

Vigil Mass at 4.30pm.

Sunday Mass 10.30am (livestreamed)

Mon - Sat Mass 10am

Confessions: Saturday 10.30-11am

Saturday 3.30pm-4pm

Stations of the Cross before each weekday Mass except Saturday.

Novena to St Anthony Tues Mass

Adoration: Saturday 10.30-11am

Sunday Mass 11.30am

Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am

Saturday 9am

Confessions after Saturday Mass

Stations of the Cross before each weekday Mass.

Adoration 8.30am Saturday

Vigil Mass 6pm

Sunday Mass 10am

Monday & Wednesday 6.30pm

Friday 8.30am; 9.30am (School Mass)

Confessions: Saturday 5.15- 5.45pm

Stations of the Cross before weekday Mass.

Adoration 6pm Wednesday.

Sunday 19th March, 4th Sunday in Lent (Laetare Sunday), Do you believe in the Son of Man? John9:1-41

Responsorial Psalm : **The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.**

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.

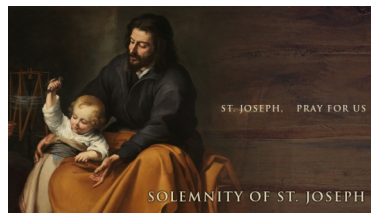
Communion Procession Refrain (St Mary's): **Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.**

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Agnes Crystal, Peter Elsdon, Irene McCulloch, Margaret Wales, Anne Flight, Jenny McFarlane; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Serafino Dora, Thomas J Brown, Margaret (Peggy) Young, John Drummond, Margaret Mordente, Pauline Robertson, Tom & Mary Brown.

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: Gordon Pirie, Alison Hogg, Marie Miller, Brian Davie, Archie MacCallum, Winnie McKenzie, William Reid, Alison Hogg, Agnes Mulligan & Paul Markie (this list will be cleared each calendar month). Please send any names for these lists to the parish email address or add them to the lists at the back of the church.

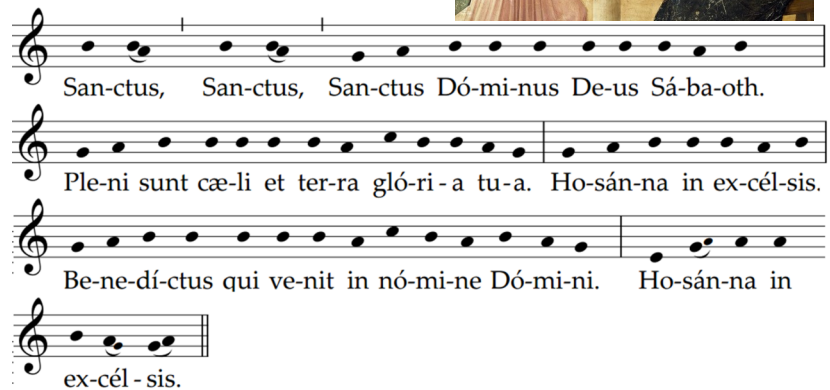
The 10am Saturday Mass in St Mary's will be offered every week for the sick of the parishes.



Two Solemnities this week:
St Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mon 20th.



The Annunciation of the Lord,
Saturday 25th March. (Getty images)



St Leonard and St Fergus

Catechism Class in preparation for First Holy Communion, for children who attend Non-denominational schools on Fridays at 4pm. Any child in primary 4 and above are welcome.

Linda Costello writes: 'After many years Benny Robertson is resigning as treasurer of the Ss Leonard and Fergus Conference of St Vincent de Paul. Is there anyone in the parish who would be willing to take on this task? We thank Benny for doing such a good job over the years.'

St Mary's Parish Council Meeting Thursday 23rd March at 7pm. Please pass items for agenda to a Council member or send to the parish email address below.

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St Leonard & St Fergus' - St Leonard's Place, Ardlar, Dundee. DD3 9HD Tel: 01382-825203

Serving Priests - Fr Jim Walls & Fr Alexander Obiorah; Deacon - Rev Len Moir

Tri-Parish Website - www.stmaryslochee.org.uk (stcolumbaskirkton.org.uk, stleonardandstfergus.org.uk)

Hospital Chaplain Mobile number 07821 624124; Safeguarding Coordinators: Emily Murphy, Susan Etle, Helen Grossi.

Finance Matters: Last week's collection:

St Columba's £338

SS Leonard & Fergus £908

St Mary's £1408

This week **Special Collection:** Papal & Episcopal Charities (including SCIAF)

Please consider Gift Aiding your collection and/or paying by Standing Order (forms available in the foyer). Gift Aid donors are reminded that they need to ensure that they have paid sufficient tax to cover claims.

