envoy to Constantinople, on a mission that lasted five years. He was elected Pope on 3 September 590, the first monk to be elected to this office. He reformed the administration of the Church's estates and devoted the resulting surplus to the assistance of the poor and the ransoming of prisoners. He negotiated treaties with the Lombard tribes who were ravaging northern Italy, and by cultivating good relations with these and other barbarians he was able to keep the Church's position secure in areas where Roman rule had broken down. His works for the propagation of the faith include the sending of Augustine and his monks as missionaries to England in 596, providing them with continuing advice and support and (in 601) sending reinforcements. He wrote extensively on pastoral care, spirituality, and morals, and designated himself "servant of the servants of God." He died on 12 March 604, but as this date always falls within Lent, his feast is celebrated on the date of his election as Pope.