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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

12th JULY 2015
Fifteenth Sunday of the Year B

Sunday Mass Readings

1st Reading: Amos 7: 12-15

Psalm: 84: 9-14

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1: 3-14

Gospel: Mark 6: 7-13

Date	Details	Service	Time
Sunday 12 July	Fifteenth Sunday of the Year B Sea Sunday (2nd Collection: Apostleship of the Sea)	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Lady Chapel) Mass	09.00 09.30
Wednesday 15 July	Memorial of St Bonaventure	Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	11.00 11.30
Thursday 16 July	Thursday of Week 15 in Ordinary Time	Mass	19.30
Sunday 19 July	Sixteenth Sunday of the Year B (2nd Collection: Building Fund)	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Lady Chapel) Mass	09.00 09.30

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available every Sunday before Mass, and at any other time upon request.

KEY QUOTATIONS FROM *LAUDATO SI'* – PART 2

This week, we continue with the most important ideas contained in the new Encyclical Letter of Pope Francis, entitled *Laudato Si'* ("Praised Be To You"). Have you read it yet? You can find it free online, at the Vatican website:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/dam/francesco/pdf/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si_en.pdf

On consumerism

Less is more." A constant flood of new consumer goods can baffle the heart and prevent us from cherishing each thing and each moment.

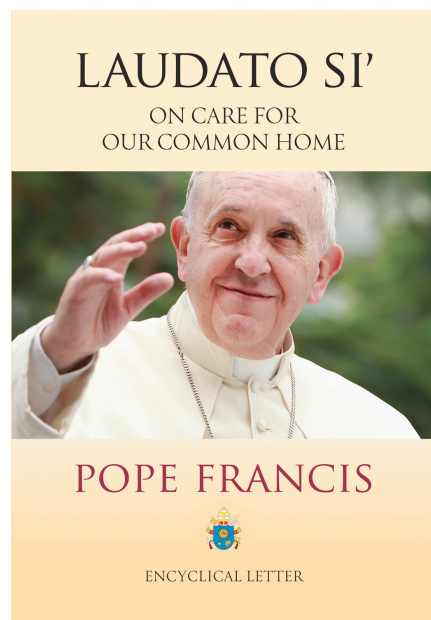
Obsession with a consumerist lifestyle, above all when few people are capable of maintaining it, can only lead to violence and mutual destruction.

On abortion

Since everything is interrelated, concern for the protection of nature is also incompatible with the justification of abortion. How can we genuinely teach the importance of concern for other vulnerable beings, however troublesome or inconvenient they may be, if we fail to protect a human embryo, even when its presence is uncomfortable and creates difficulties? "If personal and social sensitivity towards the acceptance of the new life is lost, then other forms of acceptance that are valuable for society also wither away".

On embryo experimentation

It is troubling that, when some ecological movements defend the integrity of the environment, rightly demanding that certain limits be imposed on scientific research, they sometimes fail to apply those same principles to human life. There is a tendency to justify transgressing all boundaries when experimentation is carried out on living human embryos. We forget that the inalienable worth of a human being transcends his or her degree of development."



GENERAL NEWS

Today is Sea Sunday – today we have the opportunity to remember and pray for seafarers, their families, and for all who support them. On Sea Sunday, Catholic Churches around the UK take up a second collection, with all funds raised going to the Apostleship of the Sea to support our work. It is a day of remembrance, prayer, and celebration, and an opportunity to think about and thank those seafarers who work tirelessly throughout the year, bringing us goods we often take for granted.

"The Martyrdom of St John Ogilvie" play - a minibus will be leaving the car park at St Columba's, Culloden, on **Saturday 18 July, at 5.30pm**, to travel to Keith. We have several seats still available on the minibus, on a first-come, first-served basis. The cost of each seat is £10, plus £10 for the ticket. Come and join us for what is sure to be an enjoyable evening: a night out in good company, with a two-hour play to enjoy, plus refreshments! To reserve your seat and ticket, please sign up on the sheets in the foyer or meeting room, or speak to Fr Domenico.