Thanks to everyone who financially support the parishes; and enables the Church to reach out to those in need.

St Mary's Restoration Fund: 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner Anne Hampton (33).

St Columba's Bonus Ball has restarted please see Kathy Hutton for details.

St Columba's: would the person who uses the No.6 Gift Aid envelope please make themselves known to a member of the Finance Team.

SCIAF WEE BOX: please pick one up; as you know the money is targeted to some of the poorest people on our planet. As they say: the Wee Box makes a Big Difference.

Tri-Parish Matters:

SVdP Outreach: small wooden boxes at the back of the churches where anyone in need can place their name and phone number. These requests will be treated in the strictest confidence. Alternatively, place an envelope with the same information (mark it clearly SVdP) into the collection box/plate. These will be passed directly to a member of SVdP without being opened by anyone else, including the priests.

Please prayerfully support Susan Milne and Lewis Donnelly who are preparing to be received into Full Communion with the Church this Easter.

Kingdom Builders Required: we will shortly be endeavouring to recruit more people to take an active role in the church. Everyone has something to contribute in the building up of God's Kingdom through the Church. Please pray about becoming a Welcomer, Cantor, Reader, Cleaner, Flower Arranger, Fabric Team Member, Finance Team Member etc. **Ministry Sign-Up Sheets** are available in the foyer. Please keep them as a focus of your prayer throughout Lent so that at Easter you have a good sense of what God's asking of you with regard to engaging in parish life. May the Holy Spirit inspire you in prayer, fasting and almsgiving this Lent, and engage you ever more fully in the life of your parish, and of God.

Do you feel called to serve the people of God as a priest, religious or deacon? If so, please speak to Fr Alex or Fr Jim, or email Priests for Scotland or see the website or Facebook pages: PFS or VocationNetwork Scotland.

Dunkeld Serra: The next Holy Hour (6pm) and Holy Mass (7pm) to pray for Vocations and for our priests is Tuesday 25th April in The Immaculate Conception, Lochee. Please join us.

Hall Use: please note that our halls are available for private lets and community use at very competitive rates. For further information and bookings please contact stleonardandferguschurchhall@outlook.com or check out St Leonard and Fergus Church Hall Facebook Page; and for St Mary's Hall please contact Anne Hampton; and for St Columba's Arthur McEwan.

Open Doors: St Columba's Wednesday's 11am-1pm; **St Leonard & St Fergus'** Wednesday 10am to 3pm; **St Mary's** Community Café Saturday 12 noon until 2pm. Please pass the word and come along to enjoy a cup of tea, sandwiches and some comfort and cheer.

'A group of us have started up an Open Doors Café, on Wednesdays from 11:00am to 1:00pm in **St Columba's church hall**. It has been up and running for a few months now and we would love to welcome more people. Particularly for those who live in the Kirkton area, could you have a chat with people in your street that you talk to and invite them along? If you would like to know more about the café, you could have a chat with one of us. Angla, Sue, Susan, Monica, Rosalind and Ann.'

St Columba's Social Committee up and running if you'd like to help please speak to either Kathy, Sue or Ann.

Property Matters: St Columba's: Thanks to all those involved in the ongoing work in St Columba's Church House.

CONCERT

An evening of music and song performed by Cecilian Choir

St Mary's Lochee

Wednesday 22nd March

7pm-8pm

(Doors at 6.30pm)

(Refreshments afterwards)

FREE ENTRY

Optional donation on departure in aid of St Mary's Renovation fund

Continued thanks to Mgr Ken McCaffrey for helping to print the newsletter.

Parish Safeguarding Coordinators: Emily Murphy (Immaculate Conception), Susan Etle (St Columba's) and Helen Grossi (SS Leonard & Fergus) contact details are available in the foyer of each church.

Divine Renovation Lenten Faith Sharing Groups: do you desire to see your parish flourish...

- ◆ St Columba's after Sunday Mass
- ◆ St Mary's after Sunday Mass (12noon until 1pm), or 6.30pm on Thursday
- ◆ SS Leonard & Fergus after Sunday Mass (11.30am), or after 6.30pm Weds Mass.

Dates for your Social Calendar:

Mini Market, in St Mary's Hall after the Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday Mass. Proceeds to SCIAF.

Blackpool Comes to St Mary's, Afternoon of Music with Gary White, St Mary's Church Hall, Sunday 23rd April at 2.30pm. Tickets £7 from gerardfulton@yahoo.co.uk or tele 07496 539968. Proceeds to St Mary's Restoration Fund.

Refreshments in the Hall after Sunday Mass: Please come along and enjoy the company of your fellow parishioners.

