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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

26 JUNE 2022:
13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Year C (II); Psalter: Week 1)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19: 16, 19-21
 Resp. Psalm: 15 (16): 1-2, 5, 7-11
 2nd Reading: Galatians 5: 1, 13-18
 Gospel: Luke 9: 51-62

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Sunday 26 June	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (p. 1013 – Year C) Retiring Collection: Peter's Pence	Holy Mass	9.30 am ONLY
Monday 27 June	St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor (Fr. Domenico: Anniversary of Ordination)	No Liturgies Today	---
Tuesday 28 June	St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Doctor, Martyr	No Liturgies Today	---
Wednesday 29 June	Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles Holy Day of Obligation	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
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Thursday 30 June	The First Martyrs of Rome Mass Intention: Andrew 'Bunny' Mitchell, RIP (Anniversary on 28 June)	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Friday 1 July	Friday of Week 13 in Ordinary Time	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Saturday 2 July	Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Sunday 3 July	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (p. 1017 – Year C)	Holy Mass Annual Mass at Scalan Seminary	9.30 am ONLY 4.00 pm

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Taking the Call

In this week's First Reading, Elijah's disciple is allowed to kiss his parents goodbye before setting out to follow the prophet's call. But we are called to follow a "greater than Elijah", this week's Liturgy wants us to know.

In Baptism, we have put on the cloak of Christ, been called to the house of a new Father, and been given a new family in the kingdom of God. We have been called to leave behind our past lives and never look back—to follow wherever He leads. Elijah was taken up in a whirlwind and his disciple was given a double portion of his spirit (see 2 Kings 2:9–15).

Jesus too, the Gospel reminds us, was "taken up" (see Acts 1:2, 11, 22), and He gave us His Spirit to live by, to guide us in our journey in His kingdom.

As this week's Second Reading tells us, the call of Jesus shatters the yoke of every servitude, sets us free from the

rituals of the old Law, and shows us the Law's fulfilment in the following of Jesus, in serving one another through love.

His call sets our hands to a new plough, a new task—to be His messengers, sent ahead to prepare all peoples to meet Him and enter into His Kingdom.

Elijah called down fire to consume those who wouldn't accept God (see 2 Kings 1:1–16). But we have a different Spirit with us. To live by His Spirit is to face opposition and rejection, as the Apostles do in this week's Gospel. It is to feel like an exile, with no lasting city (see Hebrews 13:14), no place in this world to lay our head or call home.

But we hear the voice of the One we follow in this week's Psalm (see Acts 2:25–32; 13:35–37). He calls us to make His faith our own—to abide in confidence that He will not abandon us, that He will show us "the path to life," leading us to the fullness of joy in His presence forever. (Scott Hahn)

GENERAL NEWS

TODAY: ANNUAL PLUSCARDEN PILGRIMAGE WITH MASS, AND FAMILY DAY – Refreshments available from 12 noon; family picnics welcome; Eucharistic Adoration / Confession from 1.00pm; Mass at 3.00pm; with Marian procession.

SUNDAY 3 JULY: ANNUAL MASS AT SCALAN SEMINARY – this annual event at Scalan, near Tomintoul in the Braes of Glenlivet, takes place **next Sunday at 4.00 p.m.** Those driving from Inverness area are best to drive to Grantown on Spey, and then take the A939 road to Tomintoul. Scalan is a short distance from there. It is always a great gathering of pilgrims from across Scotland, and especially from the Aberdeen Diocese. All welcome.

PARISH NEWS

TODAY'S LITURGY (CTS New Sunday Missal): 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C (pp. 1013 ff.)

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 1013: Readings & Proper Prayers

p. 541: The Creed

p. 567: Preface II of Sundays in Ordinary Time

p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II

p. 631: Communion Rite

TODAY'S RETIRING COLLECTION: PETER'S PENCE – this Special Collection is for the Charitable works and institutions supported by the Holy See in Rome. “Peter's Pence’ is the most characteristic expression of the participation of all the faithful in the Bishop of Rome's charitable initiatives in favour of the universal Church. The gesture has not only a practical value, but also a strong symbolic one, as a sign of communion with the Pope and attention to the needs of one's brothers and sisters.” (Benedict XVI)

TODAY: RETURN TO ONE MASS – From **TODAY onwards, we will return to ONE Sunday Mass, at our ‘usual’ time of 9.30am.** This is done out of necessity; as you know, Father Domenico has been appointed Parish Priest of St. Mary's Nairn, in addition to his present pastoral duties, and will thus be unable to offer a second Sunday Mass. Apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause. Thank you for your understanding and prayers, and for your continuing support of your parish.

TODAY: THE RETURN OF TEAS/COFFEES! – From today, we will once again offer the opportunity to catch up with other parishioners after our 9.30am Mass, over a cuppa and a ‘fine piece’. The Meeting Room will be available, and if it is decent weather, we will open up the patio doors, and have al fresco socialising! We will need folk to assist with preparing tea and coffee; If you are able to help us with a rota, please do let us know!

TODAY: TODDLER GET-TOGETHER – has been organised for today, **Sunday 26th June, at 12 noon, at The Playful Garden, Brodie Castle.** Anyone who attended the toddler group pre-pandemic, or any new faces wanting to have an outing, are very welcome to come along. If you would like to join in, please contact Mairead on 07528682161, to give us an idea of numbers attending, and the ages of the children. Any adults with National Trust membership can get in free, and children under the age of free are automatically free. We plan on having a picnic lunch, but there is also an outdoor cafe on the site. Also, in the two years that have passed since the pandemic all the children are now school age and no longer attending toddler groups. Would there be any interest from parents of younger children in taking on the toddler group? Please inform Mairead. Thank you!

THURSDAY 30 JUNE: FUNERAL MASS OF CHRISTINE CLIFFORD, RIP – Christine's Funeral Mass will take place at St. Mary's, in Huntly Street, Inverness, on Thursday 30 June, at 10.00am. All welcome. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

90 CLUB –DRAW TODAY (26 JUNE): You too could be a winner! Only £2 monthly, with three prizes to be won!

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Ian Macdonald, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Chris Hamilton, Rina Herbison, David Munro, Ellen Williams, Rose Corbett, Winnie Ferrari, Colin MacMillan, Angus Cumming, Godfrey Herman, Eileen Anne Millar, Cian Alfie Smith, Deacon John McEwen

RIP: Christine Clifford

Anniversaries: Angela Prendergast, John Sloan