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Fifth Sunday of Year C - 6th February 2022

Next Sunday - 6th Sunday of Year C

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 Matthew 4:19

This week:

Today: Mass at 9.30 a.m., and 11.00 a.m.

Monday: Mass at 9.30 a.m.

**Tuesday: Mass in St Paul's Academy at 8.25 a.m.
 Mass at 9.30 a.m.**

Wednesday: Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Thursday: Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.

**Friday: Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes - WORLD DAY OF THE SICK
 Mass in St John's High School at 8.20 a.m.
 Mass at 9.30 a.m. [With Anointing of the Sick]**

Saturday: Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Vigil Mass at 6.00 p.m.

**Sunday Sixth Sunday of the Year [Year C - Year of St Luke]
 Masses at 9.30 a.m. and 11.00 a.m.**

Rosary

We will continue to pray the rosary at 9.10 each morning.

Hospital chaplaincy and visitation

If you or a loved one is in hospital and wish to receive the Sacraments, please make contact with the Duty Hospital Chaplain on 07821 624124. Other priests have been refused entry to wards at this time. The chaplain can be contacted by pager through the hospital switchboard on 01382 660111.

Of your charity, please pray for:

Our recently deceased: Cathie Dailly, Michael Lynch, Frances Brady, Alex Byrne [Alva], Mel Latto [Alva] & Tommy Bonner [Chicago]
and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Charles Cabrelli, James Ness, Ronald Mackie, Jean Mackie, John Walsh & Bill Nicholl.

And for those sick in hospital and those who are housebound

FINANCE UPDATE

Last Sundays Collection was £876[Gift Aid was £355]

Thank you for your generosity

We are grateful for those who have supported us by Gift Aid and those who have put their collection envelopes and donations through the door or made donations through our Bank.

If you can make an offering our details are:

Royal Bank of Scotland - Dundee Kingsway Circus Branch, 277 Strathmartine Road, DD3 8NS

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Thank you all for your continued support

Grateful thanks for £940 received through Direct Debit during the month of November

SOME DIARY DATES FOR 2022

Ash Wednesday - 2 March

First Confessions for P 4 - Thursday 24 March at 2,00 p.m.

P2 Mass - Wednesday 27th April

Confirmations - Wednesday 4 May at 7.00 p.m. [with Bishop Stephen]

26th May - ASCENSION THURSDAY [P3 to lead Mass]

Caritas Ceremony on Wednesday 1st June at SECC

9th June - P1 Mass for Feast of St Columba

First Communions Sunday 19th June [Corpus Christi]

P 4 to 7 Prizes- Tuesday 21st June

P7 Leavers Mass and Presentation of Ties - Wednesday 29th June at 11.00

SACRAMENT CELEBRATION FOR CHILDREN WHO DO NOT ATTEND ST PETER AND PAUL'S SCHOOL

If you child attends Mass here and is not at our school, and you wish them to receive Reconciliation and First Communion or Confirmation, please speak to Fr ken as soon as possible so that the extra workbooks may be ordered.

Primary 4 for Reconciliation and First Communion and P 7 for Confirmation

WORD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK

30 years ago, Saint John Paul II instituted the World Day of Prayer for the Sick, to encourage the people of God, Catholic Health institutions and civil society to be increasingly attentive to the sick and those who care for them.

Bishop Stephen invites you to mark this Day of Prayer, as we did before Covid, with the celebration of Holy Mass in

St Mary's, The Immaculate Conception, Lochee, on February 11th 2022 at 7.00pm



SYNODALITY - FIRST PHASE - CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

INFORMATION FOR PARISHIONERS

On October 9th 2021, Pope Francis launched a *Global Synod*: a two year process, unprecedented in the history of the Catholic Church.

A synodal church is a community of equals who walk together, guided by the Holy Spirit, where everyone feels they belong, are listened to, and can offer opinions freely without being judged.

Popes often hold synods to consult their bishops when making important church decisions.

Pope Francis recognises that it is now time to consult us all, so that the Church goes back to the original way of being Church; where all members were consulted about its future.

We must honour what is holy and enduring in our Church, build on the values of what is good and think deeply about what the Church needs to be in our time.

