

TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Saturday 7th May <i>Vigil of Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	(I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Tom Hannon RIP</i>)
Sunday 8th May <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter (C)</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (<i>Pro Populo</i>) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (<i>Llewellyn Lloyd RIP</i>) (I) 3.00pm Holy Hour
Monday 9th May <i>in the 7th Week of Easter</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>David Morrison RIP</i>)
Tuesday 10th May <i>in the 7th Week of Easter</i>	(R) 6.30pm Confessions (R) 7.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Jane Devine RIP</i>)
Wednesday 11th May <i>Wednesday in the 7th Week of Easter</i>	
Thursday 12th May <i>in the 7th Week of Easter</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>Donors Intention</i>)
Friday 13th May <i>in the 7th Week of Easter</i>	(R) 7.30am Holy Mass (<i>Caroline O'Kane RIP</i>)
Saturday 14th May <i>Feast of St Matthias</i> <i>Vigil of Pentecost</i>	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (<i>David Thomson RIP</i>) (R) 10.30am Confessions (I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass (<i>Fr Jim Cosker RIP</i>)
Sunday 15th May <i>Solemnity of Pentecost (C)</i>	(I) 9.30am Holy Mass (<i>Pro Populo</i>) (R) 11.00am Holy Mass (<i>Christine Milligan RIP</i>)



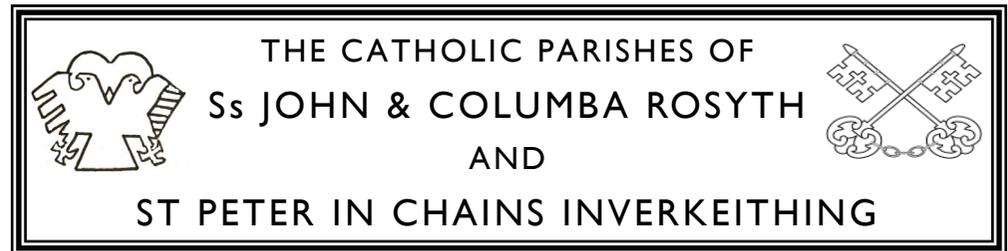
Prayer to Saint Michael

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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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)
7th/8th May 2016

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The seven verses of today's Gospel text are excerpted from the famous Chapter 17 of John's Gospel account, from what is often labelled the Priestly Prayer of Jesus. The vocabulary weaves a complex and profound statement of unity or oneness as among the principle Gospel virtues. The Church would enshrine this dominical command for unity in the 4th Century's Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed among the four "marks of the church": one, holy, catholic and apostolic. Note, however, that while this prayer was at first for those immediately around Jesus, today's text prays also "for those who will believe in me through their word..." That's a reference to Christians who come later, after that first generation, including us! Remember, this Gospel account is reckoned to have been written in the 90s AD, perhaps 60 to 70 years after the Last Supper (which is the setting in which this prayer was uttered). At this Gospel's writing, fully three generations of Christians have embraced the Gospel and still Jesus has not returned as originally, urgently and wrongly expected. Instead of giving up hope, the Church expanded the hope to include all those (even us!) who would come to believe in Christ and live his Gospel in the future.

Today's Mass Responses:
Psalm: *The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.*
Gospel Acclamation
*I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;
I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.*

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)	£189.00	£92.50	£281.50
St Peter in chains (9.30am)	£56.50	£89.80	£146.30
Ss John & Columba (11.00am)	£69.00	£61.90	£130.90
<i>Rosyth Building Fund:</i>	£65.00	£85.40	£150.40

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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour: will take place as previously announced in St Peter in Chains Church, this Sunday 8th May at 3pm. May devotions will take place during the Holy Hour.

Rosary in the Month of May: will be prayed publically on a Monday at 9.40am in St Peter in Chains, and on Tuesday at 6.40pm.

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.

Volunteers in Ss John & Columba's: Help is required with the Church cleaning and also with the Sunday teas. Please speak to Lisa Quinn if you are able to be of assistance. *I'm sure that more volunteers would also be welcome in St Peter in Chains...*

Parents Meeting of children in P3 and above: If you have a child in Primary 3 or above who you wish to make the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion in the coming year, please attend a meeting in Ss John & Columba's Church on Tuesday 17th May after the 7pm Mass

Change to weekday Masses: After Pentecost Sunday, Fr Kevin will be taking Monday as his day off. Weekday Masses will remain the same, except there will be no Mass in St Peter's on a Monday, but there will be a 10am Mass celebrated on Wednesday.

Bring flowers of the rarest..

It would be a nice gesture, and encouraging for our youngsters in the parish, to bring flowers to adorn our Lady's shrine in both churches.

SVdP: Please remember in your prayers the members of the St Vincent de Paul Society, who do a power of work not only in our own parishes, but also throughout the world. This coming Saturday, the members of the SVdP from throughout our Archdiocese gather in St Peter in Chains for a day of Recollection, pray that it may be a fruitful day for all concerned.

Enquirers weekend for the Priesthood 3-5 June, St Andrews:

Are you interested in the priesthood? Why not "come and see" at an Enquirers Weekend of Recollection in the historic town of St Andrews? From Friday evening to Sunday afternoon, there will be time for Holy Mass, prayer, coastal walks and social time with others who are perhaps just like you. Accommodation free. No commitment presumed. Ages 18-50. For further information, contact Vocations Director, Fr Michal John Galbraith at Vocations@staned.org.uk, 01334 472856.

Cardinal Bo is the first cardinal(2015) in Myanmar. He is known as being an outspoken defender of freedom of religion; interreligious dialogue; minority rights; global poverty; respect for life and integrity of creation. Tuesday 10th May: Lauriston Jesuit Centre, Edinburgh from 2.30-4.30pm. If you are interested phone Missio Scotland – 01236 449774.

24 hours with the Lord: St. Paul's and St. Mary's, Glenrothes has organised '24 Hours of the Lord' from 5.00pm Friday 13th May until 5.00pm Saturday 14th May at St. Paul's, Warout Rd., Glenrothes, KY7 4ER. This consists of 24 Hours of both private prayer and adoration and communal periods of prayer, including Mass. The main service is at 7.00pm on Friday evening and there is a closing time of prayer at 4.00pm on Saturday; Mass is at 10.00am on Saturday. Fr. Hughes of St. Agatha's and St. Giles' will lead a brief retreat on Saturday morning and Fr. Philip Jones CSSR will preach at the 7.00pm service on Friday evening. Please see the poster at the back of the Church for details, or look at the St. Paul's and St. Mary's website, or phone 01592 756758.