

TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 23rd April <i>Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	(I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Vhairi & Heather's Intentions</i>)
Sunday 24th April <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter (C)</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (<i>Sheila Drodge -sick</i>) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (<i>Pro Populo</i>)
Monday 25th April <i>Feast of St Mark</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>Martin Carroll RIP</i>)
Tuesday 26th April <i>Tuesday in the 5th Week of Easter</i>	(R) 6.30pm Confessions (R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Donors Intention</i>)
Wednesday 27th April <i>Wednesday in the 5th Week of Easter</i>	(R) 7.00pm Confirmations by <i>Archbishop Cushley</i>
Thursday 28th April <i>Thursday in the 5th Week of Easter</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>Nicola Murray RIP</i>)
Friday 29th April <i>Feast of St Catherine of Siena</i>	(R) 7.30am NO MASS
Saturday 30th April <i>Saturday in the 5th Week of Easter</i> <i>Vigil of Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	(R) 10.00am No MASS (R) 10.30am NO Confessions (I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Jordan Curran RIP</i>)
Sunday 1st May <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter (C)</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (<i>Therese McIntyre RIP</i>) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (<i>Donors Intention</i>)



Prayer to Saint Michael

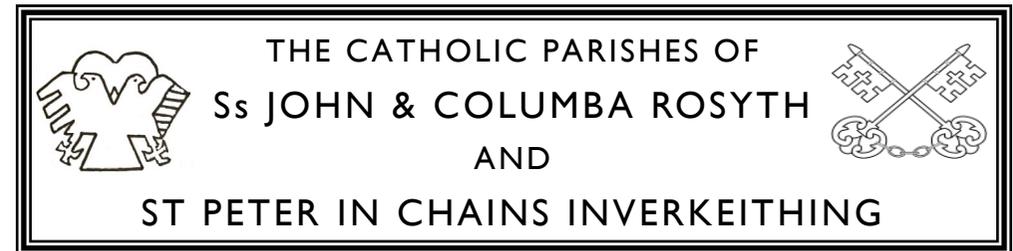
St Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and the snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl throughout the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

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)
23rd/24th April 2016

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In our Gospel reading this weekend, our Blessed Lord gives to the Apostles, and to us today, a simple, yet profound message. A message of love. We must choose how we respond to the Lord and His message of love. Each of us needs to ask ourselves:

- Is my love for my brothers and sisters directly proportional to my love for Christ?
- Do I see the Lord present in the person of my brother and sister?
- Do I use the daily little occasions to do good to others?
- Let us examine our daily life: can I live with my brothers and sisters from morning till night and not accept and love them?
- Does love give meaning to the whole of my life?
- What can I do to show my gratitude to the Lord who became servant for me and consecrated his whole life for my good? Jesus replies: Serve me in brothers and sisters: this is the most authentic way of showing your practical love for me.

Today's Mass Responses:

Psalm: *I will bless your name for ever, O God my King*

Gospel Acclamation

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

PARISH NEWS

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

John Ash, Ronnie Gorman, Sandy Rankin, Paddy McCafferty, Pat Coyne, Susan Stevenson, May Lannan, Margaret Thomson, Pat Condon, Theresa Murphy, Marie Boyle, Isabelle Doig, Alvaro Gagliardi, Joan McBride, Franki Murray, James McElhinney, Joe McBride, Helen O'Neill, Karine Scott

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Parish Safeguarding Officers

Lisa Quinn & Theresa Hughes (*Rosyth*) Bill Kirkton & Patricia Watt (*Inverkeithing*)

Marriages & Baptisms

Arrangements for weddings (for which six months notice is required) and for 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 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	Non Gift Aid	Total
St Peter in chains (5.00pm)	£137.00	£117.20	£254.20
St Peter in chains (9.30am)	£63.50	£60.58	£124.08
Ss John & Columba (11.00am)	£64.00	£70.40	£134.40
<i>Ecclesiastical Student Fund</i>	<i>St Peter's: £236.11</i>	<i>Ss John & Columba's: £109.50</i>	<i>Combined: £345.61</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 this weekend, Mrs Emma Robertson who is the Archdiocesan Coordinator of Special Religious Education Programme (SPRED), who has asked to speak to the parishes on the work of SPRED.

Special Collection: this weekend, there is a special collection to be taken on the instruction of Pope Francis. This is part of a special humanitarian initiative being implemented by the Holy Father for the suffering people of Ukraine. Presently, there are around 3 million people living in extreme hardship in the regions most affected by the on going conflict in that part of Europe. Please be as generous as you can, and remember the also in your prayers.

60's Night Social: Many thanks to all who organised and participated the event. A great night was had by all.

Confirmations: please pray for the ten children of our parishes who will be confirmed on Wednesday evening by the Archbishop, that they may truly come to know God in their lives, especially through the example of their parents and families.

Fr Kevin will be away attending the diaconate ordinations at the Scots College in Rome next weekend. Please note the Mass schedule. Fr Capaldi will celebrate the Sunday Masses.

Holy Day of Obligation: Thursday 5th May is the Solemnity of the Ascension. Masses will be at 10am in St Peter's and 7.00pm in Ss John & Columba's.

Rosyth Community Workers Meeting: Tuesday 26th April at the earlier time of 12pm -1pm in Rosyth Parish Church.

The Nicola Murray Foundation Coffee Morning: Sat 21st May at St Peter In Chains Church Hall from 10am-12 noon. There will be home baking, tombola and raffle.

The Schoenstatt Sisters at Campsie Glen – have organised a retreat: 'The Residential Pilgrimage 2016: God's Mercy in Our Lives (A Year of Mercy Pilgrimage) Friday 20 May Arrival 10:30am Departure Saturday 21st 11:30 £65.' Includes Lunch, Dinner and Breakfast, all teas and coffees and all materials. Tel:01360 312718 for more info.

Mind Body and Soul 2016. One Day Residential Retreat Friday May 27 Arrival 10:30 leave Saturday 28th 11:30am £80. This retreat focuses on the holistic health of the individual, incorporating diet, and wellness. Superb if you are looking to improve your health and includes awareness of healthy eating, juicing for health, advanced nutrition and much more. Includes Lunch, Dinner, Breakfast and a range of tastings, all teas and coffees and a mass of materials for a healthy lifestyle. Full details are on our website by clicking 'events' on the homepage. www.schoenstatt.co.uk Contact: 01360 312 718 to book.

The Way of St Andrews - SPRING UPDATE. To see the latest on the revival of the ancient pilgrimage to St Andrews (The Little Camino) please visit: www.thewayofstandrews.com

Catholic Singles is an organization which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website www.catholicssingles.org.uk or email info@catholicssingles.org.uk

Internet aids for prayer The following website is very useful to help us prepare for Sunday Mass –www.wednesdayword.org For daily prayer www.sacredspace.ie is excellent.