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# ~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

# 14 OCTOBER 2018: TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

# **Mass Readings**

1st Reading: Wisdom 7: 7-11 Psalm: Ps 89 (90): 12-17 2nd Reading: Hebrews 4: 12-13

Gospel: Mark 10: 17-30

Date	Details	Service	Time
Sunday 14 October	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Second Collection: Sick and Retired Priests	Sacrament of Confession Mass	9.00 am 9.30 am
Tuesday 16 October	St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin Mass Intention: Dolly McKinnon R.I.P. (recently deceased)	Sacrament of Confession Evening Prayer Mass	6.30 pm 7.00 pm 7.30 pm
Wednesday 17 October	St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr Mass Intention: Morag MacIntyre (health and intentions)	Sacrament of Confession Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.30 am 11.00 am 11.30 am
Thursday 18 October	FEAST OF ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST Mass Intention: Margaret MacPhee R.I.P. (anniversary)	Sacrament of Confession Mass	7.00 pm 7.30 pm
Saturday 20 October	"The Holy Mass: Gift of Christ" ~ see the poster on the noticeboard for details ~	A Saturday Workshop at St. Columba's	11.00 am onwards
Sunday 21 October	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Second Collection: Building Fund	Sacrament of Confession Mass	9.00 am 9.30 am

Today's Canonisation of Pope Paul VI and Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador

The new saints Paul VI and Oscar Romero were two pastors completely dedicated to the service of the Church and the world they lived in, untiring promoters of unity and fraternity. The canonisations today are a joyful invitation to beg our Lord to grant, preserve and increase these essential gifts in everyone.

Pope Paul VI constantly strove to foster communion in the Church and unity among all Christians, always basing the desire for spiritual renewal on a complete fidelity to the Gospel. His service to several Pontiffs, prior to his later mission as successor to Peter, is a luminous example of how to seek harmony with the Pope, with the other shepherds and with all the faithful in the Church. Making use of the "Prayer for Faith" that this holy Pontiff composed in 1968, we can ask God "to open still more our spirit and our heart to the specific demands of love for all our brothers and sisters, so that we may be ever more effective builders of peace."

The new saint Oscar Romero often meditated on Christ's prayer for unity: "that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you." He called

this "the true unity" and used to say: "disunion in the Church is sad, my brothers, it is the anti-sign of Christ" (homily, April 30, 1978). He saw the urgent need for communion in the Church: of Catholics among themselves and of everyone with the Holy Father. We also especially ask him, who had such great love for his people, to intercede for unity and respect among all Salvadorans and for an end to the scourge of violence.

Pope Francis also canonised the priests Francesco Spinelli and Vicenzo Romano, the women religious Maria Katharina Kasper and María Ignacia de Santa Teresa, and the young layman Nunzio Sulprizio. Now that the Church is reflecting on the faith and the vocational discernment of young people, let us go to the intercession of the new saints to ask God to grant young people expanded horizons, and that the message of Jesus may continue to reach many young men and women who will decide to follow Him generously on the various paths that exist in the Church.

(Monsignor Fernando Ocáriz)

#### **PARISH NEWS**

**Today's Second Collection: Sick and Retired Priests** – this collection reminds us of the commitment and devotion of the priests of this Diocese, who have spent their working lives serving the People of God. Sadly, there is very little provision made for our sick and retired priests, and this collection offers them a small contribution, as a gesture of gratitude for their years of selfless service.

'THE HOLY MASS: GIFT OF CHRIST' – A half-day workshop at St. Columba's, on Saturday 20 October, from 11.00am onwards. The workshop will include:

11.00-11.50am: History & Development of the Mass

12.00-12.45pm: Q&A ('The Mass as Heaven on Earth')

12.45-2.00pm: 'Pot-Luck Lunch' (bring & share!) 2.00-2.50pm: A Biblical 'Walk' Through the Mass

3.00-3.30pm: Q&A ('The liturgy, and how to deal with distractions')

3.30pm-4.30pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; Eucharistic Adoration; Rosary; Sacrament of Confession; Benediction.

This is your opportunity to learn everything about the Mass that you ever wanted to know, but never had the opportunity to ask! All welcome: from post-Confirmation candidates, and teenagers, to the 'young at heart'! Please spread the word!

Safeguarding Training Update - Saturday 3rd November 10.30-12noon in Marian Room, St. Mary's, Inverness: This update session is for anyone working in the Deanery with children, young people and vulnerable adults who has not attended training in the last 12 months. Participants will have the opportunity to be updated on safeguarding procedures and Code of Conduct as well as learn about the new safeguarding document of the Catholic Church in Scotland 'In God's Image'. Please text Stephen Dunphy to book your place on 07570099268 or phone for more information.

FAITH IN FILM EVENING: 'PARKLAND' – Wednesday 21 November at 7.00pm. On the eve of the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, we will screen 'Parkland', a film that weaves together the perspectives of a handful of ordinary individuals, suddenly thrust into extraordinary circumstances. The young doctors and nurses at Parkland Hospital, the Dallas Chief of the Secret Service;

the unwitting cameraman who captured what became the most watched and examined film in history; the FBI agents who nearly had the gunman within their grasp; the brother of Lee Harvey Oswald, left to deal with his shattered family; and JFK's security team, witnesses to both the President's death and Vice-President Lyndon Johnson's rise to power over a nation whose innocence was forever altered. Certificate: 15; duration 95 minutes.

APPEAL: Your donations help to provide three days of emergency food and support to local people in crisis. We would be grateful for the following items: \* Breakfast Cereal \* Tins of Tomatoes \* Tins of Corned Beef \* Jars of Instant Coffee \* Cartons of Long Life Juice \* Toothpaste/Toothbrushes. Please leave them in the plastic box at the front door of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

Cleaning Team: Monday 15th October at 4pm – Shona, JiJy and Don. Can you help us? Helping just one hour a month would lighten the load of others who do assist to keep the church nice and clean). Monday 8th October at 12 noon – Margaret and Don. Would you like to help clean the church? It only takes up one hour a month! See Don for details.

**"90 Club": next draw Sunday 28th October.** You still have time to obtain a number in the draw; please ask Don.

NEXT PRIZE BINGO: FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER – 'EYES DOWN' AT 7.00PM! – We are VERY SHORT of non-perishable items for prizes (toiletries, gift sets, store vouchers, wine, spirits, chocolates, boxes of biscuits, etc.). Can you help us? A sincere 'thank you' for all of the items that have been handed in; these are very important to us, and are much appreciated. Your support is instrumental in making the Bingo such a success for the parish!

# FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: + Anna Black + Audrey O'Connell + John Drew + Morag MacIntyre + Angus Johnson + Johnny Gallagher + Denise Maclean + Ellen Williams + Eva Zanre + Richard Karasek +

**Anniversaries:** + John Campbell + Maureen Kelly + Frankie Bills + Eva Giubarelli +