

TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 16th Sept <i>Vigil of 24th Sunday</i>	4.15pm 5.00pm	St Peter in Chains St Peter in Chains	Confessions Holy Mass	Mary Davies RIP
Sunday 17th September <i>Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am 11.00am	St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass Holy Mass	Pro Populo Agnes Wilson RIP
Monday 18th September <i>in the 24th Week of the year</i>				
Tuesday 19th September <i>in the 24th Week of the year</i>	6.00pm 6.15pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	Ss John & Columba's Ss John & Columba's Ss John & Columba's Ss John & Columba's	Exposition Vespers Confessions Holy Mass	Margaret Seymour's Int
Wednesday 20th Sept <i>Mem of St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and Paul Chong Ha-Sang & Co</i>	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Noleen Diets RIP
Thursday 21st Sept <i>Feast of St Matthew</i>	7.00pm	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass	Fraser Family
Friday 22nd September <i>in the 24th Week of the year</i>	10.00am	Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass	Margaret Stewart
Saturday 23rd Sept <i>Mem of St Pius of Pietrelcina</i> <i>Vigil of 25th Sunday</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 Confessions Confessions Holy Mass	Barry Kennedy Marjory Pooley RIP
Sunday 24 September <i>Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year</i>	9.30am 11.00am	St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass Holy Mass	Anthony McShane RIP Pro Populo

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

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THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF
Ss JOHN & COLUMBA ROSYTH
AND



ST PETER IN CHAINS INVERKEITHING

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A/1)
17th September 2017

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In the Gospel of the 24th Sunday of ordinary time, Jesus tells us of the need to forgive our brothers and sisters. It is not easy to forgive. There are some offences and insults that go on hurting us. Some say: "I forgive, but not forget." I cannot forget!

Resentment, tensions, different opinions, provocations make it difficult to forgive and be reconciled. Why is it that forgiving is so difficult?

Do I create a space in my family, my community, my work and my relationships for reconciliation and forgiveness?

How?

Meditate on the third part of the "Sermon on the Community" (Mt 18:21-35), where Matthew puts together the sayings and parables of Jesus on limitless forgiveness. As you read, think of yourself and try to look back on your life.

Response to the Psalm:

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

Gospel Acclamation:

*I give you a new commandment:
love one another just as I have loved you, says the Lord.*

NEWS & EVENTS

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

John Ash, Paddy McCafferty, Susan Stevenson, May Lannan, Pat Condon, Theresa Murphy, Jenny Campbell, Marie Boyle, Isabelle Doig, Joan McBride, Joe McBride, Sandy McIntyre, Marie Cushley, Violet Merrilees, Tom Kelly, Hugh Finnigan, Anna Bonnar, Margaret Seymour, Rose Toher, Jim McElhinney, James Kelly, Sandy Moffat, Colin Flett

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

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	£218.50	£143.85	£121.00	£483.35
Ss John & Columba's	£60.00	£122.20	£372.00	£554.20
<i>Building Fund (Rosyth)</i>	£36.00	£66.70		£102.70

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.

First Reconciliation: A reminder that the deadline for application for children in Primary 3 and above for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation is this coming Monday (*18th September*).

Aged & Inform Clergy Fund: there will be a special collection this weekend for the retired priests of the archdiocese. Gift Aid envelopes are available at the back of the church. *Please only use an envelope if you are a tax payer and claiming the gift aid.*

Healing Mass and Sacrament of the Sick will be held in St Peter in Chains on Saturday 21st October at 11am. If you require a life to Church, please contact Jim Meade, President of the parish SVdP Society on 07979 564506

St Margaret's Pilgrimage Dunfermline 2018: Notice has been received that the organising committee are looking for new members to help in the organising of next years pilgrimage, which is due to take place on Sunday 10th June 2018. They are opening up membership of the committee to the local cluster parishes (of which we are members). If you wish to attend the next meeting in St Margaret's Presbytery, Dunfermline at 7pm on 25th October 2017, please let Fr Chris know on 625611

Out of the Darkness - A witness to Faith & Conversion Mr. Anthony Gierty who spoke recently at the New Dawn Conference in St. Andrews will be coming to St. James' Catholic Church, Kinross on the evening of Monday 2nd October. After the 7pm evening Mass, Anthony will give his testimony on how God has changed his life. Having spent time in prison, Anthony, who is now married with children, will share with his experiences and

how faith in and a relationship with Jesus has transformed his life. Please consider going to what will be an encouraging and moving evening. He has written a book about his experiences entitled "Out of the Darkness".

Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage & Hospitalite Committee are celebrating 70 years. A Mass of Thanksgiving is being held in St Kentigern's Church, Edinburgh on Sat 28th October at 6pm by the Archbishop, which will be followed by a meal in the hall. Tickets cost £30 for 3 course meal and drinks. Tickets are available from Jennifer Williams or Fr Kevin.

SCIAF Gala Dinner: The Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund are hosting their very first Charity Gala Dinner on Saturday 4 November to raise vital funds to support their work. Guests will enjoy a drinks reception, a three course dinner, live music, dancing and a charity auction featuring artwork by well-known artists and a rare Celtic Opus. Tickets start at £75 per person, and all of the profit raised will go directly to SCIAF's work. To reserve your place or book a table please call Teresa McGoldrick on 0141 354 5555 or email tmcgoldrick@sciaf.org.uk.

Rosyth Methodist Church in partnership with St Margaret's Episcopal Church invite you to join them in a celebration of the work of the Christian Blind Mission at 6pm on Sunday 1st October.

Stewardship Reflection: *"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's" - ROMANS 14:8*

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He wants you to use the gifts He has given you.