

St. Mary's, Inverness

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Mass Readings

1st Reading: 1 Acts 14: 21-27

Psalm: 144

2nd Reading: Apocalypse 21: 1-5

Gospel: John 13: 31-35

The Parish Bulletin

19 May 2019

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Date	Details	Service	Time
Sunday 19 May	Fifth Sunday of Easter Second collection: Ordination Expenses	Mass Polish Mass Mass	11.00 13.00 18.30
Monday 20 May	Memorial of St Bernardine of Siena	Mass Mass	10.00 18.00
Tuesday 21 May	Memorial of St Christopher Magallanes and Companions	Mass Mass	08.00 10.00
Wednesday 22 May	Memorial of St Rita of Cascia	Mass	10.00
Thursday 23 May	Fifth Week in Eastertide	Morning Prayer Mass	09.45 10.00
Friday 24 May	Fifth Week in Eastertide	Mass	12.30
Saturday 25 May	Memorial of St Bede the Venerable	Mass Vigil Mass	10.00 18.00
Sunday 26 May	Sixth Sunday of Easter Second collection: Fabric	Mass Polish Mass Mass	11.00 13.00 18.30

~~FOR YOUR PRAYERS~~

+ Sick

+ Christopher Brown + Mary Cumming + Kate Fraser + George Taylor + Maureen Rattray + Florian Alvaran + Ian Cameron + Leslie Allan + Evelyn Farry + Catharine Stewart + Louise Hendry + Hilary Smith + Mary Grant + Leslie Murray + Sabrina MacAllen + Margaret Dow + James Connelly + Ruth & John Huggett + Claude & Hilary Hayward + Joyce Connelly + Margaret Carr + Agnes MacLean + Emmy MacNicol + Louise Bestau + Ann and Drewie Cameron + Margaret MacLennan + Roddy MacKenzie + Rita Regan + Winifred Kelly + Margaret Harrison + Roddy Corbett + Tommy Robertson + Brian and Margaret Lamond + Hazel Collins + Lynne Williams + Marjory Trace +

+Anniversaries+

+ Morag McAllister + Margaret Macdonell + Maisie Miller + Margaret MacDonald + Mary Sutherland + Hugh MacIver + Mary Anderson + Alexander MacDonald + Jessie Margaret Stewart + William Cuthbert + Isabel Hastie + Hugh Jones + Frederick Carr + Thomas Campbell + Mary Reid + James McGhee + George Maclaren + Louis Morrison + Bronius Drevinskas + Margaret Gaston + Christina MacDonald + Catherine Dodd + Henry Fraser + Paul Grant + Walker Hayes +

Dear Parishioners,

“All will be well, all manner of things will be well” – encouraging words of the English mystic, Julian of Norwich. For all that is well I am profoundly thankful – to so many people. I continue to be in good shape having had a successful operation. The doctors are continuing to remove the infection in my hip which has been there since 2010. I am receiving excellent surgical, medical and nursing care. The international staff represents the best of human qualities. It is a joy to me to be lovingly cared for by them all, including some of our own Catholics from St. Mary’s – doctors, nurses, auxiliaries and porters, all lovely people. I would continue to be grateful for the support of the whole Parish united together in the best tradition of St. Mary’s. This comes with my assurance of prayers for you all. I know that you will all give full support to those who are caring for the Parish during my weeks away.

The Presbytery administration is in the capable hands of Fr. Piotr, who with PJ will ensure that the Parish functions. Carol will look after Finance and is in contact with me.

Fr. Andrew Niski is co-ordinating the Mass schedule and the weekly staff meeting at which all pastoral matters are discussed and arrangements made.

Fr. Bala is in residence and is supporting the liturgical and pastoral arrangements.

Deacon Dominic with the Daughters of Divine Love, Deacon Patrick and Marvia will be looking at the home visits.

No one should be without access to a Priest.

Fr. Domenico, the Vicar general will be keeping a friendly eye on all our arrangements. He and I are in regular contact.

Again, I express my affectionate gratitude to you all, for your ongoing prayers. “Everyday we encourage one another”. You are all ever in my thoughts and Prayers.

Bless you all.

Aye

Fr. James

JUSTICE AND PEACE

Wednesday 22 May. Human Trafficking and Exploitation Talk. The Inverness Justice and Peace group have invited Alister Bull from Hope for Justice (hopeforjustice.org) to speak in St. Ninian’s Church hall. He will identify the different types of exploitation that exist and give advice about how to respond appropriately. Refreshments at 7.00pm, for a 7.30pm start. For more information contact Jill Kent at: jillkent@me.com.

SCIAF

SCIAF would like to thank all parishioners at St. Mary’s and the pupils of St Joseph’s School for their generous donations to the Lenten collection and the WEE BOX appeal. This year we have been able to send a total of £2,073 to SCIAF to help millions of people devastated by hunger, poverty, war and natural disasters in some of the poorest countries in the world.

Highland Foodbank – April and May: Your donations help to provide emergency food and support to local people in crisis. During these months, we would be grateful for the following items: * Tins of Vegetables * Cartons of Long Life Fruit Juice * Washing Powder (small) * Shaving Foam / Razors. Please leave them in the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity!

SVP OUTING

On Monday 27th May. Parishioners of St Mary’s are invited to a day out to Dingwall and Beaulieu on Monday 27th May, organised by the SVP. The coach will leave after morning Mass at 10:45 traveling to Dingwall town centre for shopping and sight-seeing. Thereafter, the next destination will be Beaulieu with lunch at the Priory and time to look around. The bus will leave Beaulieu to return to Inverness at around 3:00. If you wish to join us on the day trip please confirm your attendance by adding your name to the list at the front of the church. A booking fee of £2.00 will be collected on the day. All parishioners are invited to this day trip. We look forward to welcoming you on Monday 27th.

