



NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 6th February AD MMXXII
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) , and 5th Sunday after Epiphany
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Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil (anticipated Mass of Sunday) 4pm at St Pius X; Sunday 9.30am St Patrick's Parish Mass; 11.30am Traditional Latin Mass at St Patrick's;
4pm SUNDAY MASS reintroduced at St Pius X

Weekday Masses: Monday there is no public Mass; Tuesday 9pm at St Pius X; Wednesday 10am and 6pm (Latin) at St Patrick's; Thursday 10am at St Pius X; Friday 1pm and 7pm (Latin) at St Patrick's

Saturday Masses: 1st Saturday of the month; Fatima Devotions 8.30am Adoration, Confessions, Rosary, 10am Latin Mass at St Patrick's. 2nd Saturday of the month; 10am Mass at St Pius X followed by Monthly Garden and Grounds cleaning. Last Saturday of the month; 10am Mass at St Patrick's followed by Monthly Church and Ground Cleaning.

Confessions: Sunday 9am-9.25am and again at 10.45am-11.15am at St Patrick's. Tuesday 8pm-8.40pm at St Pius X. Wednesday 9am-9.30am and again 5pm-5.40pm at St Patrick's. Thursday 9am-9.30am at St Pius X. Friday 12 Noon-12.40pm and again 6pm-6.40pm at St Patrick's. Saturday 3pm-3.45pm at St Pius X. Otherwise, on request.

Exposition and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: usually accompanies confessions before weekday Masses.

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOPS OF SCOTLAND

Restoring the Sunday Obligation

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The obligation for Catholics to celebrate Sunday as a Holy Day by gathering together for Mass will be restored from the First Sunday in Lent, Sunday 6th March. Given the easing of restrictions in every other walk of life, the

Church looks forward to welcoming Catholics back to Holy Mass. **As always, the obligation does not apply to those who are sick and their carers or to those aware of their greater vulnerability to the virus.** May the continuing recovery of our country bring new hope to us all especially those who are ill, those who mourn loved ones, those who are apprehensive and those who have sustained us in so many ways throughout the Pandemic. We, the Bishops of Scotland, take this opportunity to thank our clergy and our parish volunteers for all their efforts. May our Lenten journey this year lead us to a renewed appreciation of our Catholic faith, of the celebration of the Eucharist and of the presence of the Risen Christ who is always at our side.

Bishop Hugh Gilbert

President, Bishops' Conference of Scotland

Funerals: We pray also for John Jeffrey, whose Funeral will take place on Friday 11th February also at Dundee Crematorium. Please also pray for James Bruce, whose Funeral has yet to be finalised. God rest all the faithful departed.

Monthly Garden and Cleaning Days: The next monthly cleaning dates are now; Saturday February 12th grounds & garden maintenance at St Pius X after the 10am Mass, and Tuesday February 22nd at 9am for St Pius X Church cleaning. Saturday February 26th after the 10am Mass at St Patrick's for the church and grounds cleaning morning. We really need to clean all the rubbish that gathers around the grounds, yes that litter isn't our fault but we all share a responsibility of maintaining things for the sake of the dignity of the Lord.

With regards to coming along to help out, please don't hesitate to come and volunteer, old hands and new faces are welcome. We simply can't keep things going with three or four people per parish, it needs a group effort.

**Indulged Prayer (Pope Leo XIII)
to Our Lady of Lourdes
Feast Day 11th February**



O Holy Mary, Mother of God, who to reanimate the faith of the world and draw men to thy divine Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, didst deign to appear at Lourdes; thou who, in order to render more manifest thy maternal tenderness, and to inspire our hearts with greater confidence, didst choose a simple little child as the confidant of thy mercy; thou who didst say: "I am the Immaculate Conception" to make us understand the priceless value of that innocence which is the pledge of the friendship of God; thou who by eighteen successive apparitions didst not cease by thy actions and words to urge men to prayer and penance, which alone can appease Heaven and ward off the blows of divine justice; thou who, by a moving appeal to the world, hast reunited before the miraculous grotto an innumerable multitude of thy children; behold us, Our Lady of Lourdes, prostrate at thy feet, and confident of obtaining blessings and graces from God by thy most powerful intercession. Those who love thee, O Mother of Jesus Christ, Mother of men, desire above everything to serve God faithfully in this world, so as to have

the happiness of loving Him eternally in Heaven. Listen to the prayers which we this day address to thee; defend us against the enemies of our salvation, and against our own infirmities; together with the pardon of our sins, obtain for us perseverance in the determination never to fall away again. We implore thee also to take under thy protection our friends and benefactors, and of these in a very special manner those who have abandoned the practice of their christian duties. May they be converted and become thy faithful servants. Amen.

