



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."

8th June, Pentecost Sunday—C

First reading

Acts 2:1-11

'They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak'.

Responsorial Psalm Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth .

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised.

Sequence

Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-23

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit.



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 10.30am-11am; 3.30pm-4pm

Rosary before each weekday Mass.

Tues: Novena to St Anthony after Mass

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

Sat: Adoration - 10.30-11am

**Next Sunday's Readings: Proverbs 8:22-31;
Psalm 8; Roman 5:1-5; John 16:12-15**

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Frank Conway, Danny Corr, Mrs McNally, Maureen Conway & Barbara Cartwright and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Helen Duncan, Romano Reyes, Barbara Hammond, Gerry Bruce, Annie Sharp, William Brannan, Roseann Wright, John Borzoni, Colin McKay. **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: Mary Crighton, David Martin, Gerry Mulrooney, Tony Carroll, Martin Conroy, Harry Hill, Wendy Birnie, Frances McKernie, Ann Jordan (Granny GG), Marion Brannan, Betty Bailly, Moira Green, Stephen Kennedy, Veronica Cornock, Agnes Milne, Agnes Mulligan, Kate Cuthill, Andrew Lynch, Susan Ramsay, Marion Robertson, Margaret A Young, Liz Thomson, Graeme Webster, Mary & John Matheson.
(this list is cleared each calendar month).

Many thanks to all our young people (and those who assisted them) who prepared the 10.30am Mass of The Solemnity of Pentecost. The school prepared the readers and gift bearers and Mrs Scott, Mrs Gauld, and Mrs Lynn Smith helped our young musicians.

Please prayer for them.



Baptism Preparation Course starts this Sunday...

Session1 Sunday 8th June; Session 2 Sunday 15th June; Session 3 Sunday 29th June; Presentation Sunday 6th July. Sessions after Sunday Mass in the Parish Meeting Room.

If you would like to know more about having your child baptised please contact Stella Andrews on camroc498@gmail.com or phone 07817160513.

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

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Serving Priest - Fr Jim Walls; Deacon—Jim Murphie

Scottish Charity Number: SC001810

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

Finance Matters: Last week's Collection: £1619 (includes £100 from Filipino Mass) **Restoration Fund:** £167 (Donations, Brick Money and J Mack concert tickets)

Last Sunday's 2nd Collection for **The Apostolate of Communications** £349

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 Willie Grant, (116).

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 and St Margaret of Scotland
pray for us.



Dates for your calendar:

Talk by Prof Graeme Morton, University of Dundee. **"We were poor, but were we happy?"** What was community life like in the years before St Mary's Church was built? By examining copies of original documents we will find out what life was really like in Old Lochee. **Time & place: Fri 20 June** 2pm–3.30pm in St Mary's Church, Entrance—Free/Donation

Parish pilgrimage to the old Cathedral in St Andrews, Fife— Saturday 28th June. Bus will depart St Mary's at 10.30am, entrance to Cathedral 11am, Open Air Mass 12 Noon, Packed Lunch Picnic, 2.30pm Return. Cost – Donation (£8 would cover cost).

The Margaret Sinclair Story performed by Rachel Callaghan (nee Murray) courtesy of AGAP (Archdiocese of Glasgow Arts Project) provisionally book Sunday 29th July at 12.15pm in St Mary's Upper Hall.

History of Dunkeld Diocese Talk—By Father Michael Carrie on Friday 8th August at 7pm.

'O Halflins an Hecklers an Weavers an Weemin' in aid of the Restoration Fund. More info to follow....

National Pilgrimage to Carfin on Sunday 7th September.

Gary White's Organ Concert/Sing-along—Sunday October 5th at 3pm in St Mary's Upper Hall.

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 (Parish 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 6th July, 2025

Dunkeld Serra Mass: (2nd Tuesday of the month; Holy Hour 6pm followed by Mass at 7pm)

Syro-Malabar Catechism Classes & Mass (3rd Sunday of the Month at 3.15pm) Next, 15th June, 2025

Taizé Holy Hour: (4th Thursday of the month at 6.30pm)

Diocesan Events:

Vocations—Friday June 20th at 7pm. For those under 18's considering the priesthood Bishop Andrew will meet in St Andrew's Cathedral Hall on for a chat about the priesthood and pizza

The Dunkeld Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Committee will hold their pre-Lourdes Mass in St Leonard & Fergus Church on Tuesday 24th of June at 7pm. There will be refreshments in the Church Hall after Mass and all are welcome.

The Leadership Team will now compile a report based upon the feedback from the groups. This will then be submitted to the Bishop and the Diocesan Synod Group. We will await to hear the findings of this Diocesan process once they've had a chance to reflect and ponder the reports from all the parishes of the Diocese. Thanks to all who participated in the Conversations in the Spirit.



Notice—Parish Fire Drill

Thanks to all those who took part in the Fire Drill on Tuesday.

The Fire Drill Procedure for St Mary's is straightforward:

if there is a Fire at the front of the church I will shout '**Fire, Fire, Fire**' at which time we all make an orderly exit through the Fire door in the Church Foyer.

This has now been fitted with 2 signs:

'DOORS SHOULD BE UNBOLTED DURING TIMES OF SERVICE' and 'PUSH BOTH BARS FIRMLY TO OPEN.'

If there is a fire at the back of the Church we all exit through the sacristy and the Church House Door. The Assembly point is in the Church Car Park in front of the back door to the Hall.

We will be appointing Fire Wardens in the near future.

Thanks also to John Bourke and Billy Biggins for updating the emergency lighting in the Church Hall.

