



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.

10th Nov, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading—1 Kings 17:10-16

'Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied'

Responsorial Psalm

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Second Reading—Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ, our high priest, has done away with sin by sacrificing himself.

Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, Alleluia! Even if you die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!

Gospel—Mark 12:41-44

The poor widow has put in more than all.

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

Wed 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: Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 15; Hebrews 10:11-14,18; Mark 13:24-32

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Wilma Taylor, Maureen McKay, Donald White, John Flood, and John Anderson; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Margaret Cord, Roseann Mulligan, John Mulligan, Linda Rodgers, Jimmy Russell, John Joseph & Margaret Russell, Sarah Jane Hickie, Ian Russell, Margaret and Constance Russell, Joyce Inglis, Harry Inglis, Leslie Dyer, Bruce Robertson, Anne Zdybel and Eilish Fleming. **RIP**



Prayers for the sick: Please continue to remember the sick and the terminally ill in your prayers, especially those mentioned on our sick lists: Wendy Birnie, Vi Brady, Flora Brugnoli, Marion Cabrelli, Alison Connelly, Martin Conroy, Jacqui Conroy, Veronica Cornock, Kate Cuthill, Yvonne Devine, Alex Findlay, Anne Fyfe, Bobby Gardiner, Harry Hill, Marlene Kenny, Andrew Lynch, Agnes Milne, George Charles Milne, Agnes Mulligan, Jim Murray, Frances McKernie, Susan Ramsay, Greg Taylor, Pat Trapnell, Margaret Turner, and Sister Mary Timmons. (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: Wilma Taylor, Invercarse Hotel, Mon 11th November at 11.30am;

John Flood, St Mary's Reception of Remains Mon 11th Nov at 5.30pm, Funeral Mass Tues 12th Nov at 10am;

Maureen McKay, St Mary's Reception of Remains Thurs 14th Nov at 5.30pm, Funeral Mass Fri 15th at 10am;

Donald White, St Mary's Funeral Mass Tues 19th at 10am.



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Lest We Forget

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

Scottish Charity Number: SC001810

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

Finance Matters: Last week's collection: £1628

Restoration Fund: £1,000 (Christmas Fayre)

There will be a second collection on the 33rd Sunday (17th November) for the **Catholic Education Service**.

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, Marian Milne (16).

Mini Fete (after Vigil and Sunday Mass) proceeds go to SCIAF during Nov/Dec.

Mary's Meals, Foreign Currency collection—There will be a box at the back of the church for collecting any foreign currency for Mary's Meals. Thanks for your support.

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 pray for us.
St Margaret of Scotland's Feast Day is this Coming Saturday 16th November.
Come and pray for her intercession for our Country.**



Dates for your calendar:

Serra Vocations Mass on November 12th Holy Hour at 6 pm followed by Mass at 7pm celebrated by Fr Greg Murphy

Staffin Island Ceilidh band - St Andrew's Night—30th November. Tickets now available in foyer or

Parish Christmas Lunch—Sunday 8th December—Menus available in the Church Foyer.

Regular Events—Weekly:

The Parish Leadership Team —meets every Monday during term time to help me make good decisions. It's members are Jim Murphie (Trainee Deacon), Marian Milne (Sacristan), Moira Leck (Schools Liaison), & Anne Hampton (Finance).

Novena to St Anthony of Padua - every Tuesday after Mass—concludes with blessing with relic.

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.

Monthly:

St Peregrine's Mass (1st Saturday of the Month at 10am). St Peregrine is the patron saint of those suffering from cancer and offer incurable diseases. We now have a relics of St Peregrine, St Anthony of Padua and St Martin de Porres. If anybody wishes a blessing please just ask. Each Saturday Mass is offered for the sick.

Filipino Mass (1st Sunday of the Month at 1pm) Next, Sunday 3rd November.

Dunkeld Serra Mass: (2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm). Please keep praying for priests, deacons, and religious.

