



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."

6th Oct, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading—Genesis 2:18-24

They become one body.

Responsorial Psalm

May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

Second Reading—Hebrews 2:9-11

The one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are the same stock.

Gospel Acclamation—Alleluia, Alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel—Mark 10:2-16

What God has united, man must not divide.

Sacred Liturgy Schedule

Vigil Mass at 4.30pm.

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

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Sat Mass 10am; Fri 11am Mass

Wed 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: Wisdom 7:7-11; Psalm 89; Hebrews 4:12-13; Mark 10:17-30

Our Beloved Dead: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Bonifacia Villera, Patrick Tayac and Jean Wright; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mary Noonan, Peter Bryan, Anthony MacAndrew, Anne Low, William Reid, Kathleen Gowans, Bill Smith, Thomas Ravey and Margaret Young. 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: George Charles Milne, Margaret Turner, Susan Ramsay, Billy Higgins, Andrew Lynch, Jim Murray, Grieg Taylor, Sister Mary Timmons, Jean Ferguson, Bobby Gardiner, Martin Conroy, Jacqueline Conroy, Kathleen McDonald, Pat Trapnell, Agnes Milne, Veronica Cornock, Agnes Mulligan and Kate Cuthill (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: Valerie Brown, 10am Funeral Mass, Monday 7th October.

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: £1402
Brick, 100 Club and Mini Fete sales).

Restoration Fund: £603 (includes donations at door, Buy a

There will be a second collection on the 29th Sunday (20th October) for **Mission Sunday**.

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, Maureen Banks (61). The 100 club total raised so far for the Restoration Fund is £3015.

Mini Fete—The September mini-sales after the mass on Sat & Sun raised £236.50. The next mini sale will be on the 20th October. Our **Christmas Fayre** will be held on **Sat 2nd Nov from 11am –4pm**. The proceeds of which will go to the Restoration Fund in Sept/October and SCIAF during Nov/Dec.

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:

An Evening of Story & Song on Dundee's Jute Industry, introduced by John Quinn, Verdant Works Visitor Guide - Friday 18th October @ 7pm. Tickets £5 and BYOB. To book tickets please call 07552920740. Further details of the programme for the evening are included in the bulletin.

Staffin Island Ceilidh band - St Andrew's Night—30th November.

Regular Events—Weekly:

The Parish Leadership Team —meets every Monday during term time to help me make good decisions. It's members are Jim Murphie (Trainee Deacon), Marian Milne (Sacristan), Moira Leck (Schools Liaison), & Anne Hampton (Finance).

Novena to St Anthony of Padua - every Tuesday after Mass—concludes with blessing with relic.

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.

Monthly:

St Peregrine's Mass (1st Saturday of the Month at 10am). We now have a relics of St Peregrine, St Anthony of Padua and St Martin de Porres. If anybody wishes a blessing please just ask. Thanks to Sid Grant (SVDP Diocesan President) for acquiring a suitable cabinet, and to George Creegan for adapting. Each Saturday Mass is offered for the sick.

Filipino Mass (1st Sunday of the Month at 1pm) Next, Sunday 6th October.

Dunkeld Serra Mass: (2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm). Please keep praying for priests, deacons, and religious.

Syro-Malabar Catechism Classes & Mass (3rd Sunday of the Month at 3.15pm) Next, Sunday 20th October

Taizé Holy Hour: (4th Thursday of the month at 6.30pm) Next, Taizé Prayer, Thursday, 25th October

Diocesan Events:

Cathedral Dinner—for those aged 18-30 will take place on **Sunday 13th October**, in the Cathedral Hall just after the 6 pm Mass. If you would like to come, please sign up to help us prepare enough food! Sign up online here: tinyurl.com/dundeedinner

Dunkeld Diocese Mission Event: Saturday 19th October, St Mary's Forebank, Dundee, 9.30am – 3.30pm. This year we have the same theme "PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS" which will be led by Aid to the Church in Need. We are in their hands. All are warmly invited and encouraged to attend this event.

St Mary's Pilgrimage to Knock, week before Holy Week, April 2025. The likely cost is around £600 per person sharing. If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage and wish to be kept informed please contact Jim Murphie on james.murphie@virginmedia.com

Please submit names/items for this newsletter no later than Thursday evening to stmaryslochee@dunkelddiocese.org.uk



Baptism Preparation.....the start of a life giving process...starts this Sunday October 6th and will continue for the following 3 weeks of October.

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

Please pray for all those contemplating having their child baptised.

The Synod on Synodality resumed this month in Rome to continue its process of listening. In the words of Pope Francis: 'It's a mutual listening in which everyone has something to learn—the lay faithful, the bishops, the pope: all listening to each other, and all listening to the Holy Spirit, the "Spirit of truth" (Jn 14:17) in order to know what He is saying to the Church.' For more info on Synodality this short video is excellent. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I5lAktuejwo>



The next The Alpha course starts Sunday 27th October after Mass in the Upper Church Hall.

