

# TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Saturday 30th April</b> <i>Vigil of Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	(I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass ( <i>Jordan Curran RIP</i> )
<b>Sunday 1st May</b> <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> )
<b>Monday 2nd May</b> <i>Memorial of St Athanasius</i>	(I) 10.00am NO MASS
<b>Tuesday 3rd May</b> <i>Feast of St Philip &amp; St James</i>	(R) 6.30pm No Confessions (R) 7.00pm NO MASS
<b>Wednesday 4th May</b> <i>Wednesday in the 6th Week of Easter</i>	
<b>Thursday 5th May</b> <i>Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord</i>	(I) 10.00am Holy Mass ( <i>Jordan Curran RIP</i> ) (R) 7.00pm Holy Mass ( <i>Pro Populo</i> )
<b>Friday 6th May</b> <i>Feast of St Catherine of Siena</i>	(R) 7.30am Holy Mass ( <i>Joyce Briant RIP</i> )
<b>Saturday 7th May</b> <i>Saturday in the 5th Week of Easter</i>  <i>Vigil of Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	(R) 10.00am Holy Mass (R) 10.30am Confessions (I) 4.15pm Confessions (I) 5.00pm Holy Mass ( <i>Tom Hannon RIP</i> )
<b>Sunday 8th May</b> <i>Sixth 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

### 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 (C)**  
 30th April/1st May 2016

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Love: a magic and ancient word as old as the world, a familiar word which is born in the horizon of every man in the moment in which he is called into existence. A word written in his human fibres as origin and end, as an instrument of peace, as bread and gift, as himself, as others, as God. A word entrusted to history through our history of every day. Love, a pact which has always had one name alone: man. Yes, because love coincides with man: love is the air that he breathes, love is the food which is given to him, love is the rest to which he entrusts himself, love is the bond of union which makes of him a land of encounter. That love with which God has seen in his creation and has given: "It is something very good". And he has not taken back the commitment taken when man made of himself a rejection more than a gift, a slap more than a caress, a stone thrown more than a silent tear. He has loved even more with the eyes and the heart of the Son, up to the end. This man who became a burning torch of sin, the Father has redeemed him, again and solely out of love, in the Fire of the Spirit.

### Today's Mass Responses:

**Psalm:** *Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.*

### 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.'*

# 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)	£169.00	£143.20	<b>£312.20</b>
St Peter in chains (9.30am)	£78.50	£73.00	<b>£151.50</b>
Ss John & Columba (11.00am)	£56.00	£88.30	<b>£144.30</b>
<i>Papal Fund for Ukraine</i>	<i>St Peter's: £517.55</i>	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's: £246.19</i>	<b><i>Combined: £763.74</i></b>

**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.

**Fr Kevin** is away attending the diaconate ordinations at the Scots College in Rome this 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.

### 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

**Monday Social Club:** Maggie Dee is the next turn!

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour:

will take place as previously announced in St Peter in Chains Church, on Sunday 8th May at 3pm.

**The Month of May** is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady, and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world [pay] to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits

of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (*Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May, no. 1*).

This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century. In this way, the Church was able to Christianize the secular feasts which were wont to take place at that time. In the 16th century, books appeared and fostered this devotion.

The practice became especially popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by 1700 it took hold among their students at the Roman College and a bit later it was publicly practiced in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the whole Church.

*A partial indulgence* is granted to the faithful who, in the performance of their duties and in bearing the trials of life, raise their mind with humble confidence to God, adding — even if only mentally — some pious invocation.

### An Act of Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary:

Holy Mary, Mother of God and Virgin, I choose thee this day for my queen, patron, and advocate, and firmly resolve and purpose never to abandon thee, never to say or do anything against thee, nor to permit that aught be done by others to dishonour thee. Receive me, then, I conjure thee, as thy perpetual servant; assist me in all my actions, and do not abandon me at the hour of my death. Amen. — *St. John Berchmans*

### 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.

