

Entrance Antiphon

Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.

Cf. Ps 26: 8-9

Collect

O God, who have commanded us
to listen to your beloved Son,
be pleased, we pray,
to nourish us inwardly by your word,
that, with spiritual sight made pure,
we may rejoice to behold your glory.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

First reading

Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.'
When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he bound his son Isaac and put him on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.
But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.
The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self - it is the Lord who speaks - because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

Psalm

Psalm 115:10,15-19

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

I trusted, even when I said:
'I am sorely afflicted,'
O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful. **R**
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make;
I will call on the Lord's name. **R.**
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem. **R.**

Second reading

Romans 8:31-34

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When

God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us - he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

Gospel Acclamation

Mt17:5

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'
Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel

Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus: 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.
As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

Prayer over the Offerings

May this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray,
cleanse us of our faults
and sanctify your faithful in body and mind
for the celebration of the paschal festivities.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Mt 17: 5

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.

Sunday 11.15am Mass		
Introit		My heart declared to you: Your countenance have I sought; I shall ever seek your countenance, O Lord; do not turn your face from me.
Processional	229	Crown Him with many crowns
Offertory	361	Immortal, invisible
Communion Hymn	165	Be still for the presence of the Lord
	863	Calm me Lord
Recessional	280	Glory be to Jesus

Sunday Bulletin

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Meditation

Every year the first two Sundays of Lent present the whole gamut of human existence, the whole range of the history of salvation. On the first Sunday of Lent the temptation of Jesus recalls the temptation of every human being since the beginning. On this second Sunday of Lent the transfiguration of Jesus holds out the transformation in glory which is the goal of every human hope.

The hope remains as yet unfilled. It is too soon to set up tents. Jesus continues to remind his disciples that first the Son of Man

must suffer and be put to death. Only then will they begin to understand what "to rise from the dead" means.

We celebrate Lent caught in the tension between the images of the first and second Sundays, between temptation and transfiguration. Like Abraham, we must walk in faith through the trail, confident that the "sufferings of the present are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed in us" (Rm 8:18). For "what we shall later be has not yet come to light, but we know that when it comes to light we shall be like him for we shall see him as he is" (1 Jn 3:2)

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Notices

Way of Cross: ½ hr. before weekday Masses (not Thurs.)

Rosary: Saturdays 10.30pm

Confessions: Tuesdays 6pm
Saturdays 10.30am & 6pm

Adoration: Monday to Friday 6.30am to 7pm
1 hour before Masses on Saturday

Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday 7.30am
Saturdays 9.40am

Evening Prayer: Thursdays 6.30pm

Night Prayer: Thursdays 8.30pm

Housebound? Trudy Coker (See above)
To arrange communion visits

Coeliacs: Please speak to a member of the clergy
before Mass to arrange communion

Family Planning Nature's Way
Margaret Hammond: 07891 358 114
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Children
If restless: Mass screened live in Main Hall
To be accompanied to the toilet by a parent or guardian

Mass Times				
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 1st	2nd Sunday of Lent	Mass	8.00am	For the Parish Francois Provist & Marzena Olewczynska
		Mass-Polish	9.30 am	
		Solemn Mass	11.15am	
		Mass-Polish	3.00pm	
		Mass	6.00pm	
Mon 2nd		Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Melissa Jack Birthday Blessing Myra McGinlay RIP
Tue 3rd		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Karen Delaney Canon Michael Milton RIP
Wed 4th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Thanksgiving Mr. & Mrs. Gochcikwa
Thu 5th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	
Fri 6th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Thanks for birthday and gift of life Rev. Terence Friel RIP
Sat 7th		Mass Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	Jan Coker Birthday
Sun 8th	3rd Sunday of Lent	Mass	8.00am	Parish Intentions For the Diocese
		Mass-Polish	9.30am	
		Solemn Mass	11.15am	
		Mass-Polish	3.00pm	
		Mass	6.00pm	


Mass Intention Envelopes

At the back of the Church. Print details and post through Clergy House letter box.

Recommended offering for each Mass is £5.

Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for the Administrator's or Bishop's Intentions for the Parish or Diocese


Offertory: 22/02 £2482.50 Polish £1141.50 Station Mass £392.00



'Real' Coffee after Mass

ST VINCENT DE PAUL
February 22nd: £128.90
Donations: £ 281.00
Food Expenses: £216.26


Thank you all for your donations.



Youth

THE WAY OF JOY

Lenten Retreat for Young Adults
6-8th March (£60)
St. Michael's Centre, Tomintoul




Join the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia & other young adults of the Diocese for a weekend of reflection, prayer & fellowship. Don't miss it!

Registration Required.
dominican.sisters@dioceseofaberdeen.org

<http://nazareth.dioceseofaberdeen.org>
Diocesan youth website: latest news on events, pilgrimages, retreats and youth groups for teenagers.

ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP

(12-17's)



Friday

6.30 Departure for Station Mass
Contact: St. Andrew's Community

PLUSCARDEN ABBEY HOLY WEEK

1st to 6th April

The Abbot and monks of Pluscarden Abbey invite young people (aged 18-30) to celebrate the Liturgy with them from Wednesday of Holy Week until Easter.

If you are interested in joining the Pluscarden community in celebrating Easter, contact Fr Bede Kierney OSB by email at: guestmaster.pluscarden@gmail.com

Cathedral News

RITE OF INSCRIPTION
Children from the Cathedral & St. Joseph's will be putting themselves forward for the Sacrament of Confirmation with the Rite of Inscription at the 11:15 Mass.
During this they shall commit themselves to preparing for the Sacrament by prayer, study and good works.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION
We will have our usual monthly second collection for the building fund this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

SUNDAY COFFEE SHOP
'Real' Coffee, tea and cakes being sold from 9am to 5pm & after 6pm Mass for Building Fund.

