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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

13 NOVEMBER 2022:
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Year C (II); Psalter: Week 1)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Malachi 3:19-20
Resp. Psalm: Ps 97 (98):5-9
2nd Reading: 2 Thess 3:7-12
Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Sunday 13 November	THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ✠ REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY ✠ Second Collection: Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	Live-Streamed Holy Mass	9.30 am
Tuesday 15 November	St. Albert the Great, Bishop, Doctor	Sacrament of Confession Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	6.15 pm 6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Thursday 17 November	St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious	Sacrament of Confession Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	6.15 pm 6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Saturday 19 November	Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Sacrament of Confession Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.15 am 8.45 am 9.30 am
Sunday 20 November	SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING	Live-Streamed Holy Mass	9.30 am

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: “Today” is the Day

It is the age between our Lord's first coming and His last. We live in the new world begun by His life, death, Resurrection, and Ascension, by the sending of His Spirit upon the Church. But we await the day when He will come again in glory.

“Lo, the day is coming,” Malachi warns in today's First Reading. The prophets taught Israel to look for the Day of the Lord, when He would gather the nations for judgment (see Zephaniah 3:8; Isaiah 3:9; 2 Peter 3:7).

Jesus anticipates this day in today's Gospel. He cautions us not to be deceived by those claiming “the time has come.” Such deception is the background also for today's Epistle (see 2 Thessalonians 2:1–3). The signs Jesus gives His Apostles seem to already have come to pass in the New Testament. In Acts, the Epistles, and Revelation, we read of famines, earthquakes, and the Temple's desolation. We read of persecutions—believers imprisoned and put to death, testifying to their faith with wisdom in the Spirit. These “signs,” then, show us the pattern for the Church's life—both in the New Testament and today. We too live in a world of nations and kingdoms at war. And we should take the Apostles as our “models,” as today's Second Reading counsels. Like them we must persevere in the face of unbelieving relatives, friends, forces, and authorities hostile to God.

As we do in today's Psalm, we should sing His praises and joyfully proclaim His coming as Lord and King. The Day of the Lord is always a day that has already come and a day still yet to come. It is the “today” of our Liturgy.

The Apostles prayed *marana tha* — “O Lord come!” (see 1 Corinthians 16:22; Revelation 22:20). In the Eucharist He answers, coming again as the Lord of Hosts and the Sun of Justice with its healing rays. It is a mighty sign—and a pledge of that Day to come. (Scott Hahn)

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Today's Liturgy (CTS New Sunday Missal): Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (p. 1091)

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 1091: 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

Remembrance Sunday: – this is a day for the nation to remember and honour those who have sacrificed themselves to secure and protect our freedom. We will have our own short Service of Remembrance in front of our War Memorial, at the conclusion of the 9.30am Mass. If you have served – or are presently serving – in HM Armed Forces, or in any form of public service, please do consider attending the event in uniform. Our Second Collection will be for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Gift Aid: we have just received a cheque for the sum of **£ 8,541.81** from Mr. Taxman as our Gift Aid rebate for the tax year 2021-22. It will stand us in good stead in the coming months, with rising energy costs. Praise the Lord indeed!! As you can see, it definitely pays to Gift Aid your contributions. If you don't already do it, why not consider it?

Advent Reflections: each Wednesday evening during Advent, the Priests of the Highland Deanery have arranged reflections in different parishes. Here are the dates, locations, and speakers:

Wednesday 30 November (St. Andrew) – St. Lawrence, Dingwall – Fr. Andrew Niski

/ St. Andrew Community

Wednesday 07 December (St. Ambrose/Eve of the Immaculate Conception) – St. Mary's Beaulieu
– Fr. Laurence Gambella

Wednesday 14 December (St. John of the Cross) – St. Mary's Inverness – Fr. Domenico Zanrè

Wednesday 21 December (St. Peter Canisius) – St. Columba's Culloden – Fr. James Bell

Each evening will consist of the following programme:

6.15pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, & opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession

7.00pm Reflection

7.20pm Night Prayer, followed by Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Looking Ahead.. Christmas Mass Times at St. Columba's:

Christmas Vigil (Sat 24 Dec):

Carol Service: 9.00 pm; Vigil Mass: 9.30 pm

Christmas Day (Sunday 25 Dec):

Mass of Christmas Day: 9.30 am

Prize Bingo: Next evening is Friday 2 December – eyes down at 7pm; come early to be sure of a seat! Items that can be given as prizes are always needed; thank you for your continued support. After the holiday period, we will play our games on the last Friday of each month, beginning on Friday 27 January 2023.

90 Club: Next Draw Sunday 27 November! – Good luck to all with a number. Only one more draw this year; we recommence in 2023. Envelopes for dues will be placed on the table in the entrance foyer in due course.

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, Eileen Anne Millar, Tony Lightfoot

RIP: Mary MacInnes, Dennis O'Driscoll, Jim Quinn, Archbishop Emeritus Mario Conti

Anniversaries: Anna Campbell, Alex MacDonald, Margaret Anne Welsh, Margaret Marshall, Michael & Manji Dannish