

<p>Vigil Mass at 4.30pm. Sunday Mass 10.30am (livestreamed) Monday—Saturday Mass 10am except Friday which has Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion Ascension Thursday: 10am, 6.30pm</p> <p>Confessions: Saturday 10.30-11am Saturday 3.30-4pm</p> <p>Rosary before each weekday Mass Novena to St Anthony Tues Mass Adoration: Saturday 10.30-11am.</p>	<p>Sunday Mass 11.30am Tuesday 8.30am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion</p> <p>Ascension Thursday: 9am Mass (Holy Day of Obligation)</p> <p>Saturday 9am Confessions: on request Rosary before each weekday service</p>	<p>Vigil Mass 6pm Sunday Mass 10am Monday 6.30pm Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion Ascension Thursday: Vigil 6.30pm (Wed); 11am, 1.30pm Friday 9.30am (Class) Mass (parishioners welcome) Confessions: Saturday 5.15-5.45pm Rosary before each weekday service Adoration: Wednesday 6pm</p>
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6th Sunday of Easter, **I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate**

John 14:15-21

Responsorial Psalm: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

Communion Procession Refrain (St Mary's): God so loved the world He created, that He gave his only Son.

Not to condemn but rescue His People: All who believe in Him shall have life!

Recessional Hymn: Regina Caeli, Regina Caeli, Laetare. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia.

Quia quem meruisti portare, quem meruisti portare. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia

Resurrexit sicut dixit (x2) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Ora,ora, ora pro nobis Deum, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



A Tri-Parish event in preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost:

Fr Keith Herrera will talk on the Holy Spirit and Alpha today (Sunday 14th May) starting at 2.30pm and concluding at 4.30pm in St Mary's Church Hall, Gray's Lane, Lochee. DD2 3AP

A prayer for Fr Keith Herrera & the Renewal of our Parishes: Loving Lord,

We have set out on the path of Divine Renovation trusting in your abundant goodness. As Pentecost approaches we await the Holy Spirit to breath new life in us, and in our parishes. Inspire Fr Keith Herrera's words to put new heart within us, and allow us to put out into the deep, courageous in our attempts to draw others into our parishes and Your loving embrace. Amen.

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Dorothy McGeoghie, Jean McLaughlin, Kenneth McMinn, Peter Burns, & John Bain; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ronald Pankhurst, Doris & Peter Markie, Mary Grieve, Bernard McMullen, Nan Fyffe, Catherine McGuire, William Donnet Jnr, Mina Costello, Lewis Gowans, Helen Edwards, & Charles Christie. 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: Denny Reid, William Reid, Andy Madoc Jones, Paul Markie, Allan McCaig, Scott Brown, Brian Davie, Nathaniel Sta Maria, Deoduth Jooty, (this list is 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: St Mary's: Jean McLaughlin, Funeral Mass, Tuesday 16th May at 10am, thereafter Birkhill Cemetery.

St Mary's: Kenneth McMinn, Funeral Mass, Thursday 25th May, at 10am, thereafter 1.30pm Markinch Cemetery

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Serving Priests - Fr Jim Walls & Fr Alexander Obiorah;

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 / **SCIAF Wee boxes**

St Columba's £384

SS Leonard & Fergus £951/**£40**

St Mary's £1495

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.

Financial transparency: as well as the parish accounts having recently been audited (and summary accounts having been published in this Newsletter) it is incumbent upon the parish to account for every penny that comes in and goes out. This means that any money collected in our Churches (such as Special Collections) is required to go through the Parish Bank Account, before being issued. The only two exceptions (that are sanctioned by the Parish Priest) are the SVDP Collection and Collections made at the end of funerals. The SVDP is a separate charity who is audited annually, and have their own financial protocols; and the Funeral Directors have their own approved financial protocols. If any other organization wishes to collect in the church they must have the express permission of the Parish Priest, and abide by the protocols laid down by the Diocese which are informed by the Charity Regulator OSCR.

Mary's Restoration Fund: 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner Susan Arnott (101).

SS Leonard & Fergus 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner Linda Colgan (66)

St Columba's Bonus Ball is now up and running.

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.

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 & family a religious gift.

The Dunkeld Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage (14th to 21st July) (<https://joewalstours.co.uk>) If you, or anyone you know, would like more information about our pilgrimage, the services offered by the Dunkeld Lourdes Service or our medical team please contact Ruth Anne O'Neill on ruthanne@pobox.com or 07801 227443.

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 30th May in The Immaculate Conception, Lochee. Thanks to those who support this important initiative.

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 Open Door Café welcomed four senior pupils and their headteacher from St Paul's Highschool. The young people came to entertain us with their musical skills. The performances were of such high quality that we'd like to advertise their end of session performance of the musical 'Frozen'. Tickets will be available from the school for the 13th, 14th and 15th of June.

In order to financially support the St Columba's Open Door Café there will be box (taking the place of the SVDP box) at the back of St Columba's on the First Sunday of Each Month.

Mass Cover: A huge 'thank you' to Fr Greg Murphy O.P. for covering weekday Masses in SSLF and St Columba's whilst Fr Alex was away. Also our thanks to Mgr Martin Drysdale for supplying in St Mary's whilst I said the Sunday Masses in SS Leonard & Fergus, and St Columba's. And last but not least a 'thank you' to Deacon Charles Hendry for helping out with funerals. Please keep all priests and deacons in your prayers (in this time of fewer priests when we are all being stretched thin) as well as Bishop Stephen who is recovering from surgery.