Syro-Malabar Catechism Classes & Mass (3rd Sunday of the Month at 3.15pm) Next, Sunday 17th November

Taizé Holy Hour: (4th Thursday of the month at 6.30pm) Next, Taizé Prayer, Thursday, 28th November

Diocesan Events:

Cathedral Dinner—The next Cathedral Dinner for those aged 18-30 will take place on **Sunday 10th November**, in the Cathedral Hall just after the 6 pm Mass. Please sign up to help us prepare enough food! tinyurl.com/dundeedinner

SCIAF Meeting—Thursday 28th November, 12 Noon, St Joseph's Church, Wilkies Lane. SCIAF's new Chief Exec and Head of Engagement will be visiting to give an update of projects. Refreshments & parking available at the church.

Vocations Evening with Bishop Andrew—Sunday 1st December after 6pm Mass in St Andrew's Cathedral Hall.

Catholic Education Week 2024

The Feast of St Margaret of Scotland 16th November until The Feast of St Andrew 30th November. Representatives from St Mary's P.S and St John's H.S. will speak at the Vigil and Sunday Mass over the weekend 23/24th November, and will be available to talk individually after Mass. Please pray for all those involved in Catholic Education.

Please submit names/items for this newsletter no later than Thursday evening to stmaryslochee@dunkelddiocese.org.uk



Baptism Preparation...

...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.

The Alpha course continues this Sunday after Mass in the Upper Church Hall.

Alpha has a proven track record of helping people experience God in a very personal way.

It is an ideal place for those who are searching for meaning in their lives.

It is also a great way for those of us who profess faith to come alive in that faith and to live it in an even more profound manner.

In essence Alpha helps evangelise. It helps create a longing to know Jesus more intimately and to help others come into a life giving relationship with Jesus through the Holy Spirit.

Please come along and bring your friends. As we've heard from numerous testimonies over the year you won't be sorry.



Welcome to Bishop Andrew McKenzie who makes his first pastoral visit to St Mary's for this weekend's Masses. There will be an opportunity to meet the Bishop after both Masses in the hall. Please come along and introduce yourself.

During the 10.30am Mass Bishop Andrew will accept Jim Murphie as a Candidate for the Diaconate. This is short rite within Mass which formally recognises Jim as a Candidate for the Diaconate. Please come along and support Bishop Andrew and Jim at this important step on his journey to becoming a Deacon.

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.



Restoration Bricks still available. Application Forms in the foyer. An ideal gift!

Please come along and help with the church cleaning every fortnight after Friday Mass. **The next cleaning is Friday 15th November.**

A LOAF A WEEK?

Can you donate one loaf of bread per week in order that the Parish can support the staff provide every child, of St Mary's, with a piece of toast before lessons start?

Lookout for the bread basket and drop your loaf off...

St Mary's Christmas Fayre raised an incredible £1,000 last weekend. Many thanks to all who supported the Fayre and in particular the team of hard working volunteers.

From now until Christmas a mini-fete will take place after both the Vigil and the Sunday Mass. All the proceeds raised will go to support SCIAF's work throughout the world (which includes supporting humanitarian efforts in Gaza).

The next fundraiser for St Mary's Restoration Fund is the Ceilidh on Friday 30th November starting at 7pm. Tickets are now available at the back of the church priced £10 or via 07552 920740

The Staffin Island Ceilidh band will once again keep us entertained with wonderful music and dancing.



From the First Sunday of Advent (1st December) the Church will start using a new lectionary. This means that the readings in the old Missals will be slightly different, although the prayers of the Mass will remain the same. I would not advise buying new ones, however, if you feel that you must have one please speak with Ann Creegan in the Repository.

Property Matters: Thanks to Billy Biggins who once again has come to the parish's aid replacing a spotlight in the church and several lights in the hall.

In preparation for winter weather we have had to make temporary repairs to the Hall Roof. John O'Meara (Diocesan Property Manager) has provided a report of the work to show you where your money is going: Below is a brief breakdown of the flat roof temporary repairs:

2x south flat roofs: The main issues for water ingress were the open joints of the coping stones and brickwork. Timber has been fitted to the facing brick on the grays lane side (approximately 2 courses of brick). The reasons for this were for a better-looking finish, a better surface for the felt to adhere to and protection of the brickwork from bitumen staining. The felt was then applied over the coping, internal brickwork and over the timber, encapsulating the affected areas. On the internal side this went down to the existing felt deck due to the parapet walls only being 2-3 courses high.

