

# TIMETABLE FOR THE COMING WEEK

<b>Saturday 27th January</b> <i>Vigil of the 4th Sunday of the Year (B)</i>	4.15pm 5.00pm	<i>St Peter in Chains</i> St Peter in Chains	<i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	<i>Noleen Munro</i> RIP
<b>Sunday 28th January</b> <i>Fourth Sunday of the Year (B)</i>	9.30am 11.00am	St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>Brian Stewart</i> RIP <i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Monday 29th January</b> <i>in the 4th Week of the Year</i>				
<b>Tuesday 30th January</b> <i>in the 4th Week of the Year (II)</i>	6.00pm 6.15pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	<i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i> Ss John & Columba's	<i>NO MASS</i>	
<b>Wednesday 31st January</b> <i>Memorial of St John Bosco</i>	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	<i>NO MASS</i>	
<b>Thursday 1st February</b> <i>in the 4th Week of the Year</i>	10.00am	St Peter in Chains	<i>NO MASS</i>	
<b>Friday 2nd February</b> <i>Feast of the Presentation</i>	10.00am	Ss John & Columba's	<i>NO MASS</i>	
<b>Saturday 3rd February</b> <i>in the 4th Week of the Year</i>  <i>Vigil of the 5th Sunday of the Year (B)</i>	10.00am 10.30am  4.15pm 5.00pm	Ss John & Columba's <i>Ss John &amp; Columba's</i>  <i>St Peter in Chains</i> St Peter in Chains	<i>NO MASS</i>  <i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	   <i>Sarah &amp; Peter</i> <i>Boner</i> RIP
<b>Sunday 4th February</b> <i>Fifth Sunday of the Year (B)</i>	9.30am 11.00am	St Peter in Chains Ss John & Columba's	Holy Mass Holy Mass	<i>George Dobbie</i> RIP <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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B/II)  
28th January 2018

### PARISH COMMUNICATIONS

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Today's Gospel continues our reading from Mark and describes what some believe was likely to have been a typical day in Jesus' ministry. Jesus and the disciples that chose to follow him in last week's Gospel arrive at Capernaum, a small village on the Sea of Galilee. Jesus teaches in the synagogue on the Sabbath. Mark reports that the people respond to Jesus' teaching with astonishment, noting Jesus' authority and contrasting it with the scribes'. Early in Mark's Gospel we already find evidence of the tension that will manifest itself fully in Jerusalem.

After Jesus' preaching, a man possessed with an unclean spirit calls out to Jesus. As we see in this example and throughout Mark's Gospel, the spirits and demons seem to know Jesus and are often fearful of him. In fact, they seem to understand Jesus' identity better than his disciples. Jesus orders the spirit to be quiet and drives the unclean spirit out of the man.

Jesus' ability to heal those possessed by demons is an indication of his power over evil.

### Response to the Psalm:

*O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts.'*

### Gospel Acclamation:

*The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light;  
on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.*

## NEWS & EVENTS

### Please remember in your prayers the sick and infirm

Janet Agnew, James Morris, 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, Michael McElhinney, *James Kelly, Sandy Moffat, Colin Flett*

### Of your charity, please pray for the recently deceased

#### 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	£208.00	£200.18	£121.00	<b>£529.18</b>
Ss John & Columba's	£52.00	£95.10	£372.00	<b>£519.10</b>
<i>Building Fund (Rosyth)</i>	£27.16	£45.70		<b>£72.80</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.

**Catholic Education Sunday** takes place this weekend (28th) and so a special collection will be taken to assist the work of the national commission.

**Not Available!** Fr Kevin will be taking a Christmas break (belated) from Monday 29th January to Saturday 3rd February.

**Lent 2018** Ash Wednesday this year falls on 14th February, and there will be Mass with the Distribution of Ashes at St Peter in Chains at 10:00am and at Ss John & Columba's Church at 7:00pm. It is a day of Fasting and Abstinence from meat. During Lent this year our Parish will be journeying with Vicky Park from our Ss John & Columba's community as she prepares for reception into full Communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening 31st March. This journey involves all our communities, being with her in prayer and getting to know her better.

**Palm crosses:** please return last year's palms to the back of the churches, so that they may be used to make the ashes for the start of Lent.

**The Great Parish Bake-Off** - 11th February 2018 - calling all bakers of all ages! Oven mitts on and whisks at the ready for the 1st Annual Parish Bake-Off. Come along at 3.00pm on Sunday 11th Feb 2018 to St Peter in Chains' hall with a dozen of your finest confections, bread creations or show stopping cakes. There will be prizes for the winners and lots of cake for everyone – hopefully! (*tickets for tea & cake are £1.50*). Funds raised to go towards the Parish Lourdes Fund. Further info on the posters - please e-mail your entry name and category to [ssjohn.columba.peter@gmail.com](mailto:ssjohn.columba.peter@gmail.com) or complete a yellow form and return to Fr.

**St Peter in Chains Piety Stall:** new stock in. Cards for all occasions. Prayer cards, medals, candles etc



**Job Vacancy:** A forward looking Christian Charity, supporting the Royal Naval Service and their families for 140 years.

We have a vacancy for Lay staff to join the following establishment:

**Rosyth Naval Base**

**Pastoral Worker**

One part time post 18hrs/week, pay £8,650

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Closing date: 9th February 2018

Interview dates: 21st February 2018

**Stewardship Reflection:** *“Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties.” - 1 Corinthians 7:32*

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this – use the word “pray” instead of the word “worry” in the future.