



St Mary's, Lochee, Dundee NEWSLETTER

Called to be bearers of Good News

Our Parish Vision: "A place where people experience God in a personal way, so that they become delighted disciples, joyously putting God first, and willing to invite others to explore the love of God (for them) through our parish community."

14th July, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading—Amos 7:12-15
Go, prophesy to my people.

Responsorial Psalm

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

Second Reading—Corinthians Ephesians 1:3-14
Before the world was made, God chose us.

Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, Alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel—Mark 6:7-13
Take nothing with you.

Sacred Liturgy Schedule

Vigil Mass at 4.30pm.

Sunday Mass 10.30am (livestreamed)
(refreshments after Mass in hall...all welcome)

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat Mass 10am

Weds 10am Eucharistic Service

Confessions:

Saturday 10.30-11am

Saturday 3.30pm-4pm

9.20am The Rosary before weekday Mass.

Tues: Novena to St Anthony post Mass

Thurs: Adoration & prayers for the renewal of St Mary's Parish after Mass

Sat: Adoration 10.30-11am

Next Sunday's Readings: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 22; Ephesians 2:13-18; Mark 30-34

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Deacon Charles Hendry and Catherine Collins; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Mulreany, Barbara Rogan, Theresa & Denise Kennedy and Alex Pankhurst. May they rest in peace.

Prayers for the sick: Please continue to remember the sick and the terminally ill in your prayers, especially those mentioned on our sick lists: David Duthie, Susan Ramsay, Betty Baily, Jim Murray, Marion Brannan, Kathleen McDonald, Scott Brown, Margaret Turner, Billy Higgins, Andrew Lynch, Ann Reilly, Jean Dailly, Bobby Gardiner, Martin Conroy, Jacqui Conroy, Ivan Garcia Pacheco, George Charles Milne, Kate Cuthill, Agnes Mulligan Veronica Cornock and Kathleen Wilson. (this list is cleared each calendar month).

May Our Lady of Lourdes (The Immaculate Conception) intercede for them.

Please send any names for these lists to the parish email address or add them to the list in foyer.

Funeral: St Peter & St Paul's, (Rev Dr) Deacon Charles Hendry, Reception of Remains 5pm Thursday 18th July, Funeral Mass 12 Noon Friday 19th July. May he rest in peace.

Prayer at time of death: Go forth, Christian soul, from this world in the name of God the almighty Father, who created you, in the name of Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who suffered for you, in the name of the Holy Spirit, who was poured out upon you, go forth, faithful Christian, may you live in peace this day, may your home be with God in Zion, with Mary, the virgin Mother of God, with Joseph, and all the angels and saints. Amen.



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www.youtube.com/@StMarysLochee Parish Website - www.stmaryslochee.org.uk

Serving Priest - Fr Jim Walls; Trainee Deacon—Jim Murphie

Scottish Charity Number: SC001810

Hospital Chaplain Mobile number 07821 624124; Safeguarding Coordinator: Emily Murphy

Finance Matters: Last week's collection: £1276

Restoration Fund: £151

Next Special Collection: Sunday 21st July for The Apostleship of the Sea.

Thanks to everyone who financially supports the parish; and enables the Church to reach out to those in need.

Gift Aid: Please consider Gift Aiding your collection and/or paying by Standing Order (forms available in the foyer). Gift Aid donors are reminded that they need to ensure that they have paid sufficient tax to cover claims.

St Mary's Restoration Fund: 100 Club: Congratulations to this week's winner, Gerald Toshney (90). There are spare numbers if anyone is interesting in joining to help support the St Mary's Restoration Fund.

Hall hire details: Please note that our hall is available for private lets and community use at very competitive rates. For further information and bookings please contact: Yvonne St Clair on yvonne_stclair@yahoo.co.uk or 01382-623618 Mob 07709040233



**Dear Lord, thank you for providing for the needs of the parish,
please keep us focused on your real treasure living amongst us: the poor.**

St Vincent De Paul

**and
pray for us.**

St Margaret of Scotland



Dates for your calendar:

Church Open Evening—part of the Festival of Archaeology—Weds 17th July at 7pm—St Mary's history, guided tour, refreshments.

Kiltwalk—Sunday 11th August, In aid of St Mary's Restoration Fund and Mary's Meals: helping at home and abroad.

Children's Magic Show—Harry Mudini—Sunday 25th August from 12 Noon—Free entry

Pre-loved Goods Fashion Show—Friday 30th August at 7pm

Talk on the Stars by Robert Law (Visitor Assistant Balgay Observatory) - Friday 13th September @ 7pm

Parish Gathering (Sun Sept 29th after Mass) reigniting Divine Renovation; presentation of Parish Accounts; update on Restoration Project; what is a Leadership Team; Charitable Activities; concluded by Cheese and Wine Social.

Dundee's Jute Industry a talk by John Quinn (Visitor Guide Verdant Works) - Friday 18th October @ 7pm.

