



# 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.

## 17th Nov, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading—Daniel 12:1-3

When that time comes, your own people will be spared.

Responsorial Psalm

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

Second Reading—Hebrews 10:11-14,18

By virtue of one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying.

Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, Alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Gospel—Mark 13:24-32

He will gather his chosen from the four winds.

## 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 7:13-14; Psalm 92; Apocalypse 1:5-8; John 18:33-37

**Our Beloved Dead:** Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Donald White, Margaret O'Neill, and John Pacione; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joseph George Murry, Ian Irons and Danielle McGregor. **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, Marion Cabrelli, Jim Murray, Anne Fyfe, Agnes Milne, George Charles Milne, Alison Connelly, Bobby Gardiner, Flora Brugnoli, Agnes Milne, Margaret Turner, Susan Ramsay, Andrew Lynch, Pat Trapnell, Greg Taylor, Yvonne Devine, Martin Conroy, Jacqui Conroy, Marlene Kenny, Harry Hill, Frances McKernie, Alex Findlay, Kate Cuthill, Veronica Cornock, Agnes Mulligan 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: Donald White,** St Mary's Funeral Mass Tues 19th at 10am.

**Margaret O'Neill,** St Mary's Funeral Mass Monday 25th at 10am. Contact

All powerful God, whose mercy is never withheld, look kindly on all who have departed this life and number them among your saints for evermore. It is our certain faith that your Son, who died on the cross, was raised from the dead, the first fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Grant that all who have gone to their rest in Christ may share in the joy of his Resurrection.



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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: £1568

**Restoration Fund:** £69

There will be a second collection at the vigil and Sunday mass 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, Christopher Berry(60).

**Mini Fete**—The proceeds of which will 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



St Vincent De Paul

**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.**

**and  
pray for us.**

St Margaret of Scotland



**Dates for your calendar:** **Parish Council Meeting**, Thurs 21st at 7pm in Church House.

**Staffin Island Ceilidh band** - St Andrew's Night—30th November. Tickets now available after Mass & .

**Parish Christmas Lunch**—Sunday 8th December, 1-4pm, Tickets £10. All menus to be returned by Sunday 24th November. 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 relic 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 1st Dec.

**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:**

**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.

**Jim Murphie's Diaconate Ordination** will be on Saturday 3rd May 2025 at 12 noon in St Andrew's Cathedral.

**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@dunkelldiocese.org.uk](mailto:stmaryslochee@dunkelldiocese.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](mailto: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.**



**Conversations on the Priesthood**  
with **Bishop Andrew McKenzie**  
Vocations Director **Fr Jim Walls**  
and the newest priest in the  
Diocese **Fr Malcolm Hutchison**  
(pizza will be served).



**When?** Sunday 1st December 7pm  
**Where?** St Andrew's Cathedral Hall,  
Nethergate, Dundee, DD1 4EA  
**Who?** Anyone considering the priesthood.

**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...

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.

**The 2024 annual Dunkeld Lourdes Christmas Carol Service**

**Sunday 15th December at 3pm**  
**St Peter and Paul's**  
**29 Byron Street, DD3 6QN**

**Retiring collection for the Dunkled Lourdes Service.**

**ADVENT**

During Advent you are invited to join in a small group (Conversation in the Spirit).

We intend to run these during the four weeks of Advent.

WATCH THIS SPACE as next week we will list the times and location of each small group. Please respond to this and any other invitation.

The Lord is calling you!

Fr Jim and the LT



**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



**Lochee Community Christ-mas Celebrations**

Wednesday 27th Nov

starting at 6pm

in Lochee Parish Church with switching on off the

Lights at 7pm

followed by refreshments

in St Mary's Church Hall.

**All are very welcome.**

**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.

Recently the Leadership Team participated in a Webinar with Fr James Mallon ( founder of Divine Renovation and author of book from Maintenance to Mission), Jonathan Roumie (Actor who plays Jesus in the film The Chosen) and Nicky Gumble (founder of Alpha ).

There were some powerful messages such as:

\* Jesus doesn't hold any grudges no matter where we've gone wrong. Jesus loves us and pours out his love to us. All Jesus asks of us is "that we show up".

\* Why not take time to watch 'The Chosen'?

\* We don't need to be actors to play Jesus -we get this opportunity every day when we live in our family, in our community and in our Parish.

\* A real opportunity to encounter Jesus is to share in Alpha. This can be life changing for ourselves and others if "we show up"!

\* COME AND SEE and experience Jesus Christ in the community of Love.

\* Listen to the power of the Holy Spirit.

\* Find ways to EVANGELISE in our local Church and look outward to others.

\*Alpha will transform Catholic Parishes.

\* Why not try these three opportunities?

1 Join Alpha

2 Watch the film The Chosen

3 Join our 'Conversations in the Spirit'

Come and see!



### 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**

#### ***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**.

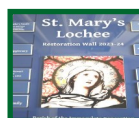
We know that assisted suicide laws in other jurisdictions have had devastating consequences for the poor, disabled and marginalised. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a huge effort to lobby MPs. **Take action now - it only takes 30 seconds to contact your MP using the tool here**

[www.righttolife.org.uk/mpcontactnow](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/mpcontactnow)

**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 family. 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.

Please come along and help with the church cleaning every fortnight after Friday Mass. **The next cleaning is Friday 29th Nov.**

**Restoration Bricks** still available. Application Forms in the foyer.



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.



**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.

