

TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

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| Saturday 9th December <i>Vigil of 2nd Sunday of Advent</i> | 4.15pm 5.00pm | <i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i> | <i>Confessions</i> <i>Holy Mass</i> | <i>Matilda Burnside</i> <i>RIP</i> |
| Sunday 10th December <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> | 9.30am 11.00am 4.00pm | <i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i> | <i>Holy Mass</i> <i>Holy Mass</i> <i>Holy Hour</i> | <i>Pro Populo</i> <i>Brian & Glen</i> <i>Gilmartin RIP</i> |
| Monday 11th December <i>in the 2nd Week of Advent</i> | | | | |
| Tuesday 12th December <i>Memorial of Our Lady of</i> <i>Guadalupe</i> | 6.00pm 6.15pm 6.30pm 7.00pm | <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> | <i>Exposition</i> <i>Vespers</i> <i>Confessions</i> <i>Holy Mass</i> | <i>Donors Intention</i> |
| Wednesday 13th Dec <i>Memorial of St Lucy</i> | 10.00am | <i>St Peter in Chains</i> | <i>NO Mass</i> | |
| Thursday 14th December <i>Memorial of St John of the Cross</i> | 10.00am | <i>St Peter in Chains</i> | <i>NO Mass</i> | |
| Friday 15th December <i>in the 2nd Week of Advent</i> | 10.00am | <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> | <i>NO Mass</i> | |
| Saturday 16th December <i>in the 2nd Week of Advent</i> | 10.00am 10.30am | <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> | <i>No Mass</i> | |
| <i>Vigil of 3rd Sunday of Advent</i> | 4.15pm 5.00pm | <i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i> | <i>Confessions</i> <i>Holy Mass</i> | <i>Mgr Matt</i> <i>Coakley RIP</i> |
| Sunday 17th December <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> | 9.30am 11.00am 4.00pm | <i>St Peter in Chains</i> <i>Ss John & Columba's</i> <i>St Peter in Chains</i> | <i>Holy Mass</i> <i>Holy Mass</i> <i>Holy Hour</i> | <i>Mary McCole</i> <i>RIP</i> <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
AND



ST PETER IN CHAINS INVERKEITHING

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT—YEAR B
10th December 2017

PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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Advent devotions

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a time of silence from **4.00pm on Sundays** followed by Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. *Confessions are also available during this time in St Peter in Chains Church.*
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a time of silence from **6.00pm on Tuesdays** followed by Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. *Confessions are also available during this time in Ss John & Columba's Church.*
- **Rorate Mass:** Mass by candlelight on the **Tuesdays of Advent at 7.00pm** in Ss John & Columba's Church



Response to the Psalm:

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

Gospel Acclamation:

*Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight,
and all mankind shall see the salvation of God.*

Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

John Ash, Paddy McCafferty, Susan Stevenson, May Lannan, Pat Condon, Theresa Murphy, Jenny Campbell, Marie Boyle, Isabelle Doig, Joan McBride, Joe McBride, Marie Cushley, Violet Merrilees, Anna Bonnar, Margaret Seymour, Rose Toher,
James Kelly, Sandy Moffat, Colin Flett

Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

Hugh Finnigan RIP Funeral Mass on Tuesday 19th Dec at 10am in St Peter in Chains

Parish Safeguarding Officers

Lisa Quinn (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 Gowans 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

| Parish | Gift Aid | Loose monies | Stand Orders | Total |
|------------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| St Peter in Chains | £234.00 | £207.30 | £121.00 | £562.30 |
| Ss John & Columba's | £46.00 | £109.00 | £372.00 | £527.00 |
| Building Fund (Rosyth) | £29.00 | £61.40 | | £90.40 |

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.

Visiting Clergy: We welcome Fr Joe Millar SPS who is covering the Vigil Mass this week-end. Fr Kevin will be away on annual retreat from Sunday 10th-Sat 16th December. On Tuesday 12th December, Fr Scott Deeley, PP of St Margaret's South Queensferry will preside and preach at the 7pm Rorate Mass in Rosyth.

Bambinelli Sunday, Blessing the Christ Child:

Another Advent devotion, is the blessing of the images of the baby Jesus from the family crib sets. During Fr Kevin's first Advent in the parish around 50 figures were handed out to the children of the parish, and over the years other children have brought their own figures along to be blessed. *The blessing of the baby Jesus will take place on Gaudete Sunday 17th Dec, so please look out your 'baby Jesus' and bring it along to be blessed!*

Advance notice of Christmas Masses:

Sun 24th Dec: Vigil @ 5pm in St Peter in Chains Church.

Midnight in Ss John & Columba's Church (*Carols from 11.30pm*).

Christmas Day at 10am in Ss John & Columba's Church.

Christmas Cards, Advent calendars etc are available for purchase from the piety stalls found in each Church.

Please help bring a smile to children and families in need in our community by donating new toys and non-perishable food items to the SSVP Christmas Hamper appeal. If everyone in our parish makes just one small donation, it will be a great success! *Place donations at the back of the church. Thank-you.*

SSVP Christmas raffle tickets are now on sale. There's a range of great prizes, including quality children's toys and fine wine. All proceeds go towards Christmas food hampers for the poor. Get your tickets from Elaine or Isobel after Mass [Inverkeithing and Rosyth]. *Prize donations welcome*

Tea/coffee on Sunday's in St Peter in Chains have raised the following amounts for the various charities:

Senior Citizens £100; Scottish Wildlife £100; Rapid Response £100; Mary's Meals £100; Living Memory £100; Nicola Murray Foundation £100; SVdP £500, total £1,100.

Blood Transfusion Service Mobile Unit will be at the Parkgate Community Centre in Rosyth on Wednesday 13th Dec from 2.30pm-4.00pm and 5.00pm-7.00pm.

New volunteers—anyone in good health between the ages of 17 and 66 welcome.

Part-time Parish Secretarial work: £8 per hour, 5 hours a week. Further details from Fr Kevin

Stewardship Reflection: *"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - MARK 1:3*

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, does just that – it puts us on the path to holiness and it invites others to be holy, too.

