





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 5th September—Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

## The Mass Schedule for the week 5-12th September

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 6.30pm, Tuesday 11.30am—Mass; Wednesday 6.30pm & Friday 8.30am— Eucharistic Service

(There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Leonard & St Fergus' this Wednesday.)

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

Please note that there in no Mass in St Columba's on Tuesday morning, and on Wednesday evening at St Leonard & St Fergus' there will be a Eucharistic Service in place of Mass.

**Our Beloved Dead:** Please remember in your prayers — Catherine McMinn, Mary Donald and Patricia Gowans who have died recently; and Margaret Lowden, Margaret Leonard, Mary (Leonard) George, Graham Brown, Frank Watson, Maggie Black, Margaret Martin, Gail Patrick **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:** Tuesday 7th, St Leonard & St Fergus 11.30am—Patricia Gowans (Reception of Remains: Mon at 6pm); Friday 10th, St Mary's 10am—Mary Donald (Reception of Remains: Thursday 5pm);

**Streamed Mass on 29th August:** My apologies for the lack of sound for the Mass last Sunday. Everything was set up as usual and so I am at a bit of a loss as to what went wrong. We will test it before Sunday and hopefully normal service will be resumed this weekend!

**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.

**Children's Liturgy:** St Columba's will restart their children's liturgy during the 11.30am Mass. This will be for children up to and including P3.

**National Pilgrimage to Carfin:** This will take place today, 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. The coach will now leave from the lay-by further along from the church, past the bus stip. The bus will depart at 12.30pm return after the Mass (arriving back about 7-7.30pm). The hall will be open after Sunday morning Mass and a cup of tea or coffee will be available for anyone wanting some refreshment before they board the bus. There may be some facilities at Carfin but I would suggest that people may want to take their own snacks and drinks with them.

**Journey of Faith:** If there is anyone interested in knowing more about the faith in terms of thinking of joining the Catholic Church, please contact me as soon as possible so that we can arrange to discuss this further.

**Younger people for the Sacraments:** If there are family members who are in P4 and are wishing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist but are not at Catholic schools, please contact me as soon as possible. Likewise please be in touch with regard to older children who may not have received preparation for these Sacraments or are in secondary schools and have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Collections:** St Mary's £1028 || St Columba's £249 || St Leonard & St Fergus' £651. Thank you for your generosity in supporting the parishes and the work of the Church.

Special Collection next weekend 11-12th September for the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund.

St Mary's Restoration Fund 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner, Mary Stott (no.87).

**Restoration Fund Monthly Sale:** Last week's sale raised £417 (with some IOUs still to be added to the total); in addition there was also £58 from the Repository, bringing the total to £475 for August. We also had a further donation of £100. Thank you to all those who worked to arrange the sale and those who served; thanks too to all who gave their support.

**Mary's Meals:** As a result of your ongoing generosity a further £100 has been forwarded to Mary's Meals for the feeding programme and a further 35 filled backpacks have been sent bringing our overall total to 12,242. Many, many thanks.

**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!

**St Columba's House:** My thanks to those who came to help clear and clean on Friday—another tremendous effort with the result that things are again looking much better!

**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.

Chrism Mass—Tuesday 14th September: The Cathedral will operate a booking system for reserving a space at the Chrism Mass which will take place on Tuesday 14th September 2021 at 7pm. It is important that those who wish to attend book a place for the Mass in advance as demand is expected to be high. A number of seats will be 'socially distanced', whilst the remainder are not. The seat categories are as follows: 1. Downstairs 'Socially Distanced' Seating; 2. Downstairs Non Socially Distanced Seating; 3. Upstairs 'Socially Distanced' Seating; 4. Upstairs Non Socially Distanced Seating. Please note that there that there is no disabled access or lift to the upstairs seating, and that tickets booked upstairs are not transferable downstairs on the day of the Mass.

Tickets can be booked online on the **Eventbrite** website—https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/chrism-mass-at-st-andrews-cathedral-dundee-tickets-168107535163. Alternatively, you can search for 'Chrism Mass at St Andrew's RC Cathedral, Dundee'. **If you have no internet access,** a limited number of tickets have been set aside for booking over the phone. This can be done by calling or texting 07561 699557 and leaving a message with your name, contact phone number, the type of seat(s) you require and for how many e.g. one upstairs socially distanced seat. If you don't hear back from the Cathedral Mass Booking Team, your booking is confirmed. Unless exempt on medical grounds, face coverings must be worn on entering the Cathedral and for the duration of Holy Mass. You will be shown to an allocated seat by a Steward on your arrival which you must sit in.

## Think Vocations / Pray for Vocations

"Courage! Do not be afraid!" If you think God might be calling you to be a priest or to serve in a religious congregation, don't be afraid to respond to it. He will help you! Speak to Fr Mark, your local Vocations Director about priesthood, email *Priests for Scotland* or see the website or Facebook pages: PFS or VocationNetworkScotland.