Children's Liturgy helps ensure our young people hear the Word of God, and understand it, in an age appropriate way. Please encourage your child/children to attend.

St Columba's & St Mary's Repositories: why not spread the faith by giving your friends and family a religious gift.

Diocesan News

The Dunkeld Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage (14th to 21st July). You can currently place a note of interest with Joe Walsh Tours at <https://joewalshstours.co.uk> and application forms should be in parishes over the next few weeks. If you, or anyone you know, would like more information about our pilgrimage, the services offered by the Dunkeld Lourdes Service (yellow t-shirts) or our medical team please contact Ruth Anne O'Neill on ruthanne@pobox.com or 07801 227443.

Would you like to join Fr Johny Raphael and parishioners of St Clements/St Ninians on their **Pilgrimage to Fatima**? It is 5 days/ 4 nights – 20th to 24th June 2023. Flight from Scotland to Lisbon Tentative Cost £ 700/ £750 based on 2 sharing. If you would like more information please contact Fr Johny 07831 580 361 or Bernadette Dailly 07919106129 email bdailly@btinternet.com

The eye of faith

Some saw a blind man being cured and walked on amazed. Others saw the same cures and found faith. We can see things - every-day things - with different eyes. A sick woman may be seen with the eye of compassion for illness, hope for a cure/ profit from a profession. The Christian tries to see the world with the eye of faith.

Faith grows in many ways - by opening ourselves to our human desire for God, by mulling over the good things of life/ by experiencing the good within ourselves/ by looking over times of faith in the past and by allowing the goodness of others to bring us to new and stronger faith. This is the call of the gospel today - to open our eyes to the Lord who is at work in many ways.

We learn to see and love with the eye of faith by looking at the look of Jesus towards us. It is often a big jump to believe in what we cannot see. Even the blind man today was reminded by Jesus 'You are looking at the Son of Man/ he is speaking to you.' Jesus looks at each of us with faith in our goodness and with love.

Maybe we can walk around in this atmosphere of faith, "see-ing" God in a flower, in a parent holding a child" s hand, in a person pushing a wheelchair with courage/ and notice that in many ways God is near and the presence of Jesus is at hand.

*Let this verse echo in your mind from the hymn: Amazing Grace
I once was lost and now am found,
was blind and now I see.*

Lord, let me see you in the simple things of my life.

Donal Neary SJ:

Gospel Reflections for Sundays of Year A: Matthew

www.messenger.ie/bookshop/

Please submit names and items for this newsletter no later than Thursday evening.

Lenten Service

Tuesday 28th March at 6pm in St Mary's **Reconciliation Service** for those children (and families) making their First Holy Communions this year.

Friday 31st March at 2pm in St Mary's **The Way of the Cross** enacted by the P7 pupils

Holy Week Services (Mon 3th—Sat 8th April 2023)

Confessions during Holy Week

There will be Confessions available as follows:

St Leonard & St Fergus—Monday 6pm: Penitential Service with General Absolution

St Mary's—Tuesday 6pm Penitential Service with General Absolution

Friday and Saturday mornings—after Office of Readings and Morning Prayer

Masses: Monday—Wednesday

Monday: St Mary's 10am; St Leonard & St Fergus 6.30pm

Tuesday: St Columba's 8.30am; St Mary' 10am

Wednesday: St Mary's—Mass 10am; St Andrew's Cathedral—Chrism Mass 7pm.

Please note there will be no Mass in St Leonard & St Fergus on Wednesday evening.

Thursday: **No morning Masses.**

The Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday - 6th March

St Mary's— Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm; Watching at the Altar of Repose ending with Night Prayer at 9pm;

St Leonard & St Fergus'—Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm; Watching at the Altar of Repose ending with Night Prayer at 9pm;

Good Friday (A Day of Fasting and Abstinence) - 7th March

St Mary's—Office of Readings and Morning Prayer 10am; **Passion of the Lord 3pm.**

St Leonard & St Fergus—Office of Readings and Morning Prayer 9am; Stations of the Cross 12noon

St Columba's—Passion of the Lord 3pm.

Holy Saturday - 8th March

St Mary's—Office of Readings and Morning Prayer 10am;

St Columba's—Office of Readings and Morning Prayer 9am.

(Confessions available only in the morning after the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer)

Please note that there are no early Vigil Masses on Holy Saturday - 9th March

Easter Vigil: St Mary's 8.30pm; St Leonard & St Fergus 8.30pm.

(The Church decrees that the Solemn Vigil may only take place after dusk).

Easter Sunday: Masses as usual—

St Leonard & St Fergus 10am; St Mary's 10.30am; St Columba's 11.30am.