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Sunday 9nd April, Easter Sunday, He must rise from the dead John 20:1-9

Responsorial Psalm: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ our Passover, has been sacrificed: let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Communion Procession Refrain (St Mary's): And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.

There will be no Newsletter next Sunday, therefore please find below Mass/Service Times for the week beginning Saturday/Sunday 15/16th April.

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Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Anne Flight, Gail Johnston, and Irene Livingston; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Helen and Joe O'Brien, Brother Columba Gallagher, John McGuire, Dennis Sandeman, Edward Lowden, Leslie Dyer, Helen O'Brien, Fr John O'Farrell and Margaret Russell.

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: (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.

Funerals:

SSL&F Funeral Mass of Anne Flight on Monday 10th April at 1.15pm

St Mary's Funeral Mass of Irene Livingston on Thursday 20th April at 10am.

May they rest in peace.

Finance Matters: Last week's collection/ **SCIAF**

St Columba's £393

SS Leonard & Fergus £870

St Mary's £1517/£345

Next **Special Collection** is for the Apostolate of Communications and will be taken up on 21st May.

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 supports the parishes; and enables the Church to reach out to those in need.

SS Leonard & Fergus 100 Club: Last week's winner (85) Helen Christie this week's winner (35) Gary White

Mary's Restoration Fund: 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner Anne Hampton (21).

St Patrick's Night raised £661 for St Mary's Renovation Fund. Thanks to Steve Keenan for organizing this.

St Columba's Bonus Ball is back up and running again. See Kathy Hutton for details.

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.

Sign Up Sunday will be on the 4th Sunday of Easter (30 April). This will allow Avril Kidd (Chair of SSL&F) to present at the end of Sunday Masses about what Sign up Sunday is about, and what is required in the various ministries. **Ministry Sign-Up Sheets** are available in the foyer. Please continue to prayerfully discern how God is calling you to use your talents and time to more fully engage in parish life. Our parishes depend on each of us engaging.

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 (arthurtmcewan@gmail.com).

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.

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

New Organ: many thanks to Jim Murphie for organizing the transfer of an organ from the Cathedral to St Mary's. This organ is on long term loan thanks to the generosity of Canon Kevin Golden and Joe Antribus. May God bless them both.

Mgr Aldo Angelosanto's 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood: Monday 3rd July at 6.30pm in St Anne's Church, Carnoustie. As you know Mgr Aldo has been a good faithful priestly servant to the Church and God's people. St Mary's will put on a bus for this Mass if anybody would like to book a seat please sign the transport sheet at the back of the church. Also, it would be fitting if St Mary's celebrated Mgr's anniversary with a Mass and refreshments, however, given the uncertainty of the renovations we will have to await the result of our various grant applications before setting a date.

Thanks to all those who helped to prepare our parishes for Holy Week, the Triduum, and Easter Sunday. This includes the cleaners, the sacristans, the flower arrangers, the servers, the readers, the cantors, the musicians, the fire lighters, welcomers, children liturgists, and those who provided the catering. And thanks to the Indian Family who kept me supplied with traditional dishes for the days of the Triduum. Many hands make light work, please think about signing up for one of these ministries on Sign Up Sunday (4th Sunday of Easter). What are your talents, and how could you use them in the Church for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom?

Over the last couple of weeks St Mary's parish has been helped by two priests: Mgr Ken McCaffrey who helped with the children's second confessions, and Fr Greg Murphy O.P. who was the homilist at our Penitential Service. Our prayers and thanks to both. Fr Greg has generously agreed to help out with some weekday Masses whilst Fr Alex enjoys a well earned rest.

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.