The same process will be used on the balcony although, it will be roughly 2 courses of brick on both sides and the coping stones due to this wall being approximately 4 feet high.

HOPE POINT, DUNDEE WELLBEING SUPPORT WE ARE HERE ALL WEEKEND; NO MATTER WHAT TIME OF DAY OR NIGHT.

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

Freephone: 0800 955 0008; Text: 01382 604123; In Person: 4 South Ward Road.

What is Candidacy?

During this week's Sunday Mass Jim Murphie will be formally recognised as a Candidate for the Diaconate.

Admission to Candidacy for Ordination as Deacons and Priests is the precise moment when the candidate says in the presence of the Church, *I am morally certain that God is calling me to be his priest/deacon. I wish to give myself unreservedly to this mission. The bishop speaking in persona ecclesiae responds: I recognize signs of God's call in your life. The charisms of Jesus, the Good Shepherd have manifested themselves clearly in your personality and behaviour. With the help of the Holy Spirit, I and those who are in charge of your formation will further test the call of God.*

What comes next...

Thank you to everyone who made the effort to attend the **Parish Gathering** and hopefully those of you who didn't manage will join us in taking some of the proposals forward.

It was wonderful to be updated on the Restoration Project, the various Charity groups and the current financial status. However, by far, the most important aspect of the day was the talk from Fr Tony Lappin. He certainly prepared us for our experience in the small groups where we talked about the influence of the Holy Spirit. We had 13 people who, had previously been trained in the way that Pope Francis has asked. These people facilitated each group and while it was new to many of us the feedback was very good.

Many people were new to this experience yet enjoyed an opportunity to properly LISTEN to each other while discerning what the Holy Spirit was asking of them.

"I really enjoyed the sharing in the groups"

"I was going to leave before the group but I'm so glad I stayed. I really listened to what others said"

"I'm more open than I've ever been to try to help in the Parish as I now see it as my Mission"

These were some of the comments that participants made after the small groups.

To this end then we are hoping to set up some small groups during Advent and would ask you to consider this opportunity. This is new to all of us however since Pope Francis has invited each of us to do this we, at St Mary's, would like to respond to his call! Please join us! Fr Jim and LT



Mass for Deceased Clergy

this coming Thursday 14th at 12 Noon
in St Andrew's Cathedral. All are welcome.

Maureen McKay (nee McManus)

Reception of Remains Thursday 14th at 5.30pm

Funeral Mass Friday 15th at 10am

Mrs McKay taught in St Mary's Infant School and became it's Head Teacher before moving on to the Headship of St Vincent's

Monday
Larder: 10.30am - 12.30pm
Cafe: 10.30am - 2pm

Tuesday
Cosy @ the cafe: 5.30 - 7.30pm

Wednesday
Larder: 10.30am - 12.30pm
Cafe: 10.30am - 2pm

Thursday
Cosy @ the cafe: 5.30 - 7.30pm

Friday
Larder: 10.30am - 12.30pm
Cafe: 10.30am - 2pm

Saturday
Cosy @ the cafe: 11am - 1pm

Sunday
Womens group: 11am - 2pm

November lists are available at the back of the church During the month of November we pray especially for the dead. Every Mass during the Month will be offered for the repose of the souls mentioned on our November lists. Please fill out a list with the names of your beloved departed. This year we will also display the photos/memorial cards of our beloved departed on our Marian Altar. Please place them in the basket in front of the Marian Altar.



One month to stop assisted suicide!

Kim Leadbeater MP is introducing a bill to introduce assisted suicide, which will be voted on by MPs on the **29 November**. We know that assisted suicide laws in other jurisdictions have had devastating consequences for the poor, disabled and marginalised. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a huge effort to lobby MPs. **Take action now - it only takes 30 seconds to contact your MP using the tool here**

www.righttolife.org.uk/mpcontactnow

SPUC's Petition—SPUC are calling on the British Government to end the two-child benefit cap. Please use the link noted if you would like to sign and support.

<https://www.spuc.org.uk/end-benefit-cap>

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.

