

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Aberdeen

(Registered Scottish Charity : SC 005122)

St Columba's, Culloden

The Holy Mass

&

The Sacrament of Confirmation



9.30 am, Sunday 19th June 2016

The Rt Rev'd Hugh Gilbert OSB

Bishop of Aberdeen

Processional Hymn

(Paul Brennan)

(King Divine- Charles Rigby)

Hail, Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine,
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

Refrain

*Angels, saints and nations sing:
"Praised be Jesus Christ, our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary!"*

King whose name creation thrills,
rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,
till in peace each nation rings
with thy praises, King of kings.

Refrain

King most holy, King of truth,
guide the lowly, guide the youth;
Christ thou King of glory bright,
be to us eternal light.

Refrain

Shepherd-King, o'er mountains steep,
homeward bring the wandering sheep,
shelter in one royal fold
states and kingdoms, new and old.

Refrain

Greeting by Bishop Hugh: **Peace be with you**

All respond : **And with your spirit**

Penitential Rite

I confess to almighty God
and to you my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
(striking their breasts they say)
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Absolution by the Bishop

**May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,
And bring us to everlasting life.**

Penitential Rite: *Mass of St Francis*

Gloria: *Mass of St Francis*

Collect

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading:

A reading from the prophet Zechariah (12:10-11; 13:1)

They will look on the one whom they have pierced

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 62: 2-6; 8-9

For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

Second Reading:

A reading from the Letter to the Galatians (3:26-29)

All baptised in Christ, you have clothed yourselves in Christ

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
Anyone who follows me will have the light of life.*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Holy Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (9:18-24)

You are the Christ of God. The Son of Man is destined to suffer grievously

The Rite of Confirmation

❖ The Calling of the Candidates

After the reading of the Gospel, all sit down. Those who have prepared the candidates now present them to the Bishop. When called, the candidates stand and remain standing until all have been presented.

Presenter: My Lord Bishop, may I introduce to you these candidates for Confirmation:... I invite them to stand as I present them to you for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

❖ Homily

The candidates then sit while the Bishop addresses them, their parents, their sponsors and the whole parish community.

❖ The Renewal of Baptismal Promises

After the address, the candidates are invited to come forward and stand before the bishop, with their sponsors behind them.

Bishop: Do you renounce Satan, and all his works and all his empty promises?

*Candidates: **I do.***

Bishop: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

*Candidates: **I do.***

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

Candidates: **I do.**

Bishop: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who today through the Sacrament of Confirmation is given to you in a special way just as he was given to the Apostles on the day of Pentecost?

Candidates: **I do.**

Bishop: Do you believe in the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

Candidates: **I do.**

Bishop: This is our faith. This is the faith of the Church. We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord.

All the faithful: **Amen.**

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### ❖ **The Laying on of Hands**

*Bishop:* Dearly beloved, let us pray to God the almighty Father, for these, his adopted sons and daughters, already born again to eternal life in Baptism, that he will graciously pour out the Holy Spirit upon them to confirm them with his abundant gifts, and through his anointing conform them more fully to Christ, the Son of God.

*The Bishop lays his hands over all those to be confirmed.*

*Bishop:* Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who brought these your servants to new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, freeing them from sin: send upon them, O Lord, the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete; give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety; fill them with the spirit of the fear of the Lord. Through Christ our Lord.

*All:*       **Amen.**

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❖ **The Anointing with Chrism**

All sit. The candidates for confirmation now kneel before the Bishop one by one. At the front of the altar, the sponsor places his or her right hand on the candidate's shoulder. The Bishop then anoints each candidate on the forehead with the oil of chrism.

Bishop: **N., BE SEALED WITH THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

The newly confirmed replies: **Amen.**

Bishop: **Peace be with you.**

The newly confirmed replies: **And with your spirit.**

After their Confirmation, the candidates remain standing.

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❖ **General Intercessions** (*All Stand*)

*Bishop:* My dear brothers and sisters, let us humbly pray to God the almighty Father and be of one mind in our prayer, just as faith, hope and charity, which proceed from his Holy Spirit, are one.

