

St Mary's, Lochee, & St Clement's, Charleston 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.

16th November-Year C

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First reading

Malachi 4:1-2a

For you the sun of righteousness will rise.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord comes to judge the peoples with fairness.

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat.

Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, alleluia! Straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 21:5-19

By your endurance you will gain your lives.

Next Sunday's Readings: The Feast of Christ the King: 2 Samuel 5:1-3; Psalm 122(121); Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43.

Sacred Liturgy Schedule

Vigil Mass at 4.30pm.

9.30am Sunday Mass in St Clement's

and 11am Sunday Mass in St Mary's (livestreamed)

(refreshments after Mass in hall...all welcome)

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

Weds 10am Eucharistic Service

Weds 9.30am Mass in St Clement's Church/Hall

Confessions:

Saturday 10.30am-11am; 3.30pm-4pm

Rosary before each weekday Mass.

Tues: Novena to St Anthony after Mass

Thurs: Adoration for the renewal of our Parishes after Mass

Sat: Adoration - 10.30-11am

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Catherine Brown, Trica Henderson, Mary Matheson, Sarah Lindsay, Nan Robertson, Norman Harvey; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joseph George Murray, Ann Gunning, Ellen Keenan, John Paccione, Baby Danielle McGregor, Lilly Milne, Frances McKernie, Mark Gardiner, John Robinson and Margaret O'Neil.





Prayers for the sick: Please continue to remember the sick and the terminally ill in your prayers, especially those mentioned on our sick lists: Baby Aidan Mellon, Andrew Lynch, Agnes Milne, Gerry Mulrooney, Baby Isla Young, Veronical Corrock, Kate Cuthill, Staska, Ged Toshney, Elizabeth Rourke, Granny GG (Ann Jordan), Wendy Birnie, Zoe Wallace, Mrs Elizabeth Thomas (Fr Rogi's Mum), Fr Malcolm Hutchison, Moira Traynor, Sister Mary Catherine, Maureen Wiltosz, Martin & Jacqui Conroy. (this list is cleared each calendar month).

Funerals: Catherine Brown, Sun 16th Nov Reception 5.30pm, Mon 17th Nov 10am Funeral Mass; **Patricia (Tricia) Henderson**, Thursday 20th Nov, 10am Funeral Mass.

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Mary Matheson, 10am Funeral Mass, Tuesday 25th November, thereafter Dundee Crematorium.

Sarah (Sadie) Lindsay, Thursday 27th Nov, 10am Funeral Mass.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful depart rest in peace.

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

Finance Matters: St Mary's Collection: £2,233 (Loose Plate £1146, SO £925, Contactless £162).

Restoration Fund: £1093 (Choral Concert £698, Contactless £19, Pilgrim of Hope £25, Bricks £150 & Mini Market £200).

St Clement's Collection: £317.72 Church Donation £100

St Mary's new Bank of Scotland details: TRUSTEES ROMAN CATHOLIC ST MARYS 80-22-60; 28017060; Contactless payment available in foyer and via this QR Code. Enables those viewing online to contribute.



St Clement's new Bank of Scotland details: TRUSTEES ROMAN CATHOLIC ST CLEMENTS 80-22-60; 28001261

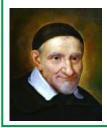
Gift Aid: Please consider Gift Aiding your collection and/or paying by Standing Order (forms available in the foyer). Gift Aid donors are reminded that they need to ensure that they have paid sufficient tax to cover claims.

St Mary's Restoration Fund: 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner Margaret Duncan.

During Nov/Dec we hope to have a Mini Christmas Market after church mass on Sat/Sun. Proceeds to the Restoration fund in Nov and SCIAF in Dec. Continued thanks for your generosity.

Mary's Meals, Foreign Currency collection - Many thanks to everyone who has donated. There is a box in the foyer for foreign currency for Mary's Meals.

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.



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), Bernadette Dailly (St Clement's) & 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 7th Dec, 2025

Dunkeld Serra Mass: Praying for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life (2nd Tuesday of the month; Holy Hour 6pm followed by Mass at 7pm). Next, **Tuesday 11th November**. All are very most welcome.

