

# TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Saturday 24th June</b> <i>Vigil of 12th Sunday of Year</i>	4.15pm 5.00pm	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> St Peter in Chains	<i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	<i>Mary Harding RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 25th June</b> <i>Twelfth Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am 11.00am	St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>Joe Gallagher RIP</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Monday 26th June</b> <i>in the 12th Week of the year</i>				
<b>Tuesday 27th June</b> <i>in the 12th Week of the year</i>	9.30am 6.30pm 7.00pm	Ss John & Columba's <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass <i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	<i>Primary 7 kids</i> <i>Fr Kevin's Int</i>
<b>Wednesday 28th June</b> <i>Memorial of St Irenaeus</i>	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	<i>Effie Murphy RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 29th June</b> <i>Solemnity of Ss Peter &amp; Paul</i> <b>Holiday of Obligation</b>	10.00am 7.00pm	Ss John & Columba's St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>Pro Populo</i> <i>Protection of the unborn</i>
<b>Friday 30th June</b> <i>The First Martyrs of Rome</i>	10.00am	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	<i>Barry Kennedy</i>
<b>Saturday 1st July</b> <i>in the 12th Week of the year</i> <i>Vigil of 13th Sunday of Year</i>	10.00am 10.30am 4.15pm 5.00pm	Ss John & Columba's Ss John & Columba's St Peter in Chains St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass <i>Confessions</i> <i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	<i>Frances O'Brien</i> <i>Noleen Dietz RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 2nd July</b> <i>Twelfth Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am 11.00am	St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>Pro Populo</i> <i>Ian Rodger RIP</i>



### Prayer to Saint Michael

St Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and the snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

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THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF  
Ss JOHN & COLUMBA ROSYTH  
AND



ST PETER IN CHAINS INVERKEITHING

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A/1)  
25th June 2017

### PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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*Do not fear! This is a key word in our Gospel this Sunday, which, repeated three times, gives unity to the passage.*

*Probably is it a literary unity which joins together four isolated sayings. Faith requires as a basic disposition, not to fear. The themes which emerge: public proclamation of the Gospel (vv. 26-27), the availability to face martyrdom sacrificing physical life to attain eternal life (v. 28), images of trust in Providence (vv. 29-31), the courageous profession of faith in Christ (vv. 32-33).*

*The counter-positions are of a remarkable efficacy: veiled/unveiled, or covered/uncovered, hidden/known, darkness/light, body/soul, acknowledge/deny... which make evident the shore of a life lived evangelically. The veils of knowledge open themselves in the light and on the roofs of the universe the word heard in secret goes forth. The whole man is present to the heart of God, and if the creatures of the earth arouse tenderness, how much more the life of a creature-son. Belonging makes the difference in the witness. One who lives the divine sonship of God cannot deny the paternal roots! Keep close to the Lord, and he will keep close to you...*

### Response to the Psalm:

*In your great love, answer me, O Lord.*

### Gospel Acclamation:

*The Spirit of truth will be my witness;  
and you too will be my witnesses.*

## Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

John Ash, Paddy McCafferty, Susan Stevenson, May Lannan, Pat Condon, Theresa Murphy, Kitty McHale, Marie Boyle, Isabelle Doig, Joan McBride, Franki Murray, Joe McBride, Sandy McIntyre, Marie Cushley, Violet Merrilees, Tom Kelly, Hugh Finnigan, Anna Bonnar, Rose Toher, Jim McElhinney, James Kelly, Sandy Moffat

## Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Father Martin Xavier Vazhachira RIP (*Edinburgh*)

### Parish Safeguarding Officers

Lisa Quinn & Theresa Hughes (Rosyth); Maureen Ritchie & Patricia Watt (Inverkeithing)

### Baptisms & Marriages

Arrangements for weddings (for which six months notice is required) and Baptisms should be made by appointment with Fr. Dow

