

TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 30th July <i>Vigil of Eighteenth Sunday of the Year C</i>	(I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Olga Gagliardi RIP</i>)
Sunday 31st July <i>Eighteenth Sunday of the Year C</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (<i>Pro Populo</i>) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (<i>Karine Scott RIP</i>) (R) 12.15pm Msza Święta w języku polskim
Monday 1st August <i>Feast of St Peter in chains</i>	(I) 1.00pm Holy Mass
Tuesday 2nd August <i>in the 18th Week of the Year</i>	(R) 6.30pm Confessions (R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Mark Matthews RIP</i>)
Wednesday 3rd August <i>in the 18th Week of the Year</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>Russell Rodger RIP</i>)
Thursday 4th August <i>Memorial of St John Mary Vianney</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>Pat Coyne RIP</i>)
Friday 5th August <i>in the 18th Week of the Year</i>	(R) 07.30am Holy Mass (<i>Margaret Thomson RIP</i>)
Saturday 6th August <i>in the 18th Week of the Year</i> <i>Vigil of Nineteenth Sunday of the Year</i>	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>Karine Scott RIP</i>) (R) 10.30am Confessions (I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Fr Brian Donnelly RIP</i>)
Sunday 7th August <i>Nineteenth Sunday of the Year C</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (<i>Michael Anastasio RIP</i>) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (<i>Pro Populo</i>) (R) 12.15pm Msza Święta w języku polskim

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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AND



ST PETER IN CHAINS INVERKEITHING

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C
31st July 2016

PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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In today's Gospel, Jesus is addressed as "teacher", and is asked to force a decision in an inheritance debate. He demonstrates that he is "teacher" rather than "divider". He tells a hard hitting story. He knows that story-telling is more effective in bringing people to life-giving decisions than is any attempt to bring down a definitive ruling, especially for those who surely know the law. His story is about a land-owner who is blessed by an abundant harvest. The steward as well as the peasant workers and their families might reasonably expect a share in the profits, even perhaps a remission of the debts they inevitably carry. In this instance, the blessing of abundance turns the land-owner in upon himself rather than out towards others and so "toward God". First person singular pronouns predominate: "What am I to do? I have no place... I will do this... I will... I will... I will..." The futility or senselessness of stockpiling for personal gain is highlighted by the shift to second person singular, "You fool...", and by the divine judgment on the landowner's self-focus and greed. Greed appears in today's second reading from the letter to the people of Colossae. For the author of that letter, greed is simply idolatry, worship of a false god.

Today's Mass Responses:

Psalm: *O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.*

Gospel Acclamation:

Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth

NEWS & EVENTS

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

John Ash, Ronnie Gorman, Paddy McCafferty, Susan Stevenson, May Lannan, Pat Condon, Theresa Murphy, Marie Boyle, Isabelle Doig, Alvaro Gagliardi, Joan McBride, Franki Murray, James McElhinney, Joe McBride, Helen O'Neill, Marie Cushley, Sheila Dredge

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Parish Safeguarding Officers

Lisa Quinn & Theresa Hughes (Rosyth) Bill Kirkton & 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 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

Mass	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Total
St Peter in Chains (5.00pm)	150 £	104,14 £	254,14 £
St Peter in Chains (9.30am)	74,50 £	98 £	172,50 £
Ss John & Columba's (11.00am)	56 £	60,20 £	116 £
<i>Building Fund</i>	26 £	47 £	73 £

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.

Monday 1st August: is the Feast of St Peter in Chains, Fr Radek will celebrate Mass in St Peter in Chains Church at 1pm to be followed by...

The Social Group will next meet on Monday 1st August, at the usual time, with entertainment provided by Marilyn Child's.

The Margaret Sinclair Story: This is a brand new one-woman play dramatizing the life, times and everyday sanctity of Edinburgh's beloved Margaret Sinclair (1900-1925). Written and directed by Stephen Callaghan. Performed by Mary Frances Jennow. Venue: St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh. Dates: August 6-12 at 7.45pm and August 9 and 11 at 3pm. Tickets: £6 waged and £5 un-waged/concession.

Stewardship Reflection: *"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."* Luke 12:15

The Gospel message today is so contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not store up or hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle.

This is our Faith: Some steps to showing due reverence towards the Blessed Sacrament-

1. Prepare well for every Mass by: abstaining from food and drink (medicine and water may be taken) for at least one hour before receiving Holy Communion; going to Confession to a

priest and stating any and all mortal sins that you have not confessed before; praying before Holy Mass and performing acts of charity and self-denial Furthermore, only those persons who are practicing Catholics, who believe as the Church does regarding the Most Holy Eucharist and whose marriages are recognized as valid by the Holy Catholic Church may receive Holy Communion.

2. Genuflect when entering and leaving the Church and whenever passing before the Tabernacle or the Altar on which the Body and Blood of Christ rest. Dress modestly—avoiding revealing and sloppy clothes—and do not chew gum. Speak accurately about the Most Holy Eucharist, never referring to It as "bread and wine."

3. Refrain from useless chattering before the Tabernacle before, during and after the Holy Mass in order to adore Him and to concentrate attention on the Risen Lord Jesus. Talking unnecessarily in the holy presence of the Most Blessed Sacrament destroys a golden occasion to learn at the Feet of the Master.

4. Receive Holy Communion with joy and fervour. We receive Jesus on our tongues or, in a country where it is permitted, in our hands (a profound bow or genuflection before receiving Holy Communion is very appropriate). When we receive Jesus on our tongues, we simply say "Amen" and permit the priest or deacon to place Christ there. If we receive in the hand, then we make a throne for the Lord, placing our "stronger" hand on the bottom and our "weaker" hand on top. Proclaiming "Amen," we receive the Host (rather than lunging for It), and place the Host in our mouth using the stronger hand underneath. We must never receive the Sacred Host "on the run." Kneelers have been provided for those who wish to/are able to receive Communion in this ancient and venerable manner.