*Intercessor:* For these his servants, whom the gift of the Holy Spirit, has confirmed that planted in faith and grounded in love, they may bear witness to Christ the Lord by their way of life,

*Lord, hear us*

*All:* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Intercessor:* For their parents and sponsors: that by word and example they may continue to encourage us those whom they have sponsored in the faith to follow in the footsteps of Christ,

*Lord hear us.*

*All:* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Intercessor:* For the Holy Church of God, together with, Francis our Pope, Hugh our Bishop and all the Bishops: that gathered by the Holy Spirit, the Church may grow and increase in unity of faith and love until the coming of the Lord,

*Lord hear us.*

*All:* **Lord, graciously hear us.**



*Intercessor:* For the whole world; that all people, who have one Maker and Father, may acknowledge one another as brothers and sisters, without discrimination of race or nation, and with sincere hearts seek the Kingdom of God, which is peace and joy in the Holy Spirit,  
*Lord hear us.*

*All:* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Intercessor:* For all the peoples of the world and especially the people of our own country. That God may bless everyone with his peace, take away violence, and give all the protection of his love,  
*Lord hear us.*

*All:* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Intercessor:* For an increase in vocations to the religious life, and to the sacred ministries of the Church. That God may encourage our seminarians: Andrew, Emmet, Rafal, Christopher, Malachy and Dominic,  
*Lord hear us*

*All:* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Intercessor:* For all the dead who have gone before us, in faith. That they may receive the reward of eternal life.  
*Lord hear us.*

*All:* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Bishop:* O God, who gave the Holy Spirit to your Apostles and willed that through them and their successors the same Spirit be handed on to the rest of the faithful, listen favourably to our prayer, and grant that your divine grace, which was at work when the gospel was first proclaimed, may now spread through the hearts of those who believe in you.  
Through Christ our Lord.

*All:*       **Amen**

# **The Liturgy of the Eucharist**

## ***Offertory Procession***

The newly confirmed bring a number of gifts forward at the Offertory: the bread and wine which will become the Body and Blood of Christ.

## **Offertory Hymn**

(Matthew Bridges)

My God, accept my heart this day,  
and make it always thine,  
that I from thee no more may stray,  
no more from thee decline.

Before the cross of him who died,  
behold, I prostrate fall;  
let every sin be crucified,  
and Christ be all in all.

Anoint me with thy heavenly grace,  
and seal me for thine own;  
that I may see thy glorious face,  
and worship near thy throne.

Let every thought and work and word  
to thee be ever given:  
Then life shall be thy service, Lord,  
and death the gate of heaven.

All glory to the Father be,  
all glory to the Son,  
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,  
while endless ages run.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

**Preface**

**Holy, Holy, Holy: *Mass of St Francis***

**The Eucharistic Prayer**

**Our Father**

**The Sign of Peace**

**Lamb of God: *Mass of St Francis***

**Holy Communion**

## Communion Hymn

(Sebastian Temple, based on the Prayer of St Francis of Assisi)

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord.  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness only light,  
and where there's sadness ever joy.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved, as to love, with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving to all men that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.



*Following the Prayer after Communion, the newly confirmed stand before the Bishop for a special blessing*

### **Recessional Hymn**

*(Paul Brennan)*

*(King Divine- Charles Rigby)*

*Walk with me, oh my Lord,  
through the darkest night and brightest day  
Be at my side, oh Lord,  
hold my hand and guide me on my way.*

*Sometimes the road seems long,  
my energy is spent.  
Then, Lord, I think of you  
and I am given strength*

*Refrain*

*Stones often bar my path  
and there are times I fall,  
but you are always there  
to help me when I call.*

*Refrain*

Just as you calmed the wind  
and walked upon the sea,  
conquer, my living Lord,  
the storms that threaten me.

*Refrain*

Help me to pierce the mists  
that cloud my heart and mind,  
so that I shall not fear  
the steepest mountain-side.

*Refrain*

As once you healed the lame  
and gave sight to the blind,  
help me when I'm downcast  
to hold my head up high.

*Refrain*

**'The word "Confirmation" ... reminds us that this Sacrament brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace: it unites us more firmly to Christ, it renders our bond with the Church more perfect, and it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith, ... to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of his Cross.'** (Pope Francis)



## **Candidates**

| <b>Candidate</b>       | <b>Confirmation Name</b> |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Erin Kelly</b>      | <b>Francis</b>           |
| <b>Morven MacAulay</b> | <b>Thérèse</b>           |
| <b>Matt MacFarlane</b> | <b>Sebastian</b>         |
| <b>Calum McDaid</b>    | <b>Andrew</b>            |
| <b>Louis Peteranna</b> | <b>Anthony</b>           |