



# St Mary's, Lochee, Dundee

# NEWSLETTER

Called to be bearers of Good News

**Our Parish Vision:** "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."

## 2 June, Corpus Christi, Year B

**First Reading—Exodus 24:3-8**

**This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.**

**Second Reading—Hebrews 9:11-15**

**The blood of Christ can purify our inner self from dead actions.**

**Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!**

**Gospel—Mark 14:12-16, 22-26**

**This is my body. This is my blood.**

## Sacred Liturgy Schedule

**Vigil Mass at 4.30pm.**

**Sunday Mass 10.30am (livestreamed)  
(refreshments after Mass in hall...all welcome)**

**Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat Mass 10am**

**Weds 10am Eucharistic Service**

**Confessions:**

**Saturday 10.30-11am**

**Saturday 3.30pm-4pm**

**9.20am The Rosary before weekday Mass.**

**Tues: Novena to St Anthony post Mass**

**Thurs: Adoration & prayers for the renewal of St Mary's Parish after Mass**

**Sat: Adoration 10.30-11am**

**Next Sunday's Readings: Genesis 3:9-15; Psalm 129; Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35**

## Corpus Christi Procession

The Blessed Sacrament procession will take place this Sunday, 2nd June at 3pm in St Andrew's Cathedral.

Please come and join the hour of adoration, reflection and Song.

Please remember in your prayers the children of St Mary's who made their First Holy Communion this weekend.

Pray that these young people may grow into what they eat: the Bread of Life for others.

**Our Beloved Dead:** Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Charles Lafferty, Fr Bogdan Palka SDS, Aileen Robbie, Jim Quinn Snr, Teresita Busalpa, Elizabeth Armstrong and Teresa Cushnie; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Len Hearn, John Borzoni, Joseph Russell, Scott Pankhurst, Catherine Divers, Catherine Marks, Barbara Hammond and Coleen O'Neill. May they rest in peace.



**Prayers for the sick:** Please continue to remember the sick and the terminally ill in your prayers, especially those mentioned on our sick lists: John Gardiner, Stephen Petrie, Phyllis Hastie, Scott Brown, Bobby Gardiner, Susan Ramsay, Margaret Turner, Billy Higgins, Ann Reilly, Martin Conroy, Jacqui Conroy, Wendy Birnie, Harry Hill, George Charles Milne, M.A. Young, Agnes Milne, Veronica Cornock and Kate Cuthill (this list is cleared each calendar month).

May Our Lady of Lourdes (The Immaculate Conception) intercede for them.

Please send any names for these lists to the parish email address or add them to the list in foyer.

**Funerals:** Teresa Cushnie (Nee Mulholland), Tuesday 11th June @ 12.30pm Dundee Crematorium.

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Serving Priest - Fr Jim Walls; Trainee Deacon—Jim Murphie

Hospital Chaplain Mobile number 07821 624124; Safeguarding Coordinator: Emily Murphy

**Finance Matters:** Last week's collection: £1265 (plus a £520 cheque, with Gift Aid added will increase by 25%)  
Restoration Fund: £29.30 & £1409 raised from the Aiming High play.

Thanks to the Celtic Foundation for donating a signed strip. This will be raffled/auctioned in the near future in aid of St Mary's Restoration Fund. Thanks to all those who have contributed Celtic Memorabilia for the raffles: Jim Craig is contributing a signed photo; Steve Murray as donated paintings; Mgr Ken McCaffrey is donating a Henrik Larsson painting; and Mary Brannan has contribute many items of memorabilia including a retro-replica strip.

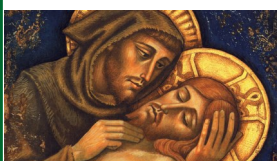
The next Special Collection is for The Day of Life and will be taken up on Sunday 16th June.

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

**Gift Aid:** 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.

**St Mary's Restoration Fund: 100 Club:** Congratulations to this week's winner, Audrey Toshney (7). There are spare numbers if anyone is interesting in joining to help support the St Mary's Restoration Fund.

**Hall hire details:** Please note that our hall is available for private lets and community use at very competitive rates. For further information and bookings please contact: Yvonne St Clair on yvonne\_stclair@yahoo.co.uk or 01382-623618 Mob 07709040233



**Dear Lord, thank you for providing for the needs of the parish,  
please keep us focused on your real treasure living amongst us: the poor.**

**St Vincent De Paul and St Francis pray for us.**



### Dates for your calendar:

**Summer Fayre, St Mary's Primary, Friday 7th June 1.30-3.30** —Family ticket £2, includes entry to event with Tea/ coffee/ juice per person.

**Meet and Greet including Q&A with Jim Craig (Lisbon Lion)** - Fri 21st June 7pm—Tickets now available

**Church Open Evening**—part of the Festival of Archaeology—Weds 17th July at 7pm—St Mary's history, guided tour, refreshments.