### Sacrament of the Sick / Hospital Visitations

Those who require the Sacrament of the Sick at home should contact the Parish House to arrange for Fr. Dow to visit. The Anointing of the Sick should ordinarily be arranged prior to any prolonged hospital visit. The Catholic Chaplain to the Victoria Hospital is Fr Wanat SDS of St Marie's Kirkcaldy (Tel: 01592 592111). In cases of emergency where you or a family member require the pastoral assistance of the Catholic Chaplain (*emergency cover is provided by the various priests in Fife*) please request this from the nursing staff at the hospital. For patients in Queen Margaret Hospital please contact Fr Chris Heenan at St Margaret's (625611) **Please note that a patient/family request must be made before the clergy can visit.**

### Names for sick list

Names can only be added by the person themselves or by a member of the family. Please advise Father of any name to be added or removed.

### Mass Intentions

Please try to have any intention that is required to be said on a particular date in a month before hand. On occasion when a funeral takes place, the stated intention will be moved to the next available date.

### Hall Bookings

Please contact Mrs Pat Reid on 417214 for availability.

### Bulletin Notices

All notices should be dropped through the Presbytery letter box or sent by email by Thursday evening

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Stand Orders	Total
St Peter in Chains	£220.00	£167.00	£372.00	£759.00
Ss John & Columba's	£50.00	£223.10	£121.00	£394.10
Building Fund (Rosyth)	£23.00	£134.50		£157.50

**Welcome:** If you are a visitor to the parish, we want you to know how welcome you are – whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world or simply from another parish. *We give a particular warm welcome during the 11am Mass to Fr Jaroslaw Kwiecień and some of his seminarians from the Diocese of Koszalin-Kolobrzeg in Poland.*

**Your prayers are requested for** Father Martin Xavier Vazhachira, presently serving in St John the Baptist parish in Corstorphine, Edinburgh, who had been reported missing since Tuesday, but sadly whose body was found on Friday evening. May he rest in peace.

### Anniversary of Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood of Jesus Christ:

This coming Tuesday, Fr Kevin will celebrate the 7pm Mass in thanksgiving for his ordination which took place 14 years ago. We also remember Fr James Boyle, Parish Priest in the Falkirk cluster of parishes and son of Ss John & Columba's who was ordained at the same time as our own Parish Priest. *Please join Fr Kevin on Tuesday, praying for him and his ministry.*

**Holy Day of Obligation:** Thursday 29th June is the Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul and we are obliged to attend Holy Mass on that day. *Masses will be at 10am in Ss John & Columba's and 7pm in St Peter in Chains.*

**A Special Collection** will be taken next week-end for Peter's Pence, the annual collection that is sent to the Vatican for the Pope to use assisting those in need throughout the world.

**Sponsored Walk:** A sponsored walk has been organised for the parishioners of Ss John & Columba's (*St Peter's parishioners are also welcome!*) to come together and raise some money to help pay for the re-painting of the church exterior, and to have some 'fun' together as we walk the costal path that runs along the south of our parish boundary. The walk from Crombie to this side of the motorway at South Queensferry, is 9 miles long.

The date is set for Saturday 19th August and I'm informed should take about 3 hours.... Sponsor sheets are available at the back of the church.

**Scottish Catholic Youth Survey**— Ahead of the October 2018 Synod on Youth in Rome, all of our young people are invited to complete a survey online. The deadline is the 30th of June and there are Amazon vouchers available— takes ten minutes and makes you part of the decision making process. [www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/CYSSYS](http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/CYSSYS)

**Stewardship Reflection:** *"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."* MATTHEW 10:32

Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith or do you remain silent when the situation arises? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself.

**Catholic Social Teaching:** *For victims of torture*

"Whatever violates the integrity of the human person, such as...torments inflicted on body or mind, attempts to coerce the will itself... are infamies indeed. They poison human society but they do more harm to those who practise them than those who suffer from the injury. Moreover they are supreme dishonour to the Creator"