Dates for your Calendar:

Pentecost Sunday Mass 10.30am in St Mary's – Celebrating Our Diversity and Catholicity followed by an International party in the hall. The **final preparation meeting is Sunday 21st May after 10.30am Mass.**

Choir Practice for Pentecost Sunday Mass, Friday 19th & 26th May at 6.30pm in St Mary's Church. All Welcome.

Procession and Celebration in Honour of Our Lady—a Diocesan Synodal Event—The Feast of the Visitation of Our Lady, Wednesday 31 May at 6.30pm at St Mary's, Our Lady of Victories Church, Forebank Road, Dundee. Followed by refreshments and an update from the Diocesan Synod Group. All are welcome, especially those who have represented the parishes at these events before.

St Columba's Social Committee is holding a **Beetle Drive** on Friday, 2nd June at 7.30pm. Tickets will be on sale shortly, priced £3 per adult, £1 per child. Any donations for raffle prizes would be gratefully received.

Further suggestions on how to raise funds for the Church's upkeep would be gratefully received.

Mgr Aldo Angelosanto's 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood: Monday 3rd July at 6.30pm in St Anne's Church, Carnoustie. If anyone requires transport please sign the sheet at the back of St Mary's. If there is enough interest we'll hire a bus. The sign up deadline is Sunday 11th June, as the organisers require numbers.

Oggie! Oggie! Oggie! - a one man play about the life of St Augustine will be performed in St Mary's Church Hall on Saturday 29th July at 7.30pm. Stephen Callaghan: the writer and actor of the play is also Creative Director of the Archdiocese of Glasgow Art Project. More details to follow.

Fr Donal Neary, S.J

Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew

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No body now but yours...

St Teresa's prayer is popular in this adaptation-

*Christ has no body now but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on this world.
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do well.
Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
You are his eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on this world.
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.*

Jesus speaks in the gospel about being still alive, even after his death. Mostly we find Jesus alive in the love of others. The energy of love that is connected to the energy of God, for God is love. Other times we find God close to us in prayer; but where we can sense him alive mostly is in the ordinary and extraordinary loves of every day, in marriage, family, friendship and care for others.

Many of us do not realise that in this way we have been Christ-bearers. In listening to another, in care of all sorts, in putting ourselves out for the other, in working for justice and for peace the Spirit of God is alive and people are touched by God's love through the co-operation of ordinary men and women.



The Solemnity of the Ascension this coming Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass times

SS Leonard & Fergus: Vigil 6.30pm (Weds); 11am (with St Fergus P.S.) ; 1.30pm (with St Andrew's P.S.)

St Columba's: 9am

St Mary's: 10am (with St Mary's P.S.); 6.30pm

The Catholic Catechism summarizes three important theological aspects of the Ascension: Christ's Ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, whence he will come again (cf. Acts 1:11); this humanity in the meantime hides him from the eyes of men (cf. Col 3:3).

Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his Body, may live in the hope of one day being with him for ever.

Jesus Christ, having entered the sanctuary of heaven once and for all, intercedes constantly for us as the mediator who assures us of the permanent outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Kathleen Treacy writes:

Grateful appreciation for recent donations that allowed £350 to be forwarded to **Mary's Meals** feeding programme; as well as over £200 from recycled ink cartridges. Many thanks.

Parish Renewal

Divine Renovation through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit...

The Early Church gathered in fear in the Upper Room afraid to venture forth with the Good News that Jesus had Risen and Ascended, however, at Pentecost the Holy Spirit was sent to give them the courage to go out to the whole world.

2000 years later this is still our mission...and we still need to be encouraged to go forth.

The early disciples spent their time in the Upper Room in prayer...in preparation for Pentecost we too need to spend time in prayer. Fr Keith Herrera's talk this Sunday will help prepare us for the fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Please make every effort to attend this talk. Fr Keith's talk will also describe how the Alpha Course will enable us to become 'missionary disciples', boldly taking the Good News to the people of our time.

Parish Restoration through using the Gifts that the Holy Spirit has endowed us with...

Each of our parishes are in need of renewal and revival, and this will only come about when each of us encounters the Holy Spirit in a life-giving manner, and are willing to give of our time and energy for the upbuilding of the Kingdom through our parish.

The Sign Up Sheets are a way of enabling you to give of your time and talents. Every parishioner should complete a form so that we have an inventory of who's doing what, and what talents lie dormant in our parishes.

St Mary's Restoration Steering Group met recently and identified the need for more people to get involved as the Restoration Project is, and will create, a huge amount of work that needs to be shared more widely and fairly within our community. Please note in the Sign Up Sheet if you would be willing to engage in this project.

Pentecost Sunday Ministry Forms are available in St Mary's Church foyer. These are for anyone who would like to be involved either in the Liturgy or in the provision of food and entertainment in the hall afterwards.

In preparation for Fr Keith's talk and the Coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost:

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



Please note that the Minutes for St Mary's Parish Council, and St Columba's Parish Council, are on the Notice-board, and copies are available in the foyer for anyone who would like to have a closer look. Thanks to Emily Murphy, and Martyn Norman, the Parish Council Secretaries. The next St Columba's Parish Council Meeting is on Tuesday 30th May at 7pm in the Church Hall, and SS Leonard & Fergus Parish Council Meeting is re-arranged for Monday 29th May at 7.15pm in Church Flat.

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