**Talk on the Stars** by Robert Law (Visitor Assistant Balgay Observatory) - Friday 13th September @ 7pm

**Parish Gathering** (Friday September 27th at 7pm) reigniting Divine Renovation; presentation of Parish Accounts; update on Restoration Project; what is a Leadership Team; concluded by Cheese and Wine Social.

**Dundee's Jute Industry** a talk by John Quinn (Visitor Guide Verdant Works) - Friday 18th October @ 7pm.

### Regular Events—Weekly:

**Prayers for Parish Renewal** —Every Thursday after Mass in St Mary's—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and prayers for a renewal of faith and missionary fervour in our parish. All are welcome.

The **Parish Leadership Team** meets every Monday outside holidays. This team helps me to make good decisions.

### Monthly:

**Dunkeld Serra Mass:** Last Tuesday of the Month; 7pm Mass preceded by Holy Hour, proceeded by refreshments & talk.

**Taizé Holy Hour:** Last Thursday of the Month; 6.30pm Adoration, Scripture, chant, and silence.

**St Peregrine's** Mass will be on the First Saturday of the Month, however, due to First Holy Communion's this month we will have St Peregrine's Mass next Saturday 8th June. As we now have a relic of St Peregrine anybody who wishes a blessing with it should simply approach Fr Jim or Trainee Deacon Jim Murphie after Mass. Hopefully we can build a shrine so that it is permanently on display.

### Diocesan Events

**Requiem Mass for Father Bogdan Palka SDS**, will take place this **Tuesday 4th June** in St. John the Baptist Church, Melville Street, Perth at **7pm**. All welcome to attend.

**Dunkeld Lourdes Pilgrimage Committee** will hold the pre-pilgrimage mass in St Leonard & Fergus' on Thursday 20th of June at 6.30pm. There will be refreshments in the hall after mass. All welcome.

**Dunkeld Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024**—12th—19th July; Register your interest with Ruth Anne O'Neil on 07801 227 443 or dunkeld@pobox.com **LOURDES 2024 NURSING TEAM** Are you a Registered Nurse who could help in a Nursing role,? Fares for 2024 will be part subsidised. Please email [mrskimberleyblack@hotmail.com](mailto:mrskimberleyblack@hotmail.com) or call Kimberley 07947837289 if interested.



**Baptism Preparation...starting Sunday 7th July...the start of a life giving process**

If you would like to know more about having your child baptised please contact Stella Andrews on andrews24@blueyonder.co.uk or phone 07817160513.

Due to demand the next course has been brought forward and will run for the 4 Sundays of July. Anyone interested in having their child baptised should register their interest with Stella as well as attending Mass.

In baptism the parents and godparents promise to bring their child up in the practice of the faith. For Catholic Christians this means regular attendance at Sunday Mass where we grow in love for God and neighbour. This is a promise to God and therefore should not be undertaken lightly.

Please pray for all those contemplating having their child baptised.

**Thank you to all** who supported St Mary's by buying a ticket for Aiming High. It's safe to say that it was a highly enjoyable evening that raised £1409 for the Restoration Project. Special thanks to the cast and crew for all their time, talent and humour. Please say a prayer of thanksgiving for Clare and Gerry Fulton without whom this wonderful venture would not have happened. Thanks also to those who hosted the event.

**St Anthony's Novena: Tues 4th to Thurs 13th June**

We are very fortunate in St Mary's to have a relic of St Anthony of Padua that has been venerated in Dundee for many years; first in the friary and then St Mary's.

St Anthony's Feast Day is on Thursday June 13th. To lead up to this wonderful feast we will have nine days where we'll incorporate St Anthony's novena prayers at the end of Mass. There will also be a short instruction on his life and teaching.

As from Tuesday 4th June St Anthony's statue will be placed on the Sanctuary and flowers can be placed in his honour.



1195-1231

Patron Saint of amputees, animals, mail, horses, expectant mothers, fishermen, harvests, lost articles, boatmen, and travellers, as well as the elderly, oppressed, poor, and starving

Canonized by Pope Gregory IX on 30 May 1232

Declared the Evangelizing Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XII in 1946

Thanks to all of those who donate food and toiletries for distribution from the Church House Door.

Please don't be shy to approach a member of **The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul (SVDP)** or Fr Jim in confidence. May God bless your generosity and ministry.



MEET AND GREET WITH

**JIM CRAIG**  
(LISBON LION)

INCLUDING QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**£10 A TICKET**  
**PIE AND BOVRIL INCLUDED**

**FRIDAY 21ST JUNE AT 7PM**  
**LIMITED BAR - CASH ONLY**

**ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL, GRAY'S LANE, LOCHEE**

TICKETS - 01382 221792

IN AID OF ST MARY'S RESTORATION FUND

**The Cecilian Choir sent a beautiful card asking,**

"to please pass on a very big thank you to the parishioners and volunteers of St Mary's.

Their hospitality and volunteering enabled us to have a successful and memorable 'evening of music' on Weds 22nd May."