Afternoon for Life: Bishop Stephen Robson invites you to join him for the Afternoon For Life at the Our Lady of Victories church hall in Forebank Road on **Saturday 12th February at 1pm**. There will be informative talks from expert pro-life speakers. With on-going moves to legalise assisted suicide, it is imperative to be up to date with the latest debates. Tea and coffee will be provided during the afternoon and there may be crèche places available. The Afternoon finishes around 4.30pm. For further information and to book a place please email mcgraw.clare@gmail.com

2022 Spiritual Programme: LAST CHANCE to SIGN UP
ALL PARTICIPANTS should come to an introductory meeting this week before we start formally on Sunday 13th February. Wednesday 9th 7.15pm at St Patrick's Hall for the Ladies; and Thursday 10th 7.15pm at St Pius X for the Gentlemen. This preparatory session is to explain the concepts involved, and to also clarify the expectations and practices from the first Sunday to Easter Day.

This is a way of preparing for Easter with Prayer, Asceticism and Fraternity, beginning on 13th of February. The Women's group (*Women of Jerusalem*) will meet on Wednesdays evenings 7.15pm in St Patrick's Parish Hall. The Men's group (*Men of Galilee*) meets on Thursdays at 7.15pm at St Pius X Parish Hall. The meeting lasts for an hour and there will be an opportunity for a cuppa afterwards.

We will use two books: "The thirty day retreat in the Carmelite Tradition" by Fr Marsh, O.Carm., and "40 Days at the Foot of the Cross" by Fr John Paul Thomas, as the daily schedule before and during Lent, respectively.

Holy Water: Available in St Patrick's at the Baptistry, and in the side chapel of St Pius X. Please do take some home!

Legion of Mary: For various reasons the group (Praesidium) will move to having its meetings in St Pius X on Tuesday evenings. The praesidium meets Tuesdays at 6.30pm in the Presbytery. www.legionofmary.ie New enquirers welcome.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society: Meeting again on Tuesday 15th February at 6.45pm in the Hall of St Pius X. New Enquirers welcome. SVPD parish collection (donations and funds) after Mass will continue on a weekly basis. New members also welcome to come and see if this is for you!

Devotions: the perpetual novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal at St Patrick's before the 10am Wednesday Mass, and the same for St Philomena before the 10am Mass on Thursdays at St Pius X. Beginning at 9.30am before Benediction. This means confessions on those days must end at 9.30am.

Children's Catechism Classes: Each Thursday at St Pius X 4-5pm, for all children of Primary School age. First Confessions for the children of St Pius X Primary School will take place on Wednesday 9th March 2022 at 1.15pm. All other children will make their first confession during the Thursday Catechism Class 10th March at 4pm. First Holy Communion Masses 2022 will take place on Saturday 21st of May at 10am at St Pius X and Sunday 22nd May 11.30am at St Patrick's.

Confirmation will take place at St Pius X on Saturday 30th April at 4pm, and at St Patrick's on Sunday 1st May 11.30am.

Marriage Preparation Classes: last two sessions Saturday 19th & 26th February at St Pius X Presbytery 6.30pm

Adult Catechism: We began again this week, meeting fortnightly. The next session is now Friday 4th February at 8pm in St Patrick's Hall. The class lasts 90 minutes. We use the book "the Catechism Explained" by Father Francis Spirago. Everyone is expected to read up to page 204 for the next session, if you want to keep up to date. You should also watch the video series <https://olrfamilycatechism.com/> and by our next session it would be good for everyone to have watched all the videos up to "Lesson Week 13".

If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic, speak to Father directly for preparation.

Novena to St Peregrine: after the 10am Mass on the second Saturday of the month at St Pius X, 12th February 2022. St Peregrine, amongst other things, is the patron saint of cancer patients. St Pius X was given his shrine from St Vincent's

Hospital Visits: it is encouraged for you to be anointed and to receive the other sacraments in advance of a planned hospital admission by your Parish Priest. There are only five priests on the ordinary rota available for Ninewells, Royal Victoria and Roxburghe House calls, with another priest responsible for patients with the Corona Virus Disease, who are on separate wards in Ninewells (the separation of chaplains is to prevent cross-contamination amongst wards).

ANY HELP NEEDED? PLEASE CALL 07849 414 641

or e-mail spxpatsvdp@gmail.com

There are lots of reasons someone might need help from the **Society of St Vincent de Paul**; they can be a contact point to help you get specific help with other linked organisations. The Parish Conference (group) helps at present with the distribution of shopping bags to those who request them, and when needed in an emergency, the provision of funds for electric and gas. Of recent there has also been assistance given to obtain the correct social security payments for families in need, help to find the right forms and process claims in the right way. Support for all sorts of social, economic and spiritual concern can be considered, including if you are self isolating or in quarantine and need assistance with essentials. Pass this number on to others.

