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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

30 JANUARY 2022:
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Year C (II); Psalter: Week 4)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19
 Resp. Psalm: Psalm 70 (71):1-6, 15, 17
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31 – 13:13
 Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Sunday 30 January	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (p. 979 – Year C)	Live-Streamed Holy Mass Holy Mass	9.30 am 11.00 am
Monday 31 January	St. John Bosco, Priest Mass Intention: Eva Zanrè, RIP (Third Anniversary Today)	Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Tuesday 1 February	Tuesday of Week 4 in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Flora MacDonald, RIP (Recently Departed)	Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Wednesday 2 February	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Reception of Katie Mary Fraser RIP	Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass Reception in the Church	8.45 am 9.30 am 5.00 pm
Thursday 3 February	Funeral Mass of Katie Mary Fraser RIP St. Blaise, Bishop, Martyr	Funeral Mass Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	9.30 am 6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Friday 4 February	Friday of Week 4 in Ordinary Time	Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Saturday 5 February	St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr	Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Sunday 6 February	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (p. 983 – Year C)	Live-Streamed Holy Mass Holy Mass	9.30 am 11.00 am

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Prophet to the Nations

God's words in today's First Reading point us beyond Jeremiah to Jesus. Like Jeremiah, Jesus was consecrated in the womb and sent as a "prophet to the nations" (see Luke 1:31–33). Like the prophets before Him, Jesus too faces hostility. In today's Gospel, the crowd in His hometown synagogue quickly turns on Him, apparently demanding a sign, some proof of divine origins—that He's more than just "the son of Joseph." The sign He gives them is that of the prophets Elijah and Elisha. From their colourful careers Jesus draws two stories. In each, the prophets bypass "many . . . in Israel" to bestow God's blessings on non-Israelites who had faith that the prophets were men of God (see 1 Kings 17:1–16; 2 Kings 5:1–14). "None . . . not one" in Israel was found deserving, Jesus emphasises. His point isn't lost on His audience. They know He's likening them to the "many . . . in Israel" in the days of the prophets. That's why they try to shove Him off the cliff. As He promised to protect Jeremiah, the Lord delivers Jesus from those who would crush Him. And as were Elijah and Elisha, Jesus is sent to proclaim God's gift of salvation—not exclusively to one nation or people, but to all who realize in faith that from the womb God alone is their hope, their rescuer, their "rock of refuge," as we sing in today's Psalm. Prophecies, Paul tells us in today's Second Reading, are partial and pass away "when the perfect comes." In Jesus, the word of the prophets has been brought to perfection, fulfilled in those who have ears to hear, as He declares in today's Gospel. Greater than the gifts of faith and hope, Jesus shows us how to love as He loved—to love God as our Father, as the one who formed us in the womb and destined us to hear His saving Word. This is the salvation, the "mighty works of the Lord," that we, like the psalmist, are thankful to proclaim daily in the Eucharist. (Scott Hahn)

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Today's Liturgy (CTS New Sunday Missal): Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (p. 979)

p. 521: Introductory Rites
p. 979: Readings & Proper Prayers
p. 541: The Creed

p. 569: Preface IV of Sundays in Ordinary Time
p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II
p. 631: Communion Rite

ST. JOSEPH ICON: the St. Andrew Community, currently based in Dingwall, are happy to produce smaller reproductions of our new parish icon of St. Joseph, for anyone who would like one. These home icons measure approximately 5 inches (13 cms) by 8 inches (19 cms). The Community have suggested a donation of £10 per icon. If anyone would like a reproduction of our new icon for their own home, please speak to Fr. Domenico.

WANTED – Readers for the 11.00am Mass: do you attend the 11.00 Sunday Mass? Have you ever considered offering your services as a Reader? If you would like to help, please speak to Fr. Domenico or to Pat Grant.

INTRODUCTORY MEETING – First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion: We are holding an introductory meeting on Thursday 10th February at 5.30pm in the church at St Columba's, Culloden. Hopefully you and your child are able to join us then. Any additional family members are welcome too. We will have some of the teaching resources on display and we will be available for any questions. We look forward to meeting the children and guiding them towards the joyful celebration of their first Reconciliation and Holy Communion.

Friday 11 February 2022: Day of Prayer, Recollection, and Healing at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Stratherrick. From 10.45am until 3.30pm. Includes: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; Rosary; Confession; Angelus; Mass with laying on of hands and anointing of the sick; lunch; Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Benediction. Please contact St. Mary's Inverness for further details (01463 233519).

Diocesan Synodal Process: St. Columba's is one of the many parishes that has been invited to host a Synodal Meeting. The precise date is to be confirmed, but certainly before June. Every parishioner will be invited to attend, and everyone's voice will be heard. We will be looking for volunteers on the day to help with: stewarding; moving furniture; providing tea/coffee facilities. If you are interested in volunteering, or in attending this open event, please speak to Fr. Domenico.

Catenian Association: please note that the monthly Catenian meetings, which are held in the Craigmonie hotel, now take place on the **second Thursday of each month**, at 6.45pm. for 7.00pm. New members are always very welcome.

90 Club: DRAW NEXT WEEK, ON SUNDAY 30 JANUARY. This is the first Draw of 2022 – good luck to everyone who has a number! Would you like to join in? Only £2 a month! Speak to Fr. Domenico for details.

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, Anne Hamill, Winnie Ferrari

RIP: Katie Mary Fraser, Charlie Grant, Flora MacDonald

Anniversaries: Eva Zanrè, Jo Jo Giubarelli, Christopher Smith, Jean Esselmont, Hugh McGoogan