Mgr Aldo recently attended a meeting of 200 Parish Priests in Rome. This meeting was to help Parish Priests engage with the Synodal Process. The Process where we listen to each other in order to better discern the promptings of the Holy Spirit. From this meeting Pope Francis sent out these priests as Missionaries of Synodality to spread the good news of synodality, and to explain the Synodal process to others.

To further this aim Mgr Aldo has generously agreed to a pulpit swap on 15/16 June whereby he will celebrate the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Morning Mass, and I'll cover his Masses in Monifieth and Carnoustie.

**Hope Point, Dundee Wellbeing Support**

If you are in distress and feeling like you can't go on, please do reach out.

Freephone: 0800 955 0008

Text: 01382 604123

In person: 4 South Ward Road.

**Our Lady Queen of Peace please pray for all countries experiencing strife. We especially think of those who rely on Mary's Meals in Haiti and the Middle East - Lebanon, Syria and Yemen; that the children we feed in these countries would continue to receive a daily meal at school despite ongoing conflict. Amen.**

**Blessed Mother, you knew what it was like to flee from your own country - we pray for all refugee families. We pray particularly for those who have been forced to flee their homes in Ethiopia and now face extreme hunger. That the Lord would protect them, provide the food they need and inspire people of good will to help bring an end to this crisis. Amen.**

**mary's meals**

a simple solution to world hunger

## Glancing Thoughts—There is Power in the Blood

The Second Reading says that the blood of Christ cleans our consciences from dead works.

Anybody who does laundry can tell you that one of the hardest stains to get out is blood. Why would anybody think you could clean things with blood?

The answer is that it depends on what you are trying to clean. The Second Reading is talking about cleaning dead works out of the conscience.

But what is a dead work? Well, a thing that is dead just lies there, without moving. So dead works are works that don't go anywhere. And where would works be going except where the person who does the works wants them to go?

And now we have a better idea of what a dead work is, don't we? In Romans 7:15, Paul says, "I do not do what I want, but I do what I hate." Is there anyone who doesn't understand this problem? Examples of it are easy to come by. Here's one: you set out bravely to give up smoking, and day after day you smoke.

It's not hard to see why dead works stain a conscience. Whose conscience would not feel stained by endless daily failure to do what he himself wants to do?

This is what the blood of Christ cleanses us from. Blood is the life of a thing, scripture says (Deuteronomy 12:23). If in the Eucharist the blood of Christ comes into us, then Christ's life comes into us too. By his life, we are made into one body with him, one living body, with a living Spirit, the Spirit of Christ.

What we could not do on our own, because our works are dead and our consciences are stained, the blood, the life, the Spirit of Christ can do in us.

When we are united with Christ through his body and blood in the Eucharist, our works live, too, through him. And if our works live, then our consciences are cleansed too.

In fact, it turns out that even our dirty laundry is cleaned by the blood of Christ. The saints in heaven have made their clothes white in the blood of the lamb (Revelation 7:14).

The old Spiritual hymn is right: there is power in the blood!

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The League of the Cross was a Roman Catholic total abstinence confraternity, founded in London in 1873 by Cardinal Manning. Its aim was to unite Catholics, both clergy and laity, in the warfare against intemperance; and thus to improve religious, social, and domestic conditions.

The original and chief centres of the League were London and Liverpool. Branches were organized in various cities of Great Britain and Ireland, Canada, and in Australia; including here in Lochee.

This Silver Cross was awarded to those who had not touched alcohol for 3 years; a Gold Cross was awarded to those who had been tea-total for 5 years. The inscription reads 'ST MARY'S, LEAGUE OF THE CROSS, LOCHEE, 3 YEARS'. Thanks to Brian King (author of several books on Lochee) for donating this artifact to St Mary's Archive.

**Please beware of Scam Emails purporting to come from myself asking for Amazon Vouchers. Any emails that come from the parish will have this email address: [stmaryslochee@dunkelddiocese.org.uk](mailto:stmaryslochee@dunkelddiocese.org.uk) any other address is bogus & should be avoided and reported.**

### Prayer for Parish Renewal

**Father, thank You that You are always doing a new thing. Give us eyes to see Your infinite goodness at work and to cooperate with You as You renew the church.**

**Jesus, we thank You for creating paths in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Accompany us on this journey of renewing our own parish.**

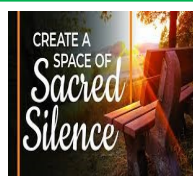
**Holy Spirit, ignite in us a passion for making disciples and help us to bear fruit that will last.**

**Amen**

### Dundee Audio News

If anybody would like to receive a free sample to Dundee Audio News please contact Graeme Tarbet on: [graemetarbet@hotmail.com](mailto:graemetarbet@hotmail.com). Postage free for CD or USB

Please keep 5 minutes silence before the start of each Sunday Mass. The bell will ring 5 minutes before Mass to mark the start of silence. This creates a decompression chamber in which we acclimatise to the Sacred and come into God's presence.



**Please submit names/items for this newsletter no later than Thursday evening to**

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