



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."

13th July, 15th Sunday—Year C

First reading Deuteronomy 30:10-14

'The word is very near you, so that you can do it.'

Responsorial Psalm

Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

Second Reading Colossians 1:15-20

'All things were created through him and for him.'

Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, alleluia! . Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 10:25-37

'Who is my neighbour?'

Next Sunday's Readings:

Genesis 18:1-10; Psalm 14; Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42

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

Please note all weekday services will be held
in the hall until further notice to allow Resto-
ration Work to be carried out on the Stained
Glassed Windows in the Sanctuary.

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Dr Fortune Gomo, Ian White and Betty Murray and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Nan Grant, Kevin Grant, Theresa Kennedy, Denise Kennedy and Mary Low . **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: Fr Malcolm Hutchison, Gerry Rooney, Tony Carroll, Martin Conroy, Jim Pettigrew, Catherine Butchart, Anne Marie Curkins, Ann Jordan (Grannie GG), Anges Milne, Andrew Lynch, Susan Ramsay, Agnes Mulligan, Veronica Cornock, and Kate Cuthill.

(this list is cleared each calendar month).



Baptism Preparation Course...continues this **Sunday**, third session on the 20th with presentation on 27th. 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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www.youtube.com/@StMarysLochee Parish Website - www.stmaryslochee.org.uk

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: £1215

Restoration Fund: £459

A special collection will be taken up at both masses this weekend for the Gomo family.

The Apostolate of the Sea second collection will now be taken on the 16th Sunday (20th July).

Contactless Payment is now available in St Mary's foyer for both the 'General Collection' and 'St Mary's Restoration Fund' via the terminal and this QR Code. No cash no problem: simply scan and follow instructions.



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, Margaret Joyce (109).

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:

Festival of Archaeology—Wednesday 23th July at 7pm, Open Evening—a talk and tour with Robert Law, St Mary's Lochee Church. Refreshments provided.

Talk by Prof Graeme Morton, University of Dundee. "Historical Links to Dundee City's Past and Present". To investigate the history of Dundee in the 20th century. What happened to the city after 'jute was no more'. Time & place: Fri 25 July 2pm–3.30pm in St Mary's Church, Entrance—Free/Donation

"The Margaret Sinclair Story" (marking 100 years since the death of Venerable Margaret Sinclair) performed by Rachel Callaghan (nee Murray) courtesy of AGAP (Archdiocese of Glasgow Arts Project). The true story of the Edinburgh factory girl who could be Scotland's next canonised Saint brought to life in this acclaimed production en route to the Edinburgh Fringe. Sunday 27th July at 12.15pm in St Mary's Upper Hall. Tickets: £10/£7/£5 (Pay What You Can – you choose.) from www.agap.org.uk/tickets or call 0749 534 7884.

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, 20th July, 2025

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



The Leadership Team has now compiled a report from the submissions from the Conversations in the Spirit Groups and sent it to Bishop Andrew.

Thanks to all who participated in the Conversations in the Spirit.

St John's RC High School have launched the Nanette Hanson Memorial Appeal to raise £3000 for a new stained glass window for the chapel (made with a local artist along with pupils) in memory of Mrs Hanson who laid down her life in a heroic manner on All Saints' Day, 1967. Donations by the community are very welcome. If you can support, please use the details below or hand in a cheque to the school office.

Parents of the school can contribute via ParentPay. Name: St John's High School, Sort Code: 80-73-31, Account: 00620628. Please use the reference 'Memorial'. More information is on the school website.

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.



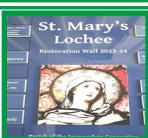
"Please pray for Dr Fortune Gomo and the consolation of her family. The Vigil Mass will be offered on Saturday at 4.30pm for the repose of her soul whilst a Book of Condolence will be available. There will also be a Special Collection taken up at both Sunday Masses to support the Gomo family. May her soul rest in peace and may the Holy Spirit comfort her family."



If you wish to support the family you can do so online at [St Mary's Dr Gomo fund - Give A Little](#)

The Parish's thanks to the Leadership Team and Wendy Sinclair (Depute Head of St John's) who have helped respond to Dr Gomo's murder whilst I've been in Paris supporting the Military Chaplains of the Tri-Forces. Given the shortage of priests it is imperative that other faithful (suitable) parishioners take on leadership roles whilst liaising remotely with the Parish Priest. Please pray for these individuals and for myself. Fr Jim

Church Cleaning every fortnight after Friday Mass. **The next cleaning is Friday 18th July**



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

Please hand back your **Ministry Sign Up Sheets**. I would encourage you to be generous with your time and your talents asking yourself what is God calling me to do in St Mary's, how can I support the ongoing running of St Mary's, and how can I help her become an ever more welcoming and evangelising community?

