

<p style="text-align: center;">Vigil Mass at 4.30pm. Sunday Mass 10.30am (livestreamed) Mon - Sat Mass 10am (Tuesday 11 July, Six month mind Mass celebrated for Susan Cassidy)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Confessions: Saturday 10.30-11am Saturday 3.30pm-4pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rosary before weekday Mass. Novena to St Anthony after Tues Mass Adoration: Saturday 10.30-11am</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday Mass 11.30am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday & Thursday 8.30am Saturday 9am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Confessions after Saturday Mass</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rosary before weekday Mass.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vigil Mass 6pm Sunday Mass 10am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday & Wednesday 6.30pm Friday 9.30am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Confessions: Saturday 5.15-5.45pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rosary before weekday Mass. Eucharistic Adoration 6pm Wednesday.</p>
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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) I am gentle and humble in heart.

Matthew 11:25-30

Responsorial Psalm: I will bless your name forever, O God my King.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

St Mary's Sanctuary Re-ordering—All materials originated from the Altar upon which Pope Benedict celebrated the open air Mass in Bellahouston Park, Glasgow in September 2010. Altar designed by Niamh Quail, with the bow fronted decorative elements and bookrest taken from Ambo/Lectern, all other Carrara marble re-built from material coming from the mensa of the Altar on which the Pope celebrated mass. The bookrest on the lectern is the original lectern bookrest from the Pope's mass with the exception of 2 small engraved panels, all materials have now been used either within St Catherine's Labouré Church, Glasgow or Immaculate Conception, Dundee.

SS Leonard and Fergus: Someone yet unknown is using the back of the Church for dumping. Any Parishioner who has any knowledge of whom the person is should like please inform the Priests. Thank you.

Congratulations to **Mgr Ken McCaffrey** who this weekend is given the significant honour of being the Chieftain of the Alva Games. A cause which he has long supported.

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Billy Kemlo, Kathleen Reilly, Emma McPherson, Bridie Fogarty, Jean Fair, Agnes Kennedy, Margert Nolan Keith, & May Carr; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Barbara Reilly, Theresa Kennedy; Maureen and Roland Rose, Patrick Mulligan, Nan Grant, Kevin Grant, Alex Pankhurst, Frank Wilson, Mary Chivers, Mary Morgan, Frank Kelbie and Frances Kelbie. 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: Paul Markie, John Boyle, Andy Madoc Jones, Donna Taylor, Susan Arnott, Kathleen Mitchell, Brian Davie, Lindsay Milton, Margaret Cattigan, Deoduth Jooty, Denise Kennedy, Claire Walker; John Urquhart, Scott Brown, (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.

Funeral: St Mary's, May Carr, Reception of Remains Weds 12th July at 6.30pm; Funeral Mass Thurs 10am.

Susan Cassidy's Six Months Mind: Tuesday 11th July 10am Mass, St Mary's.

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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|**Peter's Pence** **St C's** £364|**91** **SS L&F** £960|**278** **St M's** £1610|**391**

Monsignor Aldo's Golden Jubilee: **St Columba's** £130 **SS Leonard & Fergus** £ 250 **St Mary's** £305

The next Special Collection (The Apostleship of the Sea) will be taken up next Sunday, 16th July.

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: If any person/organisation 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 as informed by OSCR.

SS Leonard & Fergus 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner Ina Turnbull (18) .

Mary's Restoration Fund: 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner Yvonne St Clair(24).

St Columba's Bonus Ball...why not join in...

St Mary's Summer Fayre: After Vigil Mass on Saturday and Sunday morning Mass. All proceeds will go towards the Restoration Fund. There will be Cake and Candy, Tombola, Bric-a-brac and the usual stalls.

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: 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.

St Mary's Repository (and Spiritual Library) have now moved into the room at the back of the Church which can be accessed through the door previously occupied by St Francis.

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: no meeting until August.

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:

- St Leonard and Fergus Church Hall Facebook Page or email stleonardandferguschurchhall@outlook.com
- St Columba's Hall please contact Susan Etle on settle123@hotmail.co.uk
- St Mary's Hall please contact Yvonne St Clair on yvonne_stclair@yahoo.co.uk or 07708294557

Open Doors: St Columba's will close for the Summer holidays and re-open on Wednesday the 16th of August **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.

