



Vigil Mass 4.30pm

Sunday 10.30am (also streamed)

Monday-Saturday 10am

Sunday Mass 11.30am

Tuesday & Thursday 8.30 am

Saturday 9am

Vigil Mass 6pm

Sunday 10am

Mon & Wed 6.30pm

Fri 8.30am

Sunday 23rd January—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers — Rena Robbie, Gerald (Gerry) Cassidy, Agnes Donachie, Martin Power, Anna Rollo, Gladys Mooney and Frances Reilly who have died recently and Billy Dailly, Ken Brannan, Tom Inglis, Pearl Hearn, Martin Stuart, Joselito San Luis, Bert Marshall, Jill Brogan, Thomas Costello, Grace Keenan, Lisa Mestiri, Annie Galloway, Easter Guthrie and Deacon Hugh Mulholland 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 and the terminally ill in your prayers, especially those mentioned on our sick lists.

Funerals: Monday 24th January, St Leonard & St Fergus 11.30am—Rena Robbie; Thursday 27th January, St Mary's 10am—Agnes Donachie.

Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession: Just a reminder of the regular times for Confession. St Mary's, Saturday 10.30-11am; 3.30-4pm; St Columba's, Saturday after the morning Mass; St Leonard & St Fergus, Saturday 5.15-5.45pm. These are the 'regular' times, but Confession can be requested before or after Mass and if we have the appropriate time available, we will be happy to celebrate the Sacrament.

Award of the Bene Merenti: Alex Leonard asked me to include in the newsletter this week his heartfelt thanks to all who made Wednesday evening such a memorable occasion. Alex was overwhelmed with the good wishes he received in person and in the cards and messages sent to him. He has asked that a Mass be celebrated for the intentions of all those who were so kind to him. I would also like to add my own thanks to those who contributed in any way to the Mass and to the celebration in the hall afterwards. A parishioner commented that the busy car park, the well attended Mass, the singing and the gathering in the hall were a reminder of how things had been before the pandemic and a glimpse of what we can hope for in the future.

St Columba's Heating: The heating has been restored and according to early reports is now better than it has been for some time. Here's hoping and praying....

St Columba's Coffee Club: The Thursday coffee club runs every Thursday meeting from 1-2.30pm in St Columba's Hall. All are welcome to a time of relaxed friendship and chat.

Dundee Pregnancy and Parenthood: If you are free next Saturday, **29th January** from 9am-12noon, please come along to 24-28 Lawside Road, DD3 6XY to help us move to St Columba's, Derwent Avenue, DD3 0BE or come to St Columba's to help unload and store the clothing and accessories collected for those in need.

Afternoon for Life: Bishop Stephen invites us to join him for the **Afternoon For Life** at the Our Lady of Victories church hall in Forebank Road on **Saturday 12th February at 1pm**. There will be informative talks from expert pro-life speakers. With on-going moves to legalise assisted suicide, it is imperative to be up to date with the latest debates. Tea and coffee will be provided during the afternoon and there may be crèche places available. The Afternoon finishes around 4.30pm. For further information and to book a place please email mcgraw.clare@gmail.com

Collections: St Mary's £1089 || St Columba's £261 || St Leonard & St Fergus' £786. There was also £100 handed in as proceeds from the repository at St Columba's. Thank you for your generous support of the parishes and the work of the Church.

St Mary's Restoration Fund 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner, Mary Stott (87). Through various donations and with money from the 100 club, we added another £280 to the Restoration Fund total this week.

Think Vocations / Pray for Vocations

Jesus is "sent to bring the good news to the poor". Perhaps you feel a call to do the same in priestly life in our parishes, in service as a deacon or in a religious order dedicated to serving the poor. Answer it! Speak to Fr Mark, your local Vocations Director about priesthood or religious life, email *Priests for Scotland* or see the website or Facebook pages: PFS or VocationNetworkScotland. Diocesan Priesthood: **Thinking about Diocesan Priesthood in 2022?** We are now inviting enquiries from those considering applying for seminary. For more information please contact Fr Mark Cassidy e-mail: stmaryslochee@dunkelddiocese.org.uk

Another Look at the Synodal Church

The Diocesan Phase of this process of consultation is to take place up until August 2022 and will involve three phases:

A questionnaire to be completed anonymously either online, or on paper (for those who have no access to the Internet). It will also be available in the Polish language. There will be a separate online questionnaire for young people from P6-7 and S1-2. Older pupils can use the adult questionnaire (online or paper). We may respond individually, or as part of a group as we wish, such as with our family, the SVDP society, the UCM, prayer groups, prolife groups, readers, eucharistic ministers, servers, cantors etc.

The clergy and religious are also asked to respond either individually, or as part of a wider group: e.g. the Council of Priests, the Chapter, the College of Consultors, a community of religious priests or sisters.

There is no age bar on who may respond. A quick glance of the questionnaire will indicate that the only mark of recognition each individual person will be asked to identify is the age group to which they belong. For upper primary children and S1 and S2 there will be a questionnaire especially for them.

Everyone - primary school children, secondary school students, university/college students, parishioners, the sick and housebound, practising, and non-practising Catholics and interested people of other Christian denominations - even people of other Faith communities and none - are invited and encouraged to respond.

The online questionnaire responses are to be submitted by 25th February 2022. Paper responses are to be returned by March 4th and posted to: Synodality Team, Diocese of Dunkeld, 24-28 Lawside Road, Dundee DD3 6XY.

The second phase of the consultation will take place during Lent from March 4th to April 3rd, 2022. Resources will be distributed for use in parishes in time for a 'listening phase' to take place during this time.

Listening phase responses will be returned to the diocesan offices by April 6th 2022 so that the Diocesan Coordination Group can prepare a Synthesis of the responses so that the Bishop can begin to prepare a Diocesan Synthesis for the Holy Father, Pope Francis.

The third Phase of the Consultation will consist of a Diocesan Gathering during June so that the fruits of the consultation can be shared with the people of the diocese, before the Synthesis can be submitted to Rome.

There will be a letter read on Saturday/Sunday Masses, 5/6th February 2022. It is on this day that the paper questionnaires will be distributed and online questionnaires launched on the diocesan website at: www.dunkelddiocese.co.uk and will be found under the 'Synodality' tab.

The Synodal Church: Communion | Participation | Mission—The Bishops of Scotland are hosting an online Conference on the topic of the Synodal Church on Saturday 12th February at 2pm. The Keynote speaker will be Cardinal Mario Grech who is in overall charge of the process. The Conference can be watched live at bit.ly/BCOSYouTube