Members of Society of St. Vincent De Paul are organising an outing for Senior Citizens on **Thursday 16 July** to Ullapool leaving King Street at 11.00am. Those who are interested are invited to put their names on the sheet available **at the back of St Mary's**.

Cologne Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra will offer an concert of classical music in St Mary's, Inverness, on **Wednesday 29 July at 7.30pm**. The programme includes music by **Vivaldi, Mozart, and Tchaikovsky**. Tickets available from Inverness Tourist Information Centre (Tel. 01463 252401). Ticket prices: £15 Adults; £13 Seniors; £11 Student/Child. Tickets are also available at the door.

Highland Deanery Pilgrimage, Saturday 22 August. The St Duthac Collegiate Church, Tain: Mass 1200 noon with Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB - further details to follow.

Special Clachan Comar Mass of St Bean, Sat 29 August. A special Mass will be celebrated for those who are interred at Clachan Comar, nr Tomich, Marydale/Cannich, at 3.00 pm, on Sat 29 August - please put this in your diary!

PARISH NEWS

Our New Website: Have you visited it yet? Please feel free to e-mail your comments and suggestions for improvement, using the 'contact us' page from the main website menu. You can find us at: www.stcolumbasculloden.org.

Altar Servers: Calling all young people – your Parish needs you! Last week Iobe joined me on the sanctuary, serving Mass for the very first time! Would you like to join him? As long as you have made your First Holy Communion, you can serve! Full training provided. Please see Fr Domenico.

'90' Club: our next draw takes place on 26th July. Would you like to take part in our fundraiser? £2.00 monthly; three nice prizes to be won. Ask Don about how to get involved.

Hospital/Home Visits: if you know of anyone who is sick or housebound, and who would like to receive the Sacraments, or just a visit, please speak to Fr Domenico.

St Columba's Prize Bingo is having a 'rest', but non-perishable items to be given as prizes will be gratefully accepted. Thank you!

Cleaning Team – Wednesday 15th July at 4.30pm; Gi Gi and Shona.

Calling all Green Fingers: our garden shrubberies are in desperate need of TLC! Don will be at the church grounds on Tuesday evening at 7pm with his fork and trowel for just an hour. Will you come and help get some weeds out?

FINANCES

St Columba's no. 1	£ 373.65
St Columba's building fund:	£ 163.62

– Thank you for your generosity and support –

St Columba's Accounts

General Running Account:

Sort Code: 80-91-26

Account No: 00809358

Building Account:

Sort Code: 80-91-26

Account No. 00809390

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Bob and Anna Black + Peggy Horne + Leslie Murray + Mary Gribben + Claire Macpherson + Michelle Campbell

Anniversaries: + Peggy Mitchell + Alexander MacKinnon

GROUPS AND DEVOTIONS

The Secular Franciscan Order meets at 2.00 pm on the second Saturday of each month at St Columba's, Culloden. Contact Helen MacGilp (01463 792149). Visit www.ofsgb.org.uk.

Prayer and Praise Group every Thursday at St Columba's after 7.30pm Mass in the Lady Chapel. Call Brian (01463 790255) for details.

Inverness Catenian Circle meet on the Second Monday of the month at 7.30 pm. Meeting followed by dinner in the Craigmonie Hotel, Annfield Road, Inverness. Contact Donald (07780 603045.) Visit www.thecatenians.co.uk.

The Knights of St Columba meets on the first Monday of every month in the Marian Room at St. Mary's, at 7.30 pm: contact Neil Munro (01463 232095). Dedicated to the principles of charity, unity & fraternity in the local parishes. Visit www.ksc.org.uk.

The Parents & Toddlers Group meets on Wednesdays from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm in the Marian Room beside St Mary's.

The Cenacolo Prayer Group meets every Monday after the 6:00 pm Mass in St. Mary's. All welcome.

St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) meets every fortnight, on Sundays, in the Marian Room at St Mary's, at 10.00 am. Requests for assistance and support can be made by contacting any SVP member or by dropping a note in a SVP collection box. Visit www.svp.org.uk.