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

St Mary's—Choir Development. At the recent sign-up session a number of parishioners expressed an interest in joining the Choir. This is your opportunity! Our former organist, Jim Murphie (now trainee deacon) and our current organist, Karen Scott, are going to be collaborating on a project to expand and develop the Sunday Mass choir. It is hoped the enlarged choir will begin to sing at Mass after the school holidays, but between now and then, we would ask those of you who signed up for the choir – and anyone else who didn't sign up but are interested in singing with us – to come forward and speak to Jim and Karen after Mass on the next few Sundays. You don't need experience of singing in choirs, just natural enthusiasm and a willingness to come along to rehearse for one hour each week! 'He or she who sings, prays twice'! (St Augustine)

Dates for your Calendar:

St Mary's, Taizé Prayer, Thursday 13th July 2023 from 7-8pm. **All welcome.** For anyone unfamiliar with Taizé prayer: Since 1940, the Taizé Community in France has developed a way of praying through scripture and song, setting short biblical texts to music. These short choruses are repeated several times and lead us from praise and thanksgiving into deeper contemplation of the mystery of God's love and mercy. The candlelight in the Church reminds us of the light of Christ: even when the night is very dark, either in our own life or in the world, Christ's love is a fire that never goes out. Each prayer service includes this type of sung prayer at the start, as well as intercessory prayers at the end. There are also scripture readings and a short commentary on a biblical text. The whole prayer service takes place in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament - which is exposed throughout - and there is time for silent Adoration too. The voice of God is often heard only in a whisper, in a breath of silence. Remaining in silence in God's presence, open to the Holy Spirit, is already a prayer. The service concludes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St Mary's Guided Tour of Church Monday 17th July at 6pm; entrance free, refreshments afterwards.

Oggie! Oggie! Oggie! - (as part of a Pre-Fringe Summer Tour) a New Modern Solo Play based on the Confessions of St Augustine. Written and performed by Stephen Callaghan will now take place in **St Mary's Church** (rather than hall) on Saturday 29th July at 7.30pm. Stephen is also Creative Director of the Archdiocese of Glasgow Art Project. **Tickets** from www.oggie-dundee.eventbrite.co.uk or 0749 534 7884 and a limited number are available from Norah Sloan (Vigil) and Maureen Murray (10.30am) after Mass in St Mary's

Would you like to join Group 2322 travelling to Lourdes and back from Dundee on 7th to 16th September 2023?

ACROSS is looking for a nurse (or retired nurse who is still registered) to join their medical team. The fare will be completely subsidised by group funds (excluding travel insurance). For more information, please contact **Pauline Veal** tel. **01382 668957** or mobile **07867950633**

St Mary's Doors Open Day (Saturday 23rd September, 11.30am until 4pm) Church tours & refreshments.

The People versus Jack the Ripper by Michael Mulford (Retired Investigative Journalist)—Saturday 7th October at 7pm in St Mary's Church Hall. More details to follow.

Parish Renewal Prayer Group—Every Thursday after Mass in St Mary's. This group will pray specifically for a renewal of faith and missionary fervour in our parishes. All are welcome. See prayer on back page.

SS Leonard & Fergus' Sanctuary & Gathering Space Reordering: Fr Alex, Fr Jim, John O'Meara and a couple of members of the Fabric Team/Parish Council met with the MD of Ormsby's Church Suppliers to discuss the reordering of SSLF's sanctuary. He will now produce a floor plan of the final format. It was agreed that a disabled toilet would replace the Confessional room as is, and that a new Confessional would be situated behind the altar. A foyer encapsulating the space at the back of the church would be created via a floor to roof screen of wood and insulated glass. Bruno Ormsby (the MD) revealed that the altar furnisher that was promised has been slow in being released by another diocese, however he and (John O'Meara suggested) Malcolm Veal (our Diocesan Chancellor) will approach said diocese. It was stressed that the alterations were required for the 2025 and the 50th Anniversary Celebrations.

St Columba's Six Month Review: Fr Jim, Fr Alex, and reps of the Parish Council met with Malcolm Veal (Chancellor of the Diocese) and John Smith (Vice Chancellor) for a six month review. This meeting is part of the process whereby St Columba's has been granted an 18 month window (starting January 2023) to show that it is a viable parish. The meeting heard how numbers attending St Columba's Sunday Mass were up slightly to approximately 50. It also heard that despite spending £10K on a new boiler that the finances were stable. An appeal from the Community Officer of Strathmartine for St Columba's to offer some of the services currently run from the library during its refurbishment in 12 months time was discussed. Fr Alex and PC members were asked to contact the Community Officer to discuss the length of cover required and other possibilities. The Council reached out to the Parish to see the possibility of temporarily providing some of the facilities needed for some Community services held at Kirkton Community Centre when the Centre is being renovated. The discussion is on-going.