Syro-Malabar Catechism Classes & Mass (3rd Sunday of the Month at 3.15pm) Next, Sunday, 16th Nov, 2025

Taizé Holy Hour: (4th Thursday of the month at 6.30pm) Next, Thursday, 27th Nov 2025.

Catholic Schools Matter

Sacramental Programme:

Joint Sacrament Preparation Dates for both schools to be held in St Mary's Church:

Tuesday 16th December 6pm Parish Penitential Service incorporating Children's First Reconciliation;

Tuesday 24th March 6pm Parish Penitential Service incorporating Children's Second Reconciliation

Tuesday 19th May 7pm The Sacrament of Confirmation presided over by Bishop Andrew McKenzie

Saturday 6th June 10am Mass for First Holy Communions

The link below takes you to St Mary's school newsletter which gives a review of the last week and advertises things to come.

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Dates for your calendar:

"Pilgrim of Hope—A Comedy about life, death, air fryers and one man's search for hope" written and performed by Stephen Callaghan (as recently performed to good reviews at The Fringe). Saturday 15th Nov at 7.30pm and Sunday 16th November at 12.15pm in St Mary's Upper Church Hall. Tickets available in the foyer or 07552 920740.

St Mary's Parish Council Tues 18th November at 7pm.

Eucharistic Ministers Training Thurs 20th November, 6.30pm for an hour. All Eucharistic Ministers from both parishes please attend.

St Carlo Acutis Exhibition—Friday 21st until Sunday 23rd November. Friday: Schools welcome; 7pm Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament and Relic. Saturday: 9am Eucharist Rosary in front of the Blessed Sacrament and Relic. Sunday: 12.30pm Holy Hour to conclude in front of the Blessed Sacrament and Relic. Admission Free. All welcome.

Advent Service—Wed 26th November, at 6pm in St Mary's Church prior to switching on of Christmas lights in Lochee.

A Lady's Night with Johnny Mack—Friday 28th November 7.30pm. Tickets available in the foyer, or 07552 920740.

Advent Day of Reflection—First Sunday in Advent (30th November), will be led by Canon Andrew Clark. Canon Andrew will preside at 11am Mass, then after refreshments, will reflect on Jesus' Prayer of Solitude, finishing at 3pm. St Clement's Parishioners are warmly welcome to attend this afternoon's reflection.

Christmas Fayre for SCIAF—Saturday 6th Dec, 11am –1pm in the Church Hall. Usual stalls and Admission Free.

Lenten Day of Reflection at Carfin Grotto—parish bus—Saturday 28th February, 2026.

Paul Sullivan and Friends Musical Extravaganza Friday 6th March 7pm start

Fr Jock Dalrymple talks about his uncle Fr Jock Dalrymple Snr. Fr Jock Snr was one of Scotland's foremost Spiritual Writers of the last century. His book Simple Prayer' is described as a modern day classic. Friday 20 March 7pm.

Daniel Adams' "The Revolution of Tenderness". Daniel is a proud Dundonian and the CEO of Akshaya Patra, and Indian Charity which feeds 2.4 million hungry children every day. He previously worked with Mary's Meals for 12 years.

The Catholicism Course continues next Sunday 20th November (and repeats Thursday) after Mass in Church House.

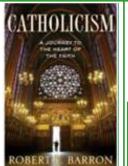
This course is ideal for anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church or for anyone wanting to know more about their faith.

Topics that will be covered include: Prayer and the Life of the Spirit; The Mystical

Union of Christ and the Church; The Mystery of the Liturgy: The Communion of Saints; The Mystery of God; The Last Things. The course revolves around short videos by Bishop Rober Barron, and has won international acclaim.

For more info ask Fr Jim or Wendy Sinclair

Please join SPUC Dundee for a Christmas Coffee Morning in St Columba's hall (Derwent Ave) after the **9am Mass on Saturday 22nd November.** Tombola, bottle stall, Christmas crafting table, Christmas cake raffle and lots more. We're open until 11.45am. Adults £1, kids 50p.



