



# 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."

**11th Aug, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

**First Reading—Kings 19:4-8**

**Strengthened by the food he walked until he reached the mountain of god.**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Taste and see that the Lord is good.**

**Second Reading—Ephesians 4:30-5:2**

**Follow Christ by loving as he loved you.**

**Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, Alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!**

**Gospel—John 6:41-51**

**I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.**

## Sacred Liturgy Schedule

**Vigil Mass at 4.30pm.**

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

**Mon, Tues, Fri, Sat Mass 10am  
(The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—  
Thurs 10am (with School) & 6pm)**

**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: Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 33; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58**

**Our Beloved Dead:** Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Albert Lawson, Derek McGlone, Bobby Gardiner, Jennifer Downie, Seonaid Robertson and Eddie Henderson; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Margaret & Philip Mulholland and Sadie Cunningham. 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: Ivan Garcia Pacheco, Jim Murray, Agnes Milne, Margaret Turner, Susan Ramsay, Billy Higgins, David Duthie, Andrew Lynch, Grieg Taylor, Ann Reilly, George Charles Milne, Jacqui Conroy, Martin, Conroy, Wendy Birnie, Harry Hill, Kathleen McDonald, Pat Trapnell, Veronica Cormack, Agnes Mulligan, Kate, Cuthill and Irene Morrison. (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.

**Funerals:** Funeral service of **Jennifer Downie**, Friday 19th August at 2.15pm;

Funeral Service of **Seonaid Robertson**, Friday 23th August at 12.30pm

**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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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: £1406

**Restoration Fund:** £211

Last week's second collection for the **Bishops' Mensal Fund: £278**

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, Ann Gunning (46). 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:**

**Months Mind Mass - Deacon Charles Hendry:** This Wednesday 14th August at 7pm (the Vigil of the Assumption) in Ss Peter and Paul's (Byron Street); All welcome. May this good and faithful servant be resting in peace.

**Holy Day of Obligation** - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary -  
Thursday 15th August Masses: 10am (with school) & 6pm.

**BIG SUMMER RAFFLE—Will be drawn on Sunday 18th August, for tickets contact 07552920740**

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

**Pre-loved Goods Fashion Show—Friday 30th August at 7pm.** Tickets on sale at the back of church or telephone 07552920740.

**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



### **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** —Resumes Monday 12th August

### **Monthly:**

**Dunkeld Serra Mass:** This coming Tuesday, 13th August; Holy Hour at 6pm, followed by Holy Mass 7pm and proceeded by refreshments & talk from Mgr Aldo Angelosanto, who will give a short talk afterwards on Synodality. Please keep praying for priests, deacons, and religious.

**Taizé Holy Hour:** Next Taizé Prayer in St Mary's will be Thursday, 29th August @ 6.30pm.

**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.

**HOPE POINT, DUNDEE WELLBEING SUPPORT—WE ARE HERE ALL WEEKEND; NO MATTER WHAT TIME OF DAY OR NIGHT.**

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

Freephone: 0800 955 0008; Text: 01382 604123; In Person: 4 South Ward Road.

**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.....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.

Anyone interested in having their child baptized 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.



### ST MARY'S KILTWALKERS

**The A-Team:** Fr Jim, John O'Meara (Property Manager for the Diocese) & Elizabeth Davie (whose family formerly owned 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 sign the Sponsor Form at the back of the church, scan the QR code, or go to [justgiving.com/team/stmaryswalkers](https://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. To donate scan QR code to the right.



**Parish Pilgrimage to Knock April 2025.** Many thanks to all who have added their names to the list for the proposed pilgrimage to Knock in April next year. I'm delighted that we have 25 names already for the 25 places available, however, if anyone is interested but hasn't yet added their name to the list, I would encourage you to do so as soon as possible and we will keep a reserve list which will be used should anyone of the 25 decide not to proceed. We are awaiting confirmation of the flight schedule and prices from Ryanair and as soon as these are available an email will be sent to everyone on the list with full details of the pilgrimage and inviting people to pay a deposit to secure their places. Thanks. Jim Murphie

### 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



### BIG SUMMER RAFFLE

**£5 per ticket. Prizes include:**

**1st Prize** - Hibernian v Dundee Hospitality for 4 @ Easter Road, Saturday 24th August 2024;

**2nd Prize** - 4 Ball from Fife Trust, Selection of Courses;

**3rd Prize** - Carrera Mountain Bike 27.6/2's Gents & Ladies Model.

Tickets on sale at the back of church or telephone 07552920740.

### LOOKING FOR RESOURCES FOR NEW P1'S

If anyone is having a wee clear out and has any of these items they 'd like to give away.