St Margaret: Pilgrimage to Dunfermline Sunday 2 June 2019

From 11.00 a.m. we visit sites associated with St Margaret's life, 1.45 p.m. Gather at Pittencrieff Park gates for procession, 3.00 p.m. Holy Mass at St Margaret's Memorial Church. For more information go to website www.stmargaretsdunfermline.co.uk

Power of Grace 2019 FAITH RALLY

Keep Saturday 15 June from 11:00 – 18:00 free and head to Greyfriars Convent, Elgin for the sixth annual post-Confirmation youth rally for the Diocese of Aberdeen! This retreat is for Catholic youth, especially those recently confirmed, between the ages of 11-18 are welcome for this day of deepening faith and great activities! Registration: op@rcda.scot

Words of St. Faustina

Jesus make my heart into Yours, or rather transform it into Your own Heart that I may sense the needs of other hearts, especially those who are sad and suffering. May the rays of mercy rest in my heart. (Diary 514.)

St Mary's Church, Nairn

Saturday 25 May: The Moray String Quartet St. Mary's RC Church, Nairn, invites you to a Fundraising Concert for their Church Hall Renovation. To be held at Pluscarden Abbey at 3.30pm. The musical selection includes Pachelbel's Canon and 3 pieces by Gershwin. A retiring collection will be taken at the door; suggested donation: £10. Refreshments at the interval. All welcome.

ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL

Please see our posters advertising the Church Hall for Parties, Weddings and other functions. Bouncy castle available. If you are interested, please speak with PJ in the Parish Office 01463 233519.



**“The word of God is alive”
(Hebrews 4:12);
it does not die or get old,
but remains forever.
Pope Francis Twitter
Pontifex**

**Please continue to pray for
vocations to the Priesthood;
Malachy Eze, Christopher Doig,
Aidan Matheson**

PARISH GROUPS EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND ROSARY WITH CENACOLO PRAYER GROUP:

Every Monday after the 6:00 pm Mass
in St. Mary's Church. All welcome.

THE DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE LOVE Tuesdays Tea/coffee Marian Room with Sisters: Open to Everyone

10.45 am – 12.30 pm: Feel free to bring your crafts
along

Prayer Time (in Sisters' Oratory):

6.00 pm – Exposition and silent Adoration, then
from 6.30 pm – 7.20 pm: Rosary and Vespers
**Lectio Divina Second and Every two weeks
Wednesday 3.00 pm – 4.30 pm**

St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP) meets every
fortnight, **next meeting Sunday
26 May 2019, in the Marian Room at 10.00 am.**
New volunteers of all nationalities welcomed.
Requests for assistance and support can be made
by contacting Mark Jones in confidence or any
SVDP member or by dropping a note in the **SVDP**
collection box. Mobile number: **07988 670 997**
Visit www.ssvpscotland.com

Rosary Group DDL

*“Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will
conquer the World” Pope Pius IIX*

Join us every Saturday at 11.00 a.m. at St Mary's
Parish, Inverness Marian Room for Rosary Group
Prayers.

*“The power of the Rosary is beyond
description “Bishop Fulton Sheen”*

Prayer & Praise Music Group meet every
Thursday in the Lady Chapel at St. Columba's
Culloden after 7.30 p.m. Mass.

~~SICK OR HOSPITAL VISITS~~

Please contact the Parish Office if you require a visit or know of anyone who is sick and house bound or in hospital and wishes a visit and or Holy Communion

~~TEA AND COFFEE~~

Tea, Coffee & biscuits are served after the Sunday 11.00 Mass in St Mary's Church Hall. A warm welcome awaits visitors. Please come along and enjoy a friendly chat.

~~PARISH GROUPS & DEVOTIONS~~

Please join our volunteers: **Readers during Mass, Welcome Ministry & Pass keepers, Choir, Kitchen, Sunday Teas, Flower Arrangers or Church Cleaning Team.** Speak to Priests, Deacon, Sisters, Sacristan or Parish Office. ***New Members with fresh ideas are always welcome to come along and attend or visit parish groups where they will receive a warm welcome.***

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon, Tue, Wed 10.30 – 11.00
Saturday 10.30 – 11.00

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 10.30 – 11.00
(or on request, if there is a priest available)

Sacrament of Baptism

Sunday during or after the 11.00 Mass
or by arrangement with the Clergy

Weddings

By arrangement; see website

~~CONTACT DETAILS~~

Fr James Bell	Parish Priest	01463 233519
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Fr Andrew Niski	Assistant Priest	01463 233519
Fr Balaraj Chencetty	Priest in Residence	07404 999575
Dcn Patrick Darbyshire	Parish Deacon & Prison Chaplain	01463 233519 07484 212617
Dcn Dominic Nwaigwe	Parish Deacon (transient)	01463 233519
PJ Faferek	Parish Office	01463 233519
Carol MacLean	Finance & Gift Aid Organiser	01463 233519
Stephen Dunphy	Safeguarding Officer	01463 233519
Daughters of Divine Love Convent (Sr. Grace)		01463 718690
St Joseph's Primary School		01463 231837

~~FINANCE~~

COLLECTIONS:

St Mary's no.1: £968
Second Collection -
Vocations: £507

St Mary's Accounts

Visitors & locals - your continued generosity is appreciated for the upkeep of our beautiful Church.