Alpha has a proven track record of helping people experience God in a very personal way.

It is an ideal place for those who are searching for meaning in their lives.

It is also a great way for those of us who profess faith to come alive in that faith and to live it in an even more profound manner.

In essence Alpha helps evangelise. It helps create a longing to know Jesus more intimately and to help others come into a life giving relationship with Jesus through the Holy Spirit.

Please come along and bring your friends. As we've heard from numerous testimonies over the year you won't be sorry.

Please come along and help with the church cleaning every fortnight after Friday Mass. **The next cleaning is Friday 18th October.** Thanks to those who look after the exterior of St Mary's church by picking up the litter and removing weeds.



Easyfundraising—St Mary's Lochee Restoration Fund

Thanks for the continuing support to the Restoration Fund through shopping using the Easyfundraising page.

It's Amazon's Prime Big Deals Days 8th - 9th October! You can get great deals and raise free donations for St Mary's Lochee Restoration Fund when you start your Amazon shop at #easyfundraising! It only takes a moment to join and it's completely free, so please sign up today: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/st-marys-lochee-restoration-fund/7a4r01/c2s/oQ2slYHh/CE967/facebook/>

Stories and Songs of Juteopolis

An evening of stories and songs from the days of Dundee's Jute Mills.

Come and hear the fascinating history of the jute industry in Dundee from the early days to its eventual decline.

Written and performed by John Quinn (Visitor Guide at Verdant Works) and friends in aid of St Mary's Restoration Fund.

Friday October 18th at 7pm in St Mary's Lochee, Upper Church Hall.

Tickets £5 (BYOB) from Church Foyer, or calling 07552920740

Pope Francis has called for a day of prayer and fasting on October 7, the one-year anniversary of the outbreak of the Israel-Hamas war.

"In this dramatic hour of our history," the Pope said, "while the winds of war and the fires of violence continue to devastate entire peoples and nations," the Christian community is reminded of its call to "put itself at the service of humanity."

In order to respond to the Pope's call there will be a **Solemn Rosary for Peace during a Holy Hour starting 7pm this Monday in St Mary's, Lochee.**

Please come along and allow The Peace of Christ to permeate your heart and the heart of the world.

Please hold Irene Delaney and Jim Murphie (trainee deacon) in your prayers as they prepare to get married in a Nuptial Mass next Saturday in Kinnoull Monastery. Jim and Irene are active members of St Mary's who host the monthly Taize evening, are part of the music ministry, as well as leading the Alpha Course. May the Holy Spirit, God's Love, bind them together in Holy Matrimony.

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.

The Parish's thanks to Fr Tony Lappin for his inspiring talk on becoming Missionary Disciples and a Missionary Parish.

Thanks also to the Presenters and Facilitators who helped host the Parish Gathering, but most of all thanks to the Holy Spirit for encouraging us to, 'Go, therefore and make disciples...'

The question pondered at the Parish Gathering was 'How does the Holy Spirit work in my life?' Next, we want to move onto 'How is the Holy Spirit inspiring us to become Missionary Disciples in a Missionary Parish boldly fulfilling Jesus' command to, 'Go therefore and make disciples...' Please ask the Holy Spirit this question...we'll come back to it soon...

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.

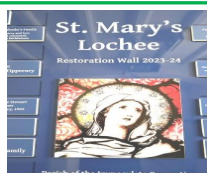
Jesus, we thank You for creating paths in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Accompany us on this journey of renewing our own parish.

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

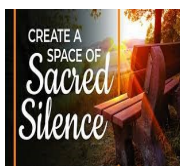


Thanks to all of those who donate food and toiletries for distribution from the Church House Door. Please don't be shy to approach a member of **The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul (SVDVP)** or Fr Jim in confidence. May God bless your generosity and ministry.

Restoration Bricks still available. Application Forms in the foyer.



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.



SPUC silent vigil

Abortion figures in Scotland have risen by 10% in the last year. Our city has had the highest abortion rate in Scotland for the past three years and has the highest rate for girls under 20. SPUC Dundee branch will commemorate the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act with a silent candle-light vigil in the City Square on **Thursday 24th October at 6pm until 7.30pm**. This will be followed by Mass for pro-life intentions in the Cathedral. Please join us for part, or all, of this event.

A LOAF A WEEK?

Can you donate one loaf of bread per week in order that the Parish can support the staff provide every child, of St Mary's, with a piece of toast before lessons start?

Lookout for the bread basket the **weekend of 12th/13th Oct** and drop your loaf of bread into the basket at the back of the Church.

One of the ladies (Margaret Malcolm) who fills the bags of food for the Church door is being accepted into the Lay Dominican Noviciate this coming Tuesday during Mass in St Albert the Great Church, Edinburgh. Please hold Margaret in your prayers. The most famous Lay Dominican was St Catherine of Siena: a mystic and Doctor of the Church.

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>