Staffin Island Ceilidh band - St Andrew's Night—30th November @ 7pm

Regular Events—Weekly:

Prayers for Parish Renewal —Every Thursday after Mass in St Mary's—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and prayers for a renewal of faith and missionary fervour in our parish. All are welcome.

The Parish Leadership Team now has its summer break. Resumes Monday 12th August.

Monthly:

Dunkeld Serra Mass: Second Tuesday of the Month; 7pm Mass preceded by Adoration and Holy Hour at 6pm, and proceeded by refreshments & talk. Please keep praying for priests, deacons, and religious.

Taizé Holy Hour: Last Thursday of the Month 6.30pm Adoration, Scripture, chant, and silence.

St Peregrine's Mass will be on the First Saturday of the Month. As we now have a relic of St Peregrine anybody who wishes a blessing with it should simply approach Fr Jim or Trainee Deacon Jim Murphie after Mass. Hopefully we can build a shrine so that it is permanently on display. Every Saturday Mass is offered for those struggling with illness.

The Syro-Malabar Mass and Catechism Classes will move to the 3rd Sunday of each Month, however, it will now stop for the holidays and recommence in August. Also, **Filipino Mass** starting 1st Sunday of each Month on 1st September.

Diocesan Events:

Episcopal Ordination of Canon Andrew McKenzie, Saturday 10th August, St Andrew's Cathedral. Ticket allocation TBA

Please beware of Scam Emails: please check the email address very carefully. If you have any concerns please phone the parish land number to confirm or send an email to stmaryslochee@dunkelddiocese.org.uk



Baptism Preparation... continues this Sunday 14th July...the start of a life giving process

If you would like to know more about having your child baptised please contact Stella Andrews on andrews24@blueyonder.co.uk or phone 07817160513.

Due to demand the next course has been brought forward and will run for the 4 Sundays of July. Anyone interested in having their child baptised should register their interest with Stella as well as attending Mass.

In baptism the parents and godparents promise to bring their child up in the practice of the faith. For Catholic Christians this means regular attendance at Sunday Mass where we grow in love for God and neighbour. This is a promise to God and therefore should not be undertaken lightly.

Please pray for all those contemplating having their child baptised.

Proposed Pilgrimage to Knock, week before Holy Week, April 2025. The likely cost is around £600 per person sharing, on the basis of 5 nights' DBB in a Hotel, return flights from Edinburgh to Knock and coach travel within Ireland. In addition to religious activities at the Shrine, there will be various excursions included, such as to Galway City, Ballintubber Abbey and the National Famine Memorial at Strokestown House, County Roscommon. If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage and wish to be kept informed of more details, please add your name and email address to the list in the Church porch.

Assisted Suicide Short Survey

The Scottish Parliament Health Committee is asking for your views on proposals to legalise assisted suicide in Scotland. It is vital that as many people as possible complete the short survey, which should take just a few minutes to do, before it closes on 16th August. Full guidance, including a link to the survey, can be accessed by scanning the QR code or by entering the following



address in your web browser:
<https://rcpolitics.org/assisted-suicide-committee-call-for-views/>

Anthony Horan, Director,
Catholic Parliamentary Office

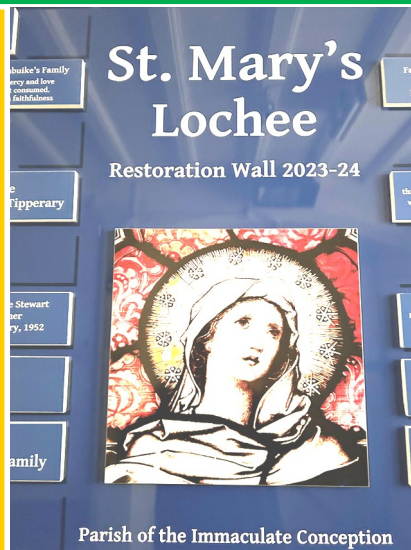
Prayer for Parish Renewal

Father, thank You that You are always doing a new thing.

Give us eyes to see Your infinite goodness at work and to co-operate with You as You renew the church.

Jesus, we thank You for creating paths in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Accompany us on this journey of renewing our own parish.

Holy Spirit, ignite in us a passion for making disciples and help us to bear fruit that will last. Amen



Restoration Bricks still available. Application Forms in foyer.
Brick £50 / Half Brick £25

ST MARY'S KILTWALKERS



The A-Team: Fr Jim, John O'Meara (Property Manager for the Diocese) & Elizabeth Davie (whose family formerly owned Frankie Davie's) are taking part in the **Mighty Stride Kiltwalk from St Andrews to Dundee (20 miles)** to raise funds for St Mary's Restoration. If you would like to sponsor them please either sign the Sponsor Form at the back of the church or donate through justgiving.com/team/stmaryswalkers

The B-Team: The Wee Walkers will take part in the **Wee Wander (4 miles)** to raise funds for Mary's Meals. For more info see Moira Leck or Anne Hampton.