Thanks to all those who participated in the **Divine Renovation Lenten Faith Sharing Groups**, especially those who led the groups. It has been suggested that we meet one further time after Easter to round off our deliberations and discern a way forward. To this end I suggest that we meet in the same groups and same times during the Second Week of Easter (i.e. the week beginning Monday 17th April). In the meanwhile I'll endeavour to highlight some of the key themes: **Theme 2—The Need for Change:** Fr Mallon realized after moving into a large parish that was the result of an amalgamation of 3 smaller parishes that there was nothing stopping this larger parish going the same way as the 3 smaller parishes, that is, diminishing, as nothing in the way it was being run or its culture had changed. He talked about how to transform the culture of a Parish Community through: Giving priority to the weekend; Hospitality; Uplifting Music; Homilies; Meaningful Community; Clear Expectations; Strength-based ministry; Formation of small communities; Experience of the Holy Spirit; and Becoming and Inviting Church.

The next step...Fr Keith Herrera (Cathedral Administrator, St Mary's Aberdeen) had agreed to come and give us a talk on the Holy Spirit and Alpha as Saturday 6th May clashed with the Coronation we are currently trying to reorganize.

A Prayer for the church to fulfil its mission:

Lord Jesus Christ, you have given your Church
the mission to proclaim the Gospel to all the nations.
Help us to begin this day to follow your commandment
to share the good news about Jesus.
May we be faithful witnesses to the love of Jesus
that we know in our own lives.
May we speak words of kindness and grace,
that touches lives and draws others to you.
Help us to communicate to others the joy that we have received.
Help us to speak boldly whenever we have the opportunity to do so,
and may your Spirit go before us opening up conversations
and giving us wisdom to know what to say and how to say it.
Teach us to remain respectful of others,
but to be bold disciples.
In Jesus name we pray: Amen

'Receiving the Bread of Life, the disciples of Christ ready themselves to undertake with the strength of the Risen Lord and his Spirit the tasks which await them in their ordinary life. For the faithful who have understood the meaning of what they have done, the Eucharistic celebration does not stop at the church door. Like the first witnesses of the resurrection, Christians who gather each Sunday to experience and proclaim the presence of the Risen Lord are called to evangelise and bear witness in their daily lives.' (John Paul II, Dies Domini, 45)

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.

Pentecost Sunday Party - after Mass in St Mary's Church Hall—Celebrating our Diversity/Catholicity

St Mary's is planning a *Celebration of our Diversity*. Would all the different nationalities attending St Mary's think about how they could contribute to the Mass e.g. sing a hymn in Tagalog, a reading in Tamil. Then after the celebration of Holy Mass we would celebrate our different cultures through dance, song, national dress, and food in the hall. Please start to think about how we can truly celebrate our Catholicism, our Universal Church, our diversity in unity, in our good God.

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.

The Dunkeld Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage (14th to 21st July) (<https://joewalshstours.co.uk>) 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.

Please submit names and items for this newsletter no later than Thursday evening. Once again thanks to Mgr Ken McCaffrey for printing off our newsletters. This might become a more permanent arrangement, as sharing a photocopier would be a considerable saving for both parishes.

Alleluia - for singing, not for humming!

The reason for the joy of Easter is that Christ is risen - the women who came to the tomb found their joy in this. They may have found joy also in a beautiful dawn in the garden, or in their friendships, but the joy of Easter is a joy of faith, which nothing need take away.

The joy of the resurrection is a joy in giving the life we have received from God: 'Life grows by being given away, and it weakens in isolation and comfort. Indeed, those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others' (Pope Francis). The Alleluia is for singing, not for humming; it is to be heard from the voice of the heart, and should lift the hearts of those who hear:
'Jesus Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!'

We often see great joy in the middle of huge poverty: often the poor can live for the present moment and enjoy it to the full. Sometimes in the middle of illness we find a peace we don't know from where it comes. The grace of the risen Jesus can touch our lives at any time. Let's not be like Christians 'whose lives seem like Lent without Easter' (Pope Francis). Having lived through the joyful season of Lent, our hearts are wholly lifted now in joy received and joy given.

*Breathe in and out: on the inbreath echo the word 'joy';
on the outbreath echo the word 'thanks'.
Risen Christ, raise our lives in joy.*

**Alleluia,
May all the joys of Easter be yours!
Praise the Lord, pass round the Eggs
Christ has risen
Alleluia !**