And so, every baptised member of the Catholic Church throughout the world, is being asked take part in a unique opportunity, to have a stake in the future of the Church we love, and to dream about the kind of Church we want to have.

So, what is being asked of us? Three things.

1. Firstly: to pray about, reflect and respond as best we can to a simple, anonymous questionnaire about our parish experiences.

2. Secondly: to reach out to those whose voices are missing in our parishes, those who rarely or never practice their faith, who feel left out, judged, or are on the margins of society, those of different religions or no religions at all and offer them an opportunity to speak out.

3. Finally to come together in small parish groups during Lent to discuss issues that concern us, to listen to each other, learn from each other, build bridges and open minds to discern what the Spirit is asking the Church to be.

The questionnaire is offered in paper form as you leave the church, today and can be collected from the sacristy., or preferably, it can be accessed and submitted online at:

www.dunkelddiocese.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]

Two facilitators from each parish will collate the paper copies returned. David Bowes and Mary Meg Wilson will be our facilitators. A 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 .

Pope Francis asks us not to adopt the attitude of 'we have always done things this way'. If we do, we will make the mistake of not taking seriously the times in which we are living.

We are all here in this holy place at Mass today, because we love our Church and we want to see it thrive in the third millennium - but it takes all of us to step up, to honour the responsibilities bestowed on us at our baptism, and not to leave it to the few. Let our journey together begin today.

RESTORATION OF THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BISHOPS CONFERENCE OF SCOTLAND

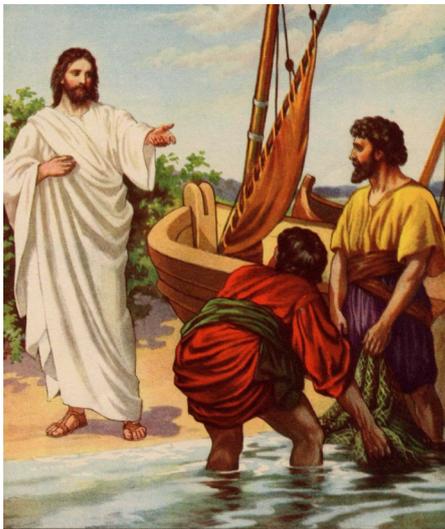
Dear Brothers and Sisters **in Christ**,

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.

- **Hugh Gilbert**,
Bishop of Aberdeen,
President of the Bishop's Conference of Scotland.

Please note that it is still a legal requirement to wear face coverings in Church, and to sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the Church. You are also asked to continue to receive Holy Communion in the hand. We would hope to re-introduce the Novena to Our Lady of Good Counsel on the first Saturday in Lent and to resume Eucharistic Adoration from Ash Wednesday and each successive Wednesday from after Mass until 12 noon.

Whom does God choose?



We've just heard two iconic vocation-stories from biblical times. Last week we had the call of Jeremiah, and this week we have the vocation stories of Isaiah and the apostle Peter. One might ask: "Why these guys? What was God thinking? But this is really nothing new for the God of surprises. Abraham is made a new father in his old age; slow-tongued Moses takes on Pharaoh, young shepherd David is chosen as king, and Saul the persecutor became Paul the apostle. It is clear that God does whatever God wills.

The characters that God has chosen throughout history to be instruments of justice, mercy, love and compassion have been brave, earthy individuals. We could be wrong to disqualify ourselves from ever being called by God to be his instruments. We may intellectually understand that God has chosen many people like

ourselves to be his workers; but too often it ends there... if spiritually we lower our heads, and leave it to others to follow God's call.

Having experienced the Lord's generosity in the extraordinary catch of fish, Peter is suddenly aware of his own weakness and unworthiness. He feels that he does not deserve such generosity from Jesus; but he goes on to discover that the Lord loves him and has a great purpose for his life in spite of his imperfections. From now on he will gather people into the net of God's kingdom. The Lord's purpose for us is not dependent on our worthiness. The Lord does not wait for us to be worthy before calling us to a share in his life-giving work in the world. Indeed, our very awareness of our unworthiness creates an opening for the Lord to work through us. The Lord cannot engage us in his service if we think of ourselves as complete or perfect.