

# TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Saturday 16th April</b> <i>Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	(I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass ( <i>Pat Lamond RIP</i> )
<b>Sunday 17th April</b> <i>Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass ( <i>Pro Populo</i> ) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass ( <i>Holy Souls</i> ) <i>Followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, until</i> (R) 3.00pm Holy Hour for Vocations
<b>Monday 18th April</b> <i>Memorial in the 4th Week of Easter</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass ( <i>Thomas Murphy RIP</i> )
<b>Tuesday 19th April</b> <i>Tuesday in the 4th Week of Easter</i>	(R) 6.30pm Confessions (R) 7.00pm Holy Mass ( <i>Henry Dellar RIP</i> )
<b>Wednesday 20th April</b> <i>Wednesday in the 4th Week of Easter</i>	
<b>Thursday 21st April</b> <i>Thursday in the 4th Week of Easter</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass ( <i>Thomas Hannan RIP</i> )
<b>Friday 22nd April</b> <i>Friday in the 4th Week of Easter</i>	(R) 7.30am Holy Mass ( <i>Margaret Glancey RIP</i> )
<b>Saturday 23rd April</b> <i>Saturday in the 4th Week of Easter</i>  <i>Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass ( <i>Jack McKeown RIP</i> ) (R) 10.30am Confessions (I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass ( <i>Vhairi Heather's Intentions</i> )
<b>Sunday 24th April</b> <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> )

### 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  
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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

16th/17th April 2016

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In meditating on today's Gospel two verbs emerge: we will never be "lost, damned" and nobody will be able to "snatch" us from the presence of Christ who protects our life. This is the foundation and motivation of our daily assurance. This idea is expressed in such a luminous way by St Paul: "*For I am certain that nothing can separate us from his love: neither death nor life, neither angels nor other heavenly rulers or powers, neither the present nor the future, neither the world above nor the world below – there is nothing in all creation that will ever be able to separate us from the love of God which is ours through Christ Jesus, our Lord*" (Rm 8,38-39). When between the believer and the Person of Jesus is established a relation made by calls and listening, then life proceeds assured to attain spiritual maturity and success. The true foundation of this assurance lies in discovering every day the divine identity of this Shepherd who is the assurance of our life. *Do you experience this security and this serenity when you feel threatened by evil?*

The words of Jesus "I give them eternal life" assure us that the end of our journey as a believer, is not dark and uncertain. *For you, does eternal life refer to the number of years that you can live or instead does it recall your communion of life with God himself? Is the experience of the company of God in your life a reason for joy?*

### Today's Mass Responses:

**Psalm:** *We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

### Gospel Acclamation

*I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my own sheep and my own know me.*

# 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)			
St Peter in chains (9.30am)			
Ss John & Columba (11.00am)			
Building Fund (Rosyth)			

**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.

**Special Collection:** this weekend on Good Shepherd Sunday for the Ecclesiastical Student Fund (training of priests).

### Exposition of the Blessed

**Sacrament:** every year the Archdiocese allocates several parishes to host a period of Exposition on a given Sunday. As can be seen from the Diocesan Directory, Ss John & Columba's has been appointed for THIS Sunday and St Peter in chains' is to host on Sunday 8th May. Therefore, Adoration will take place this Sunday from the close of Mass until a Holy Hour taking place at 3pm, in Ss John & Columba's. *Please take the time to spend with the Lord and to pray for new priests (and the few we have!)*

**Statue of St Michael the Archangel:** as will be noticed when entering St Peter in chains, a new olive wood figure of St Michael has recently been put on display. On behalf of the parish, may I thank the generous benefactor who made a considerable contribution towards the purchase of said statue for the church.

**60's Night Social:** Fri 22nd April from 7.30pm-11pm in St Peter's Hall. Music by D M Sounds. Tickets on sale after Mass. £5 each BYOB

**Gift-Aid Boxes:** if you have not already done so, please collect your envelopes that you will need for your donations, so that Gift Aid can be claimed back from the Tax.

**Confirmations:** please pray for the children of our parishes who will be confirmed next week by the Archbishop, that they may truly come to know God in their lives.

### Rosyth Garden City Association:

The annual exhibition will take place from Monday 23 until Saturday 28 May, 10am - 4pm and late opening on Wednesday evening



25 May 6 - 8pm.

The focus of the exhibition will be on the centenaries of Rosyth Garden City, the dockyard becoming operational and the Battle of Jutland.

As normal the four primary schools will also have displays on show.

**Pro – life Chain** on Saturday , April 23rd . Archbishop Cushley to lead the Rosary at 10 A.M. in Sacred Heart church Lauriston. This day marks the Anniversary of the Abortion Act. The Chain will be from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. on Lothian Road , Edinburgh . Look for people holding Pro- life placards. A Light Lunch will be held after the event in Sacred Heart Hall , Lauriston. For more info , contact S.P.U.C. Scotland tel: 01412212094 .

**The Bishops of Scotland** wish to inform teachers and students looking to teach in Catholic schools about how they can gain the Catholic Teacher's Certificate in Religious Education (CTC) in academic year 2016/17.

There are two options: (i) *Setting Out on the Road*. and (ii) the Certificate in Religious Education by Distance-learning (*CREDL*) Both options cost £200 for Catholic teachers or students residing in Scotland.

*Setting Out On the Road* is a course which introduces participants to This Is Our Faith, the Church's R.E. syllabus and is managed by the Scottish Catholic Education Service. It offers a blended learning model of 4 study days and distance-learning across one school year. Cost £200. For details and on-line application, go here to the SCES website. <http://sces.org.uk/setting-out-on-the-road/>

*CREDL* is the University of Glasgow route for qualified teachers, or for students studying an ITE programme at other universities. It is an on-line distance learning course and covers *Aspects of Theological Education* over two semesters. Applicants should enrol on both courses at the start of semester 1. Cost £200. (£455 with a subsidy of £255 from the applicant's diocese.) For details, go [here](http://www.gla.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/religiouseducationbydistancelearning/) to the CREDL website. <http://www.gla.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/religiouseducationbydistancelearning/>