Notice—Parish New Bank Account

The parish has a new bank account which allows internet banking and brings all the parishes of the Diocese under the same bank.

If your collection is paid via a Standing Order please adjust it to
TRUSTEES ROMAN CATHOLIC ST MARYS' 80-22-60; 28017060; Bank of Scotland, PO Box 17235, Edinburgh, EH11 1YH.

Standing Order is the easiest way to support St Mary's. Please consider donating to St Mary's via Standing Order.

Church Cleaning every fortnight after Friday Mass.
The next cleaning is Friday 20th June 2025.

ST ANTHONY OF PADUA - MEMORIAL, FRIDAY 13th JUNE 2025

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 Day this year is on Friday 13th June and we will celebrate the Saint's life and works in a special way at the 10am Mass: St Anthony's statue will be placed on the sanctuary and flowers can be placed in his honour. There will be an additional opportunity to recite the Novena prayer and venerate his relic at the end of Mass.

Unfortunately, due to the dates of Ascension Thursday and Pentecost this year, our focus has had to be on preparing for Pentecost Sunday and it has not been possible to celebrate the nine days of St Anthony's Novena as we did last year. However, should you wish to prepare privately for the celebration on 13th June, here are two suggested links to St Anthony Novena prayers: <https://thecatholic handbook.com/st-anthony-novena/> & <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/st-anthony-novena>



Tea and Coffee
 Filled Rolls and Cakes
 plus children's play area after Mass every Sunday.



Refreshments also after Mass Mondays and Fridays.
 Come along and enjoy the company.

If you would like to donate food for distribution at the Church door please consider dropping any of these items in the baskets in the Church foyer: UHT milk, Cereals, Biscuits, Coffee, Tea, Tinned Milk Puddings, tinned fruit, tinned curries, tinned ham.

May God bless your generosity and ministry.



Also, if you are in need please don't hesitate to be in touch with any member of the SVDP or Fr Jim.



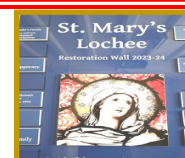
Solemnity of Corpus Christi
Blessed Sacrament Celebration
 in St Andrew's Cathedral,
 150 Nethergate, Dundee
Sunday 22 June at 3pm.
All are welcome.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
from after the 11am Solemn Mass.

School News—Sacramental Dates

- **21st June**—First Holy Communion

Restoration Bricks

Application Forms available in the foyer. Many thanks to all those who have already donated one.



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.

ADORATION OF JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thanks to those who have already signed up for one or more of the time-slots on Thursdays between 11am and 4.30pm for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. However, there are still quite a few time-slots to be filled before we can get this under way. Please see the sign-up sheet in the church porch and, if you can, please commit at least 30 minutes of your week in prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the Altar.

Please give your mobile phone number as we intend to form a WhatsApp group so that, in the event that you are unable to attend your time-slot one Thursday, you can post a message to the group so that someone may cover your time-slot at short notice.

Any questions please ask Deacon Jim Murphie after Mass, or email him at james.murphie@dunkelddiocese.org.uk

WHY WEEKLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION? Here are some reasons from the Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration
(<https://eucharisticadoration.ie/whatis-adoration>)

- Jesus wants it. In his Farewell discourse, (the priestly prayer) Jesus said *"I am the Bread of life"; "It is my Father's will that whoever sees the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and that I should raise that person up on the last day. (Jn 6:35,40)*
- Again, in His appearance as the Sacred Heart to St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Jesus said *"I have a burning thirst to be honoured in the Blessed Sacrament"*.
- It is a wonderful generous response to the invitation of Jesus, *"Could you not watch one hour with Me"?*
- Many people who are committed to weekly adoration experience many graces and blessings.
- Saints, Popes and others have constantly advocated Eucharistic Adoration
- Adoration flows from the Mass itself. *"It intensifies all that takes place in the Mass itself"* Pope Benedict XVI.
- *"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the Sacraments themselves and the one dearest to God."* St Alphonsus Ligouri.



Eucharistic
Adoration

Glancing Thoughts Pentecost Year C—The Outpouring of the Spirit

In the Old Testament, God promised that in the last days, in the days of the Messiah, he would pour out his spirit on all of his people. In Acts 2:14-18, the apostle Peter quotes this promise to explain what is happening when the apostles speak in tongues at Pentecost. This outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost marks the beginning of the period promised so long ago.

But why would God want to mark this great new beginning, the fulfilment of the Messianic promise, the start of the Church, by having the apostles speak in all the myriad languages of the polyglot world of their time? There are so many other things the Spirit might have done! Later, filled with the Spirit, the apostles heal the lame, cure the sick, cast out demons. Why didn't God mark the beginning of the outpouring of his Spirit by something more glorious than the ability to communicate with others without a translator?

Here we should remember the story of the Tower of Babel, told early in Genesis, not so long after the Fall. The people building the Tower of Babel all spoke one language; but they used this power that the commonality of language gave them, for evil, building a tower that reached to heaven. God defeated them by the simple expedient of multiplying their languages and leaving them unable to understand each other.

Now, in the new age, Christ offers all people salvation from their sin, through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. In this age of the Spirit-filled church, all human beings are invited into communion with the Lord and with each other. Human beings can be trusted with unity when they are incorporated into the one body of the Lord.

And maybe that is why God marks the beginning of the reign of his Spirit in the Church by overturning the Babel of human language. Filled with the Holy Spirit, human beings can be given again what they lost at the Tower of Babel, not for storming heaven, but for proclaiming the kingdom of heaven on earth.

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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.

