



Vigil Mass 4.30pm

Sunday 10.30am (also streamed)

Monday-Saturday 10am

Sunday Mass 11.45am

Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am

Saturday 9am

Vigil Mass 6pm

Sunday 9.15am

Mon & Wed 6.30pm

Fri 8.30am

Sunday 10th October—Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

The Revised Mass Schedule until the weekend 23rd-24th 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

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers —James Anderson, Mauricio Reyes, Violet Crockart, Kathleen Kerrigan and John Gibb, who have died recently; and Kathleen Gowans, Kevin, Agnes and Mark Stephens, Thomas Ravey, Irene Petrie, Eileen Smith, Mary Convery, Anthony McAndrew and Ella and John Jordan 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.

Contact Numbers: 01382 825203—Fr Alex; 01382 611282—Fr Mark & Fr Sebastian.

Absence from the Parish: Fr Mark will be away from the parish until Thurs 14th October.

October: The Month of the Holy Rosary: We will pray the rosary Monday-Saturday in St Mary's at 9.30am. The rosary in St Columba's and St Leonard & St Fergus' will continue to be prayed Monday—Saturday 20 beginning minutes before the times of Mass.

A Date for your Diaries: Justice & Peace Scotland has asked every diocese to hold a service "A Prayer for Our Earth" to pray for the success of the upcoming COP26 Conference in Glasgow. Canon Kevin Golden will hold one in St Andrew's Cathedral on Sunday 24th October at 3pm.

Mass Times: As from 23/24th October, we look set the Sunday morning Mass at St Leonard & St Fergus back to 10am and St Columba's to 11.30am, we also need to look at the Mass times in St Mary's. As it is likely that in due course, we will have a Mass in Polish at 12noon, we would keep the Sunday Morning Mass at 10.30am and continue to stream that Mass. I have had comments for and against keeping the Vigil at St Mary's at 4.30pm as some people feel safer coming our earlier in the winter and that is also gives people a choice within the parish communities. On the other hand, I know that it interferes with their people's schedules. We will not be able to suit everyone, but we would welcome feedback over the next couple of weekends.

Think Vocations / Pray for Vocations

"I prayed and wisdom was given me." Are you seeking to know what God's will might be for you? Pray for wisdom in discernment and speak to someone about it; ask advice of a priest or religious. Speak to Fr Mark, your local Vocations Director about priesthood, email *Priests for Scotland* or see the website or Facebook pages: PFS or VocationNetworkScotland.

Collections: St Mary's £1106 || St Columba's £247 || St Leonard & St Fergus' £535. 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,

Restoration Fund: Thanks to the anonymous donation of £50 received last weekend.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: The final total for this fundraising effort was £1,446, more than double the amount raised the last time we held the Coffee Morning. Thanks again to all who contributed in anyway to the raising of this money for such a worthy cause. There are gift aid forms for any tax payers who would like the charity to reclaim the tax aid on whatever they spent. This amounts to 25% of whatever was spent.

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 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: Those who wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue are asked to wait until the end of the Communion procession and come to the priest rather than to the Eucharistic Minister.

Masks in our churches: Just a gentle reminder that we are still advised to wear masks in church. I know that for many people this is uncomfortable, but others feel safer knowing that we are doing our best to follow this guidance. With numbers infected with COVID apparently on the rise again, in charity and with compassion for others, please continue to wear masks unless exempt.

Masks and Singing: Again as awkward and unpleasant as it is, I would ask you not to lower your mask when singing.

SPUC—Silent Vigil: Statistics inform us that 13,815 abortions were performed in Scotland last year. SPUC Dundee are holding the 18th consecutive annual Silent Vigil, commemorating the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act on Thursday 21st October in the City Square from 6-8pm. Please come along to witness to, and pray for, the babies lost to abortion and for the mothers and medical staff who are damaged by their part in abortion. You are very welcome to join for any time you can spare of the 2 hour event.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday:

Pope John XXIII (1881 - 1963)

Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was born in the village of Sotto il Monte, near Bergamo, in 1881. At the age of 11 he entered the seminary at Bergamo and later pursued his studies at the Pontifical Seminary in Rome. He was ordained priest in 1904. He was secretary to the Bishop of Bergamo but from 1921 onwards he served the Holy See directly in various posts, both in Rome and in Bulgaria, Turkey and Greece, culminating as Apostolic Nuncio to France from 1944 until 1953, when he was created cardinal and made the Patriarch of Venice. He was elected Pope in 1958. He convoked the Roman Synod, instituted the revision of Canon Law, and called the Second Vatican Council, which opened on 11 October 1962. He died while the Council was still in session, on the evening of 3 June 1963.

Friday:

St Teresa of Ávila (1515 - 1582)

She was born in Ávila in Spain and entered the Carmelite convent there at the age of 20, not because of any great attraction to the religious life but because it seemed the most sensible thing to do. At this time Carmelite convents were comfortable places. One was well looked after, had as much contact with the outside world as one wanted, and could keep one's own possessions. With time, and despite ill-health, she made great progress in contemplative prayer and had a number of mystical experiences, which she treated with great suspicion since she felt that she was not nearly holy enough to be accorded them by God.

Teresa's prayer life led her to seek a more perfect life, and in 1562, in the face of much opposition, she founded a convent of Discalced Carmelite nuns in Ávila. "Discalced" ("shoeless") signified their devotion to poverty....

St Teresa is an outstanding example of how the contemplative life can well up and overflow into action. In addition to all this, she wrote much on the subject of contemplative prayer and her writings are still standard works today. She was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Paul VI in 1970.

A favourite story about St Teresa illustrates the intimate relationship that the saints have with God. When she was on one of her innumerable journeys across Spain, her horse threw her as she was crossing a river. Soaked to the skin she looked up to heaven and said, "If this is how you treat your friends, no wonder you have so few of them!" We should bring everything to God in our prayers, even our reproaches. For a reproach, in the end, is simply our way of offering up to God our incomprehension of what he is giving us

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