

## TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Saturday 20th May</b> <i>Vigil of the Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	4.15pm 5.00pm	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i>	Confessions Holy Mass	<i>(Donor's Int)</i>
<b>Sunday 21st May</b> <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	9.30am 11.00am	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i>	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>(Jack McGuire RIP)</i> <i>(Protection of the unborn)</i>
<b>Monday 22nd May</b> <i>within the 6th Week of Easter</i>				
<b>Tuesday 23rd May</b> <i>within the 6th Week of Easter</i>	6.30pm 6.40pm 7.00pm	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i>	Confessions Rosary Holy Mass	<i>(Donor's Int)</i>
<b>Wednesday 24th May</b> <i>within the 6th Week of Easter</i>	10.00am	<i>St Peter in Chains</i>	Holy Mass	<i>(Kate Finnigan RIP)</i>
<b>Thursday 25th May</b> <i>Solemnity of the Ascension</i>	10.00am 7.00pm	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i>	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>(Pro Populo)</i> <i>(M Harding RIP)</i>
<b>Friday 26th May</b> <i>Memorial of St Philip Neri</i>	10.00am	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i>	Holy Mass	<i>Donor's Int</i>
<b>Saturday 27th May</b> <i>within the 6th Week of Easter</i> <i>Vigil of the Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00am 10.30am 4.15pm 5.00pm	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i>	Holy Mass Confessions Confessions Holy Mass	<i>Donor's Int</i> <i>(Paul DiCarlo RIP)</i>
<b>Sunday 28th May</b> <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	9.30am 11.00am	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i>	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>(Pro Populo)</i> <i>(Christine Milligan 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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A/1)  
21st May 2017

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Today is the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter. Our journey of discovery of the risen Christ with the disciples is drawing to its dramatic conclusion. This coming Thursday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord and then on 4<sup>th</sup> June we celebrate the great Solemnity of Pentecost. In these closing days of the Easter Season our readings, especially the Gospel, change from direct encounters with the Risen Christ to Jesus' Last Supper Discourses from St John's Gospel where Jesus assured the disciples that no matter what happened, they would not be left to fend for themselves.

The Easter Season is about *mystagogy*, to lead through the mysteries. Mystagogy is part of the Christian Initiation process when newly baptized Catholics are introduced to and participate in the sacramental life of the Church. But mystagogy is so much more than an introduction to the sacramental mysteries of the Church. It is a lifelong process. It is our perpetual discovery of God's abiding love for us.

### Response to the Psalm:

*Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.*

### Gospel Acclamation:

*Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'*

**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, Helen O'Neill, Marie Cushley, Sheila Dredge, Violet Merrilees, Tom Kelly, Hugh Finnigan, Anna Bonnar, Jacqueline Hannen, Margaret Seymour, Jim McElhinney, James Kelly, Sandy Moffat

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

*Josephine Gallagher RIP (Inverkeithing)*

**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

Mass	Gift Aid	Loose monies	Total
St Peter in Chains (vigil)	71.00	£96.08	<b>£167.08</b>
St Peter in Chains (9.30am)	£101.00	£100.00	<b>£201.00</b>
Ss John & Columba's (11.00am)	£51.00	£101.40	<b>£152.40</b>
<i>Building Fund (Rosyth)</i>	<i>£30.00</i>	<i>£58.30</i>	<i>£88.30</i>

**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 welcome Fr Joe Millar SPS who is covering the Masses this weekend whilst Fr Kevin is on pilgrimage in Lourdes with the Bishopric of the Forces.*

**The Confraternity of St Joseph** will next meet on Wednesday 24th May in the Presbytery.

**Holy Day of Obligation:** Thursday of this week is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Masses are at 10am in Ss John & Columba's and 7pm in St Peter in Chains.

**Please pray** for the children of our parishes who will receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation from Archbishop Cushley on Friday 2nd June in St Peter in Chains and for those who will be making their First Holy Communion on Sunday 18th June in Ss John & Columba's. *A parent's meeting will be held on Tuesday 23rd May after 7pm Mass.*

**The piety stall** in each church has new stock in for presents for Confirmation & 1st Holy Communion...

**A coffee morning** is being held in St Peter in Chains Hall for the Nicola Murray Foundation on Sat 27th May 10-12pm. *Everyone welcome!*

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place** in St Peter in Chains on Sunday 28th May (7th Sunday of Easter). From 12.30pm with a Holy Hour at 3pm.

**St Peter in Chains 40th anniversary:** To celebrate the 40th anniversary of the opening of the current building, we are looking for pictures of events that have taken place in the church over the years e.g. Weddings, sacraments. Etc. If you are able to loan some photos, please try to identify the event and year.

We are also asking for financial donations for flowers, to mark the occasion and the Archbishop's visit for Mass on the 28th at 9.30am.

After 7pm Mass on Thursday 25th May, we will organise the Church and put up the displays, so volunteers are very welcome.

**The St Margaret's Pilgrimage** in Dunfermline will be held on Sunday 11th June 2017. Procession from the Glen gates at 2.15pm with Holy Mass being celebrated at 3pm

**A Landings coffee morning** will be taking place at Our Lady of Lourdes church hall on Wednesday 7th June 2017 at 10.30 - 11.30. This will be a very informal opportunity for people to find out more about the Landings ministry (*assisting Catholics who have left the practice of the Faith*) and what it entails.

**Archdiocesan Lourdes Day:** The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh Hospitalité Committee are hosting an Archdiocesan Lourdes Day at 4pm on Sunday 18 June 2017 in Edinburgh. The purpose of the day is to bring the "spirit of Lourdes" back to the Archdiocese with last year's inaugural event proving a great success. Pilgrims should gather at St Bennet's, 42 Greenhill Gardens at 4pm. A rosary procession will then make its way to the nearby St Margaret's Chapel, Gillis Centre, for Solemn Benediction. A celebratory reception for pilgrims will follow.

**Stewardship Reflection:** *"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." 1 PETER 3:17*

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning, making sure things are progressing smoothly, then disaster strikes, we don't get the result that was intended. An unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively. Why me? I did everything right! Here's the thing – God has a different and better plan in store for you.