St Mary's thanks to **Fr Johny Raphael** and parishioners of St Clements who allowed us to have 21 hardback Catholic Hymns Old & New that weren't being used.

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

Divine Renovation + Building Restoration = Parish Renewal

St Mary's Restoration: Phase 1—Exterior (Stonework, Guttering, Roof) - Costing—£250,000

As you know we are in the process of applying for a £100K grant from Historic Environment Scotland (HES) for the exterior of the St Mary's. **Update: The application to HES has been submitted for 30th June deadline. Please keep a favourable outcome in your prayers.** This is only 40% of the actual cost of the work. The other 60% has to be found from other Grant Awarding Bodies and Parish Fundraising. Please note this is only for the exterior of the church, and does not include interior work such as a new heating system or disabled toilet or restoration of the organ. Also, it does not include restoration and modernization of the hall; for this we are looking to apply for a National Lottery Grant, however, this will require a lot from us, the Restoration Steering Group and History Sub-Group are working hard on your behalf, however, we need you to be involved: if you have any skills that might help or any contacts that might help, please be in touch. If you are unable to volunteer please keep St Mary's Restoration Project in your prayers.

Thanks again to all those who have donated; £5540 has been banked since the articles in the Courier/Tele and our Just Giving page is sitting at £3000.

If anybody else would like to make a donation to the Restoration Fund please do so by scanning the QR code, or go to www.justgiving.com/campaign/stmarys-lochee



Photo appeal: If you have any photos of St Mary's, or any photos of celebrations at St Mary's, please consider loaning them to the parish. for helping to create the display boards at the back of St Mary's.

A significant aspect of St Mary's Restoration will be to create a greener environment around and within the church. If you have any experience and/or connections in the Environmental Field please come forward.

Pope Francis published an encyclical on the environment called **Laudato Si** (meaning "**Praise be to You**"): "Today, however, we have to realize that a true ecological approach *always* becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the *cry of the earth and the cry of the poor*". (Chapter 1:Paragraph 49)

St Mary's Heating System is being updated and made more efficient. Holy Mass needed to be celebrated in the hall last week as work got underway. Necessarily we're going to have to be flexible and patient as the restoration work commences. Also, there are no grants available for reworking a heating system so the costs for this will have to come from parish funds, thankfully due to your previous fundraising we have sufficient.

Harrisons & Harrisons (**Organ Builders**) spent an afternoon inspecting St Mary's Organ last week; we await their report. This will help determine whether the organ is worth restoring.

Next meeting of the **Restoration Steering Group:** Friday 14th July at 4pm.

St Mary's Restoration History Sub Group meet with Prof Graeme Morton Friday 14th July at 10.30am.

St Mary's Leadership Team: We are currently going through training and refining the parish's vision statement: "A place where people experience God in a personal way, so that they become delighted disciples, joyously putting God first, and willing to invite others to

explore the love of God for them through our parish community."

This week we continued discussing how the parish could be structured so that the priest could delegate authority for different areas of parish life. To this end Anne Hampton was tasked with convening a Fabric Team to help Allan Blyth carry out the compulsory parish maintenance work. Lynn Smith will contact all those who signed up to help with Children's Liturgy and Hospitality after Sunday Mass; and will look into running Alpha in the Autumn. Jim Murphie will work on getting a baptismal preparation course up and running, whilst Marian Milne will liaise with Emily Murphy and Pauline Johnstone in producing new rotas for welcomers, readers, and Eucharistic Ministers.

A prayer for the Renewal of our Parishes:

We have set out on the path of Divine Renovation trusting in your abundant goodness. May the Holy Spirit breathe new life in us, put new heart within us and inspire us to put out into the deep, sharing your love with others and drawing them into Your loving embrace.

We implore you to use us to renew our parishes, making them places where everybody will feel at home, where we will all come closer to God. We pray that the Holy Spirit will fan into a flame the gifts God has given us.

Our Lady Pray for us.

St Joseph, patron of the universal Church. Pray for us Please keep Kimberley McLean and Ryan Leslie in your prayers as they prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage in St Mary's Lochee.

St Mary's Reader/Eucharist Ministers Rotas Starting 23rd July available in foyer.