ADORATION OF JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church on Thursdays has had to be cancelled due to Restoration Work on the Stained Glass Windows. Thanks to those who have signed up. We hope to recommence once the work has been completed in the Sanctuary.



Fr Malcolm update:

Mgr Ken McCaffrey visited Fr Malcolm this week and reported:

"He was in good spirits and some of his priest friends from the west were visiting. A real clergy gathering. Physiotherapy tough I think but good to see him smiling." Please continue to hold Fr Malcolm in your prayers.



Talk (4) by Prof Graeme Morton, University of Dundee.

"Making History Today"—To tell the world what's changed. This time, YOU bring the evidence—the photographs and letters from your life that continue to shape you—and us—today.

Date: Friday 1st August 2025
Time and place: 2-3.30pm, St Mary's Church Entrance—Free/Donation

Flowers—Many thanks to all those who have adopted a Saint's statue and are now bedecking it with flowers. A great idea taken up with relish.



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.

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.

Glancing Thoughts -What must I do?

In the Gospel Reading, a lawyer asks Jesus, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus says to the lawyer, *well, how do you read the law?* Without hesitation, the lawyer gives Jesus the answer, which the lawyer already knew: *love God wholly and your neighbour as yourself.*

Right!, Jesus tells him. *You do that, and you'll live. But wait*, the lawyer says, *who is my neighbour?*

Then Jesus tells him the story of the bad priest and Levite and the good Samaritan, and Jesus finishes with another question to the lawyer: *which of these was the neighbour of the robbery victim?*

The lawyer gives the answer he has to give: *the good neighbour was the Samaritan.*

Now notice the oddness of the lawyer's first question. He doesn't ask: what is the best way to soar in love of God? He asks: what *must* I do to inherit eternal life? He is looking for the minimum necessary to get in to heaven, isn't he?

But eternal life is a union, a marriage, with God. Who would want to get married to someone who said, "what's the minimum I can do for you and with you and still get you to marry me?"

So Jesus gets the lawyer to answer his question, and the lawyer gives the right answer. What you *have* to do, the minimum necessary, is everything: love God wholly, and love your neighbor as yourself.

This is a disconcerting answer, of course, because in this life none of us is ever going to do everything. So if *everything* is the minimum necessary, then none of us is getting in. And so the lawyer tries on his original move again. He wants a definition of *neighbour* which gives him the minimum number of people to count as neighbors he has to love.

But Jesus upends the lawyer's continuing desire for a minimum by giving him another maximum: everyone you can love is your neighbor. If you can do good to him, he counts as your neighbour.

And that is what we *must* do to inherit eternal life: come to Christ. The lawyer's own answers to his questions are right. But giving everything in love for God is a holiness we can find only through Christ's unstinting outpouring of love for us.

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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.



Contactless Payment Giving

"Give a little", using the QR code a payment can be made to St Mary's. You can now give your collection using contactless payment. There is payment terminal available in the porch.

You can help us win one of ten £100 donations! Shop with participating retailers on easyfundraising's competition page before 20th July and St Mary's Lochee Restoration Fund will get an entry into the prize draw. It's a great way to help us raise even more on the things you're buying anyway. Sign up today and increase our chances of winning when you shop online:


<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/st-marys-lochee-restoration-fund/7a4r01/c2s/jgrfMhQJ/CE043/facebook/>



God our Father, you sent your Son into the world to show us how much you love us, and how to love each other. Ardently we pray that the Holy Spirit may come into our hearts and make us channels of your love. Grant also that those hearts who wield power in this world may use that power to benefit the poor.

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.





AGAP THEATRE PRESENTS

The Margaret Sinclair Story

Performed by Rachel Callaghan
Written & Directed by Stephen Callaghan

The inspiring true story of the cheerful Edinburgh factory girl with a big heart for Jesus and for helping others, who could be Scotland's next canonised Saint. This down-to-earth model of everyday sanctity is brought vividly to life onstage by Rachel Callaghan – her actual living relative (second cousin). Stephen Callaghan's funny and moving play was first performed at the 2016 Fringe in the Edinburgh church where the venerable Margaret's body is interred and he directs the revival marking 100 years since her death. Don't miss your chance to see it before it heads to the Edinburgh Fringe.

"The response of the audience lining the pews...is undeniable. For many it is an emotional experience to see their saint brought to life before their eyes."
Fringe Review - Scotsman, 2016

"Do go if you have never seen it! Brilliant!"
"AGAP never disappoints."
"Rachel is outstanding."
Glasgow Audience Reviews

"Tackles faith-based themes with sincerity and relatable passion."
Fringe Review - Broadway Baby 2023
for "Oggie! Oggie! Oggie!"
by Stephen Callaghan

Sun 27th July 2025 at 12.15
Saint Mary's RC Church, Lochee (Upper Hall)
41 High St, Dundee DD2 3AP (RUN TIME: 45 min + Q&A)

Tickets: £10/£7/£5
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