Thankyou: to everyone who helped deconstruct the Nativity Scenes and Christmas Trees in both churches. We now need volunteers to take away the trees for proper disposal, if you have a van or large car handy to help out.

Second Collections in 2022: 20th February, 7th Sunday of the Year, *The Ecclesiastical Student Fund*; 27th March, 4th Sunday of Lent, *Papal & Episcopal Charities (including SCIAF)*; 15th April Good Friday, *Holy Places*; 29th May, 7th Sunday of Easter *The Apostolate of Communications*; 5th June Pentecost *The Day for Life*; 26th June Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul, *Peter's Pence*; 10th July 15th Sunday of the Year, *The Apostleship of the Sea*; 31st July 18th Sunday of the Year, *Bishop's Mensal Fund*; 11th September 24th Sunday of the Year, *The sick and retired priests Fund*; 23rd October 30th Sunday of the Year, *Mission Sunday*; 20th November Solemnity of Christ the King, *Catholic Education Service*; 27th November 1st Sunday of Advent, *Poor Mission Fund*. **Thank you for your generosity this year.**

Blessings: after the Masses on each first Sunday of the month (and the Vigil Mass closest to the first Sunday) opportunity for the blessing of oil, salt, and any piety items or “holy objects”. Don’t hesitate to ask individually in the sacristy as well.

Repository at St Pius X: Open before and after the 4pm Vigil Mass on Saturday.

Dundee Pregnancy and Parent Support (DPAPS): Local Catholic voluntary organisation offering support to pregnant women, and parents. They can help with the supply of baby equipment and clothing; can also provide companionship at appointments and help with accessing benefits and financial assistance. If you have any enquiries regarding DPAPS you can visit their Facebook page, or call 07453 784295.

DIocese OF DUNKELD SYNOD: JOURNEYING TOGETHER INFORMATION FOR PARISHIONERS

A Questionnaire has been available as from Friday 4th February online (but is also available in paper format for those who don’t have internet access, please ask in the sacristy) www.dunkelldiocese.co.uk - it can be found in the ‘synodality’ menu on the task bar on the opening page of the website.

All responses must be submitted online or paper copies returned to the diocese by Sunday 25 February 2022 [Diocese of Dunkeld 24-28 Lawside Road, Dundee, DD3 6XY]. The Diocesan Coordinating Group will collate them and present them to the Bishop who will compile a report, share it with us, and submit it to Rome in August 2022 .

March 4th - April 3rd Lenten Parish Group listening sessions are planned. Volunteer Co-ordinators have been approached (“facilitators”) with relation to their relevant experience in the field of communication to lend their skills for a successful completion of our engagement. They will also be provided with a Diocesan training day on Saturday 19th of February.

Parish Safeguarding Representative: Dr Joseph Geoghegan 07771 265197, for anything regarding the safeguarding of children, vulnerable adults, and the safety of the community either at St Pius X or St Patrick’s.

The annual review took place at the end of January.

<https://www.scsafeguarding.org.uk/> You can also contact the Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Service (SCSS) by telephoning 0141 332 7177 or by email at contact@scsafeguarding.org.uk

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A -ve Regina caelórum, * Ave Dómina Ange-lórum :
Sálve rádix, sálve pórtá, Ex qua mundo lux est órta :
Gáude Vírgo glo-ri- ósa, Su-per ómnes spe-ci- ósa : Vále,
o valde decó-ra, Et pro nó-bis Chrístum exó-ra.
V. Dignáre me laudáre te Vírgo sacráta
R. Da mihi virtútem contra hóstes túos.

Rejoice, O glorious Virgin,
Lovely beyond all others,
Farewell, most beautiful maiden,
And pray for us to Christ.”

Ave Regina Caelorum: this Marian prayer is sung from February 2, also known as Candlemas, until the Easter Vigil. The first time this hymn appeared in the Church is in the 12th century. Its text is also attributed to St Herman the Lame, who is also the author of the chant for *Alma Redemptoris Mater*. In English, the song is translated to the hymn “Hail, Queen of Heaven”.

“Welcome, O Queen of Heaven.
Welcome, O Lady of Angels
Hail! thou root, hail! thou gate
From whom unto the world, a light has arisen:

HYMN BOARD

Processional:
Immortal, invisible, God only Wise
St Pius X **725**
St Patrick’s **301**

Offertory:
Lord accept the gifts we offer
St Pius X **604**
St Patrick’s **377**

Holy Communion:
Sweet Sacrament Divine
St Pius X **663**
St Patrick’s **674**

Recessional:
Immaculate Mary
St Pius X **365**
St Patrick’s **300**