The Parish's thanks to Andrew McMaster for giving a talk about Scotland's War Grave Monuments, and to the Parish Social Committee who ran a Bingo in aid of the Restoration Fund. It is vitally important to Grant Providers that we are seen to be fundraising as a parish.

Due to unforeseen circumstances there will be <u>no</u>
<u>Christmas Party</u> this year but the Parish are going to
put on a **Christmas Afternoon Tea Dance on Sunday 7th December**. Tickets on Sale this weekend.

MASS FOR DECEASED BISHOPS, PRIESTS & DEACONS

This annual Mass will take place on **Friday 21 November at 1pm** in St Andrew's Cathedral, all invited to come along to the mass.

St Mary's has received a letter of thanks from Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity (similar to last week's from Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity) acknowledging the donation made in loving memory of Raymond Taylor.

Launch of the Office of Communications and Evangelisation—The Bishops have appointed **Fr Michael Kane as Director of this new Office**. He will be supported by a small team of staff who will coordinate national communications, distribute official statements, and assist with the wider evangelising mission of the Church.

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.

St Clement's News

Updating parish records /Invitation to share more deeply in parish life.

Thank you to all who have returned their forms. If you have not, because you do not wish to volunteer, can you please return it to enable us to update the Parish Records. Jesus said: I have given you an example, so that you can copy what I have done to you. This invitation seeks to affirm all that is being done, and invites everyone to have some share in the work of the church, and gives space for new suggestions and hopes.

We have been working through the forms and have held meetings for the welcomers, readers and the choir and the new sacristy team is now in place. If you have volunteered to help with the flowers and cleaning of the church & hall someone will contact you in the next week or so to coordinate these ministries. Thanks for your patience we are working through the wonderful number of responses. Thanks to you all.

BEETLE DRIVE

in St Clement's hospitality area

Tuesday18th November at 6pm.

A fun evening for all the family.

Adults £3. Children £1.

Get your Tickets SOON available now from fundraising group.

2pm Mass in St Clement's PS on Mon 24th for Feast.

Catechism Classes for children who do not attend a Catholic School run by the Missionaries of Charity. For more info please Phone 61286.

A Medjugorje reunion was help on Thursday night in St Clements, Mass was concelebrated by Fr Johney, Fr Tobias and Fr Dijo.

Thanks to all those who supported the Choral Concert by Candlelight in aid of St Mary's Restoration Fund and SCIAF in St Andrew's Cathedral. The wonderful sum of £2,107 was raised. The choir repeated the Concert in Perth and we await another donation.

A special thanks to Helen Band, Deacon Jim Murphie. and their choirs.



Please join us for tea and coffee which is being served today in the hospitality area.



Donations to Mary's Meals: The donation box will remain in the hospitality area for ongoing contributions. Thank you again for your kindness and generosity.

Thanks to all who have donated towards the flowers for the church, we will keep the box for donations in the hospitality area.

Also available today raffle tickets for our Christmas Prize Draw £1 a strip Various prizes include a beautiful hamper.

The feast of St Clements is next Sunday 23rd we plan to have Rosary at 2.30pm followed by mince rolls and a singalong please join us.

Our Wishing Tree is now in the porch, please take a tag and buy a gift, sweets or voucher. These will be given to the school and to families in the area at Christmas time. Also if you have any unwanted gifts or toiletries, we will accept them too and the school will use them for the children to wrap and give to their parents on Christmas day. Thank you in advance

Little Angels Baby and Toddler group Mondays—10.30am until 12.30

All parents and carers are welcome to bring their children for playtime, games singing and snacks.

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.

Catholic Education Week takes place each year from the Feast of St Margaret of Scotland (16th November) until the Feast of St Andrew (30th November). This is a week when we give thanks for our Catholic Schools and Catholic Teachers, and celebrate the link with our parishes. Please hold in your prayers all those involved with St Mary's P.S., St Clement's P.S., and St John's High School.

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.