Soft Furnishings (bean bag chair/cushions etc), Dolls, Teddies, Dressing up costumes, Cars, Dinosaurs, Small World, Building Blocks.

Please contact the school on 01382 436707 for enquires and /or giving donations. Thanks.

Each year several parishes in the Diocese are selected to have their accounts audited by an external auditor. This year St Mary's, Lochee, has been selected. Please keep all those involved in your prayers. The audit will take place on 22nd August.

### A prayer for our new Bishop Andrew McKenzie

God, eternal shepherd, you tend your Church in many ways and rule us with love.

You have chosen your servant, Andrew, to be shepherd of your flock in the Diocese of Dunkeld.

Give him a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love.

By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he build your Church as a sign of salvation for the world.



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.



The Parish's thanks to Fr Kevin Rennie who has updated the sound system in St Mary's. This should keep us going into the foreseeable future. Next week we are also having a new sound system installed in the hall. This system has been bought from St Joseph's and is flexible enough to be used in the upper and lower halls.

## Glancing Thoughts—Grieving God

In the Second Reading, Paul warns people not to grieve the Holy Spirit of God. It is a sad thing to grieve your mother or your best friend. It is really dreadful to grieve God himself. How does a person manage to do such a lamentable thing?

You grieve God when you engage in malice, Paul says.

Malice is the opposite of love. To love someone is to want the good for them and to want to be united with them, too. So you can be malicious by refusing either of these desires of love. If you want what is bad for another person, or if you utterly reject another person, you are malicious with regard to them.

So you don't have to engage in murder or theft or adultery to grieve God. As the Second Reading implies, you can grieve God just by reviling another person. You revile a person when you say bad things about him, to his face or behind his back, just for the sake of putting him down. When you do this, you take a kind of perverse pleasure in his badness. That is why reviling is malicious. It is the opposite of love's desire for the good of the other.

Bitterness is on Paul's list of ways to grieve God, too.

A bitter drink is one that has no sweetness in it; it just sets the drinker's teeth on edge. Your heart and mind are bitter if you are focused largely on the bad in things, and that bad-tempered focus of yours sets everybody else on edge as they try to tiptoe around you. You can't want the good for others if all you can see is the bad in them. And you can't want to be united with them either if your bitterness blocks joy in you.

If you revile others, if you are bitter, then you are malicious; and when you are malicious, you are opposed to love. But God is love, and it isn't possible for there to be union between God and what is opposed to God.

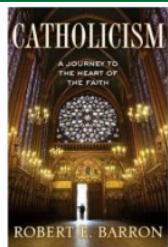
Your malice grieves God because he has lost you when you are malicious; and, for God, your loss is worth grieving.

It's a sobering thought to be so loved, isn't it?

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### The Catholicism Course begins on.... Sunday 18th August in the Upper Hall.

This course is ideal for anyone thinking of joining the catholic Church or for anyone interested in deepening their knowledge of the faith.



18/8/24—Episode 9, Prayer and the Life of the Spirit

25/08/24—Episode 6, The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church

01/09/24—Episode 7, The Mystery of the Liturgy

08/09/24—Episode 8, The Communion of Saints

15/09/24—Episode 3, The Mystery of God

22/09/24—Episode 10, The Last Things

**SHARE** is an [NHS Research Scotland](#) initiative, supported by the Universities and Health Boards in Scotland, and Scotland's Chief Scientist Office.

They are appealing for Volunteers to register with them to assist and support health research.

For more information or to register please visit their website: [www.registerforshare.org](http://www.registerforshare.org) or scan the QR code. Alternatively visit their [YouTube channel](#) if interested in helping.



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



**SPUC's Petition**—SPUC are calling on the British Government to end the two-child benefit cap. Please use the link noted if you would like to sign and support. <https://www.spuc.org.uk/end-benefit-cap>

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> September – 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024. The Conference will take place on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.tinyurl.com/46wmt9ah) and more details about this free day will follow.

### St. Mary's Lochee Restoration

Last Friday the History Sub-Group, the Core Group, and the Steering Group met.

These 3 groups are working to bring about the physical restoration of St Mary's Lochee. Monday 12th August is the deadline for tenders to be submitted for Phase 1 (the exterior of the Church). After one has been selected a start date for the work will be forthcoming. Maria Ogden (Grant Consultant) and John O'Meara (Diocesan Property Manager) have started applying for grants for Phase 2 (the hall). Subsequently Phase 3 (Church Interior) and Phase 4 (Church House) will be forwarded.

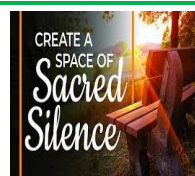
### Prayer for Parish Renewal

**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**

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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