"LIFE IN CHRIST"
Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa
The Magnificat Prayer Group invites you to a Lenten/Easter Retreat given by DVD in the Main Hall from 3rd March for 8 weeks from 7.45pm. All Welcome.

NETWORK
Tuesdays at 7.30pm Lower Hall
Discover your spiritual gifts, personal style, and God-given passion for serving in the body of Christ in this 6 week course.
Supper included. Please join us.

HEALING SERVICE
Healing Service will take place after the 7pm Mass on Thursday 5th March. Rosary, Praise and Healing Prayer. All are welcome.

FEAST OF ST JOHN OGILVIE
Tuesday 10th March is the 500th Anniversary of the martyrdom of St John Ogilvie. Leaflets are available at the back of the church for those who would like to pray a novena to St John in preparation for the feast.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DEACON JOHN FUTERS
Memorial Mass for Deacon John Futers is in the Cathedral on Thursday 12th March at 12:30pm. Deacon John was in our ordained diocese and worked in the Cathedral and at Our Lady of Aberdeen Parish. All are welcome to the memorial mass.

WEE BOX, BUT TWICE AS BIG
This Lent, SCIAF's WEE BOX appeal is helping women in Africa grow enough food for their children, and they're counting on your support. Your WEE BOXES could make twice the difference this year. All donations SCIAF receives by 17th May will be DOUBLED by the UK Government.

BOOKSHOP MANAGER
We are looking for a new volunteer Bookshop Manager. Applications with CV or queries to the Parish Manager.

SHORT TERM PLEDGE PRAYER FOR LENT
I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart, and with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating drink until Easter Sunday. Amen.

CATHEDRAL BOOKSHOP OPEN
Monday to Friday: 10.30 to 15.00; Saturdays to 13.00
Before and after each Mass

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LENTE STATION MASSES
You are invited to join us in celebrating Mass during the period of Lent and to join pilgrims from different parts of the city in gathering in one place to share in the Eucharist.
6.30pm Confessions
7.00pm Stations of the Cross
7.30pm Mass

Date	Venue
6th Mar.	St Columba's, Bridge of Don
13th Mar.	Our Lady of Aberdeen, Kincorth
20th Mar.	St Francis', Mannofield
27th Mar.	St Joseph's, Woodside

ACN MONTHLY PRAYER
Please join ACN in prayer this March and ask God to strengthen the Christians living in the Middle East who are suffering persecution because of their faith:
Heavenly Father, we ask that you sustain, comfort and heal the hearts of Christians in the Middle East who are living in fear of the Islamic State. We especially remember those in Iraq and Syria.
May we in Scotland be encouraged by their example and may we never take for granted the freedom we have to follow you.
Come Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of thy faithful and enkindle in them thy love and mercy.
Compassionate creator, please forgive those who persecute Christians, reach out to them with your grace and your love.
We ask all this through your Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

CATHOLIC SINGLES
Catholic Singles is an organization which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. For details www.catholicingles.org.uk or info@catholicingles.org.uk

'BUILDING THE CULTURE OF LIFE'
Sr. Andrea Fraile
The Newman Association has invited Sr. Andrea of the Sisters of the Gospel of Life will talk about the work of Cardinal Winning Pro-Life Initiative. All Welcome. Tea/coffee served. Minimum donation of £1.50.
Thursday 5th March at 7.30pm
Bishop's House, 3 Queen's Cross, Aberdeen

DAFFODIL TEA
This is scheduled for Saturday 7th March, Time: 10am-12noon. Tickets: £2.50. Venue: Northcote Lodge, 191 Craigton Road. All are invited!

URGENT NOTE TO CATHOLIC PARENTS
Aberdeen City Council will begin to deliver Catholic Education classes to all Catholic students from S1 to S5 in Secondary School from June.
For this to happen Catholic parents/carers should contact Mrs. Clara Bergeron, RCRE Development Officer ASAP on C.Bergeron@aberdeencity.gov.uk or 07805 768 183

Weekly Calendar	
Mon	Credo Community Meeting Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm. Contact: Fr Tomasz Klin SJ
Tue	Magnificat Prayer Group Main Hall after Mass Contact: Paul Akagwu 07574 103 852 St. Vincent de Paul Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray Cathedral Faith Formation Evening For those interested in learning more about the Faith or becoming Catholic Lower Hall after Mass Contact: Fr. Keith
Wed	Light Exercise Class for all Main Hall—10:00am Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3 021 851 laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk Seniors Club Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2 pm every 2 weeks Contact: Winnie on 01224 632 465. African Choir For Africans and anyone else. Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Kingsley Emeye 07956 039 763
Thu	Healing of Memories Prayer for the healing of painful memories of the past to bring peace to the present. Clergy House at 2.30pm (by appointment) Contact: Deacon Tony Legion of Mary Members serve the Church as needed Lower Hall at 5.30pm Contact: Nogie Osula nogisula@yahoo.com Flower Arrangers Contact: Pixie Mather 01224 321 953 Cenacolo Prayer Group Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996 liam.sharkey@fsmail.net 6pm Music Group Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: Margaret Spence mag.m.spencer@btinternet.com
Fri	Our Lady of Aberdeen Prayer Group Gentle prayer & praise Chapter Room from 1.30 - 2.30pm Contact: Teresa Coyne 07901 851 526 Altar Servers' Practice Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Andrzej Youth Group For teenagers between 11 & 17 Chapter Room & Clergy House 6.30 to 9pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community 07754 891 808 standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org
Sat	Church Cleaning Church at 10.30am Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154 African Choir As above Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm
Sun	11:15 Choir Leading the music for 11.15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: David & Liz Meiklejohn