



# St. Columba's, Culloden

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## ~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

**4 JUNE 2023:**  
**SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**  
**(Year A (I); Psalter: Week 1)**

## Mass Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9  
 Resp. Psalm: Daniel 3: 52-56  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13  
 Gospel: John 3: 16-18

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Sunday 4 June	<b>SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY TRINITY (pp. 816 ff.)</b> <b>Special Collection: Social Communications</b>	<b>Live-Streamed Holy Mass</b>	<b>9.30am</b>
Tuesday 6 June	Tuesday of Week 9 in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Francis Black, RIP (Birthday on 3 June)	Sacrament of Confession Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	6.15 pm 6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Thursday 8 June	Thursday of Week 9 in Ordinary Time	Sacrament of Confession Eucharistic Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	6.15 pm 6.45 pm 7.30 pm
Saturday 10 June	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 11 June	<b>SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI (pp. 821 ff.)</b> <b>~ FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS ~</b>	<b>Live-Streamed Holy Mass</b>	<b>9.30am</b>

### Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity: How God Loves

We often begin Mass with the prayer from today's Epistle: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you." We praise the God who has revealed Himself as a Trinity, a communion of persons. Communion with the Trinity is the goal of our worship—and the purpose of the salvation history that begins in the Bible and continues in the Eucharist and sacraments of the Church.

We see the beginnings of God's self-revelation in today's First Reading, as He passes before Moses and cries out His holy name. Israel had sinned in worshipping the golden calf (see Exodus 32). But God does not condemn them to perish. Instead He proclaims His mercy and faithfulness to His covenant. God loved Israel as His firstborn son among the nations (see Exodus 4:22). Through Israel—heirs of His covenant with Abraham—God planned to reveal Himself as the Father of all nations (see Genesis 22:18). The memory of God's covenant testing of Abraham—and Abraham's faithful obedience—lies behind today's Gospel. In commanding Abraham to offer his only beloved son (see Genesis 22:2, 12, 16), God was preparing us for the fullest possible revelation of His love for the world.

As Abraham was willing to offer Isaac, God did not spare His own Son but handed Him over for us all (see Romans 8:32). In this, He revealed what was only disclosed partially to Moses—that His kindness continues for a thousand generations, that He forgives our sin and takes us back as His very own people (see Deuteronomy 4:20; 9:29). Jesus humbled Himself to die in obedience to God's will. And for this, the Spirit of God raised Him from the dead (see Romans 8:11), and gave Him a name above every name (see Philippians 2:8-10). This is the name we glorify in today's Responsorial: the name of our Lord, the God who is Love (see 1 John 4, 8, 16). (Scott Hahn)

### Thought for the Day with Pope Francis

.. this is faith: to welcome God-Love; to welcome this God-Love who gives himself in Christ, who moves us in the Holy Spirit; to let ourselves be encountered by him and to trust in him. This is Christian life. To love, to encounter God, to seek God; and He seeks us first; He encounters us first. (Regina Caeli Address, St. Peter's Square, 7 June 2020)

## PARISH NEWS

### Today's Liturgy: Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity, Year A (pp. 816 ff.)

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 816: Readings & Proper Prayers

p. 540: The Creed

p. 819: Preface: Mystery of the Most Holy Trinity

p. 611: Eucharistic Prayer III

p. 631: Communion Rite

**St. Andrew Community Youth Group** – every Friday in the church hall at St. Mary's, in Huntly Street, Inverness. Ages 6-11: 5.00pm-6.00pm; Ages 12-18: 6.30pm-9.00pm. For details: [youth@standrewx.org](mailto:youth@standrewx.org), or call 07754 891808.

**Next Sunday, 11 June: Parish Barbecue!!** – to celebrate with our candidates who will be receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time, we will be having a simple Parish Barbecue on the patio at the back of the church. Everyone is warmly welcome. **Any Barbecue aficionados among us? Can you help us to set up and clear away?** Please speak to Fr. Domenico, or see the sheet in the entrance foyer. Thank you.

**Saturday 17 June: 'New Dawn in the Church' at St. Ninian's, Inverness** – a day of Praise and Worship, inspiring talks, youth ministry, testimonies, workshops, healing and much more! The day begins at 10.30am with Holy Mass. Take a packed lunch with you. All welcome.

**Sunday 26 June: Diocesan Pilgrimage to Pluscarden** – Bishop Hugh is extending an invitation to ALL parishioners to attend this annual diocesan event together. There will be opportunities to relax in the grounds of the Abbey, with a chance to meet people from other parishes. Parishioners are encouraged to bring their own picnics; however, refreshments will also be available from 12 pm in the refreshments tent. **The focus for the pilgrimage will be on the ministry of Altar Servers**, who will be most welcome to attend, with their cassocks, cottas, and Guild of St. Stephen medal (if applicable):

1.00pm - Exposition in the Lady Chapel until 2.30pm

1.00pm - Individual confessions in the parlours at St. Benedict's Retreat until 2.30pm

3.00pm - Mass of the day, followed by a Marian procession to the garden facing St. Benedict's Retreat.

**PIETY STALL** – looking for First Holy Communion gifts, or ideas for presents? Why not check out our extensive range of items at our Piety Stall. Your one-stop shop for all things Catholic!

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IN 2024!** – Bishop Hugh has kindly agreed to come to the parish and bestow the Sacrament of Confirmation upon our candidates on **Sunday 21 April 2024**. If your child is of the appropriate age (P7/S1), please do get in contact with Fr. Domenico as soon as possible, please.

**90 CLUB: MAY WINNERS!!** – First Prize: Theresa Hamilton; Second Prize: Janet Webb; Third Prize: Edith Grant. Next draw on Sunday 25th June.

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Chris Hamilton, Rina Herbison, David Munro, Ellen Williams, Rose Corbett, Winnie Ferrari, Eileen Anne Millar, Tony Lightfoot, Mary & Esther Smith, Linda Macdonald, Pat Peteranna, Lauren Marsh

**Anniversaries:** James McNiffe, James McNiffe, Frances Boyle, Fr. Ted Murphy, Eireann Boughy, Margaret Lamond