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**30 SEPTEMBER 2018:
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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Mass Readings

1st Reading: Numbers 11: 25-29

Psalm: Ps 18 (19): 8, 10, 12-14

2nd Reading: James 5: 1-6

Gospel: Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

Date	Details	Service	Time
Sunday 30 September	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Second Collection: Building Fund	Sacrament of Confession Mass	9.00 am 9.30 am
Tuesday 2 October	The Holy Guardian Angels Mass Intention: Donor's Intentions	Sacrament of Confession Evening Prayer Mass	6.30 pm 7.00 pm 7.30 pm
Wednesday 3 October	Wednesday of Week 26 in Ordinary Time Solemn Profession Mass of John Taylor Mass Intention: Calum and Mary MacIntyre (Heath and Intentions)	Sacrament of Confession Mass	10.30 am 11.00 am
Thursday 4 October	Saint Francis of Assisi Mass Intention: Donor's Intentions	Sacrament of Confession Mass	7.00 pm 7.30 pm
Sunday 7 October	CONFIRMATION MASS WITH BISHOP HUGH (No Second Collection)	Mass	9.30 am

October: Month of the Most Holy Rosary

On October 7th, the Church celebrates the feast day of Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary.

The feast day was established by Pope Saint Pius V on the anniversary of the victory at Lepanto on October 7, 1571. The naval victory was attributed to the Virgin Mary whose intercession was entreated through the recitation of the Holy Rosary.

The Church then proceeded to dedicate the entire month of October to the Holy Rosary so that individuals, families, and communities would pray the Holy Rosary, if possible, on a daily basis for peace in the world.

"Not only do we earnestly exhort all Christians to give themselves to the recital of the pious devotion of the Rosary publicly, or privately in their own house and family, and that unceasingly, but we also desire that the whole of the month of October (in this year) should be consecrated to the Holy Queen of the Rosary" (Excerpt from the Encyclical of Pope Leo XIII, *On Devotion of the Rosary*, September 1, 1883).

The Holy Rosary and the Saints

"The experience of the Saints bears witness to it: this popular Marian prayer [the Holy Rosary] is a precious spiritual means to grow in intimacy with Jesus, and to learn at the school of the Blessed Virgin always to fulfil the divine will. To be apostles of the Rosary... it is necessary to experience personally the beauty and depth of this prayer which is simple and accessible to everyone. It is first of all

necessary to let the Blessed Virgin take one by the hand to contemplate the Face of Christ: a joyful, luminous, sorrowful and glorious Face. Those who, like Mary and with her, cherish and ponder the mysteries of Jesus assiduously, increasingly assimilate his sentiments and are conformed to him" (Excerpt from the Meditation of Pope Benedict XVI, *On the Recitation of the Holy Rosary*, October 19, 2008).



Thought for the Day with Pope Francis

"The Rosary is spiritual medicine.. It is the prayer that always accompanies my life: it is also the prayer of simple people and saints.. it is the prayer of my heart."

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THIS WEDNESDAY – PROFESSION MASS OF JOHN TAYLOR INTO THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER:

The Franciscan Fraternity of San Damiano invites you to this special event, which will take place at St. Columba's on **Wednesday 3 October at 11.00am** (the Vigil of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi). There will be a light lunch after the Mass, to which all are invited. The Fraternity will celebrate the *Transitus of St. Francis* in the afternoon, and visitors are invited to pray this with them. Please do consider coming along to support this special event, and to find out more about the Secular Franciscans!

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: We have 1 meeting left: on Thursday 4 October, 5.45pm – 6.15pm. It is imperative that all Confirmandi attend this class, as we will be having a rehearsal with Fr. Domenico. **Confirmations will take place next Sunday, 7 October, during the 9.30am Mass, with Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB.** Please continue to keep Eilidh, Isla, Finlay, and Logan in your prayers.

DAY OF REPARATION AND PETITION: Saturday 6 October, at St. Mary's, Inverness – This is a Deanery Prayer Vigil of Penitence and Prayer. The programme is as follows:

4.00pm – Gathering Songs and Prayer
4.15pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
4.30pm – The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary
4.50pm – Talk: Reparation and Healing (Fr. James Bell)
5.00pm – Meditation
5.15pm – Vespers and Benediction
5.30pm – Confessions
6.00pm – Vigil Mass of 27th Sunday of the Year
All welcome.

FAITH IN FILM EVENING: 'ROMERO' – Wednesday 10 October at 7.00pm. *Romero* is a compelling and deeply moving look at the life of Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador, who made the ultimate sacrifice in a passionate stand against social injustice and oppression in his country. Certificate: 15; duration 100 minutes.

'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 and Development of the Mass
12.00-12.45pm: Q&A ('The Mass as Heaven on Earth')
12.45-2.00pm: 'Pot-Luck Lunch' (bring along & 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!

BIRDS: WHATS IN A NAME? – Canon Peter Barry's book has now arrived! Those of you who placed orders with Duncan can now pick up your copies from the Sacristy.

TWO NEW BOOKLETS: You will find two new booklets, available for purchase, on the table in the foyer: **'Eucharistic Reflections'** (£1.50) – Join Cardinal Vincent Nichols in these Eucharistic Reflections, which help to draw us ever more deeply into the mystery of Christ made real and present in the gift of the Eucharist. **'The Rosary'** (£3.00) – a superb, full-colour booklet, which helps us to pray the Rosary in a new and exciting way. With reproductions of paintings by the Old Masters, and reflections on every mystery of the Rosary. A wonderful resource for the Marian month of October.

HIGHLAND FOODBANK HARVEST 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 1st October at 12 noon – Laura, Marie, and Don. Would you like to help clean the church? It only takes up one hour a month! See Don for details.

"90 Club": DRAW TODAY AFTER MASS! – Good luck to all who have a number! Would you like one? There is still time! Only £2 monthly! Ask Don for details.

PRIZE BINGO: THIS WEEK – FRIDAY 5 OCTOBER – 'EYES DOWN' AT 7.00PM! – thereafter every first Friday until December! A warm welcome awaits you! We are looking for any non-perishable items for prizes (toiletries, gift packs, store vouchers, wine, spirits, chocolates, boxes of biscuits, etc.). 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! Why not come along and join us in the family fun?!

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

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

R.I.P: + Brian Carr +

Anniversaries: + Margaret McPhee + Shaun May + Bert Rizza + Lexy MacLean +