It is important that we remember that we are restoring St Mary's Church buildings so that the Kingdom of God may become present to those in need. This has been at the forefront of every charitable organization and collection associated with St Mary's over it's 158 year history. We exist to give praise to God, and to serve others in love.

Finally, thanks to those parishioners who have donated walking shoes and a kilt...generosity's at the heart of St Mary's.

St. Mary's Lochee Church, History Subgroup

Members of this group are currently in the process of producing:

- an UpToDate factual history of the parish (along the lines of the previous 100 and 125 Anniversary Booklets)
- a visitor leaflet
- Visitor boards displaying the History of the Parish akin to the Roche family boards.
- Collecting Oral Histories of the Parish. Please contact: g.burton11@hotmail.co.uk
- Working on a novel based on St Mary's history.



Thanks to all of those who donate food and toiletries for distribution from the Church House Door.

Please don't be shy to approach a member of **The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul (SVDP)** or Fr

Jim in confidence.

May God bless your generosity and ministry.

Glancing Thoughts—The Cheque is in the Mail

In the Second Reading, Paul says that God has blessed us with every spiritual blessing and chosen us to be holy and without blemish before him.

These are wonderful words, aren't they? I'm not sure I know the names of every spiritual blessing in the heavens, but here are some of them: love, joy, peace, patience, long-suffering. Not only are we blessed with all of these, according to Paul, but there's also being holy and without blemish!

And now could we have a reality check? Is there anyone who supposes he is without blemish? And what about holy? Even to ask the question is to risk laughter, isn't it? And then there's love, joy, peace, patience, and the rest. What would you give for just an hour of these blessings in any day of your life?

So what does Paul mean by saying that God has blessed us with all these good things?

To see the answer, imagine that you are desperately poor, unable to pay the medical bills, worried about the mortgage, afraid the car will give out, anxious about the school costs for the children. And then you get a phone call: you have won the lottery. No, no, the caller says, it's really true! You have won *millions* in the lottery. The state administrators of the lottery are now doing the paperwork, and by the end of next month the check will be in the mail.

Now what? Well, you still can't pay the medical bills this month, and all the other bills are going to be a big problem, too. You are still desperately poor—*this month*. But you will face your poverty very differently once you know you have won the lottery, won't you? The problems are all still exactly the same, except that you know you have won the lottery. Your problems are not going to last. The cheque is in the mail.

This is what Paul is talking about. We are what we are now, but we have won the lottery of life. God's grace works its way slowly in our lives, but his blessings are promised and sure. And so our struggle with our sins and failures is not desperate, but hope-filled.

Hope is itself one of God's spiritual blessings to us.

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Hope Point,

Dundee Wellbeing Support

If you are in distress and feeling like you can't go on, please do reach out.

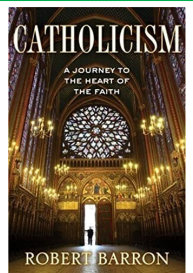
Freephone: 0800 955 0008

Text: 01382 604123

In person: 4 South Ward Road.

'Catholicism' by Bishop Barron will start after the summer holidays—**Sunday 18th August after Mass.**

This course is for anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith. It is ideal for those exploring becoming a Catholic or for anyone wishing to deepen their knowledge of the faith. All are welcome.



Heal my wounds my strength renew

Bestow healing, Lord God, upon me,
your beloved child,
wounded by the pain and fear
inflicted on me by others.

Cast light on the darkness of my heart
and draw near to me to restore what is lost.

Shelter me safely in your love
and make me confident in the knowledge
that I have been powerfully redeemed.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

The National Commission for Marriage, Family and Life will celebrate this day on **Sunday 28th July 2024** at the Marian Shrine, Carfin, with Mass at 3pm, celebrated by Bishop John Keenan.

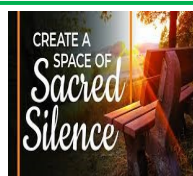
Café will be open for refreshments. Please come along and celebrate this intergenerational event.

SEASON OF CREATION CONFERENCE 2024

The Care of Creation Office of the Bishops' Conference has organised a National Conference for this year's Season of Creation which runs from 1st September – 4th October 2024. The Conference will take place on Saturday 7th September 2024, from 10am – 3pm in St. Margaret's Parish Hall, Raploch, Stirling.

The guest speaker is Ben Wilson, Director of Public Engagement for SCIAF. If interested in attending, please complete a booking form here www.tinyurl.com/46wmt9ah and more details about this free day will follow.

Please keep 5 minutes silence before the start of each Sunday Mass. The bell will ring 5 minutes before Mass to mark the start of silence. This creates a decompression chamber in which we acclimatise to the Sacred and come into God's presence.



Please submit names/items for this newsletter no later than Thursday evening to

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