Readings at Mass - 4th Sunday of Easter -

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 32: 5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made. alleluia.

First reading

Acts 2:14.36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22(23)

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

Alleluia!

The Lord is my shepherd;

there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures

where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me,

to revive my drooping spirit.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

Second reading

1 Peter 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his

wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn10:14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 10:1-10

Jesus said:

'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,

I am the gate of the sheepfold.

All others who have come

are thieves and brigands;

but the sheep took no notice of them.

I am the gate.

Anyone who enters through me will be safe:

he will go freely in and out

and be sure of finding pasture.

The thief comes

only to steal and kill and destroy.

so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

Sunday 11.15am Mass		
Entrance Hymn	105	Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord
Offertory	706	Walk with me, O my Lord
Communion		(Choir) The Lord's my Shepherd
	588	Regina caeli
Recessional	466	Loving shepherd of thy sheep

Sunday Bulletin

7th May 2017

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St. Mary's Cathedral 20 Huntly Street. Aberdeen AB10 1SH

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Our Lady of Aberdeen

This week, the first week of May and the month which the Church dedicates to the Blessed Virgin Mary, we welcome to the Cathedral the new statue of Our Lady of Aberdeen. This statue was commissioned by the Wellsprings of Hope Trust which every year organises the New Dawn Pilgrimage Conference in St Andrews (3rd to 7th July). The statue was sculpted in Mumbai, India and was blessed by Archbishop Cushley just prior to the New Dawn Conference last July. Last month, the statue was crowned by our own Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB.

Devotion to Our Lady of Aberdeen is centred on a statue made of wood in the Flemish style that dates from the late fifteenth century. This statue is now kept in the Church of Notre Dame de Finistère in Brussels, Belgium, and is known in that place as "Notre Dame du Bon Succès". It was hidden after the Scottish Reformation in 1560 for sixty-five years by the Gordon family of Huntly until it appeared in Brussels in 1625.

We pray that Our Lady will bless our parish and all those who come to ask for her intercession. Just as St John was privileged



to make a home for Mary after Our Lord on the Cross gave her to him, so may we too come to love Mary as our mother and be blessed by the graces she showers on us, on our parish and on our families.







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Notices

Monday – Saturday 6.00am-12 midnight Adoration:

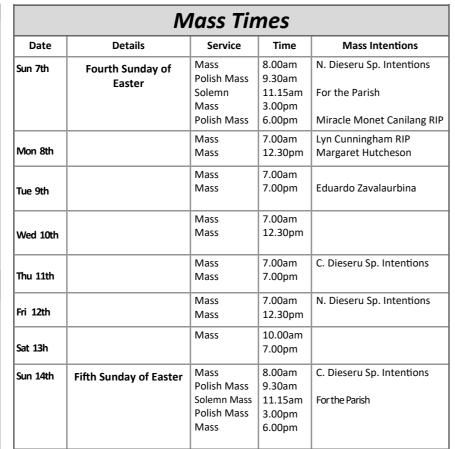
Confessions: Tuesdays 10.30am & 6pm Saturdays

7.30am Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday **Evening Prayer:** Thursdays 6.30pm **Night Prayer:** Thursdays 8.30pm Fridays (Vocations) 1.30pm Rosary:

Saturdays (Priests) 10.30pm Housebound? John MacKinnon (See above) for visits

Coeliacs: Speak to clergy before Mass Sunday Coffees: Ann Ryans 07545 615 198

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Mass Intention Envelopes

These are available at the back of the Church. Cathedral itself. Recommended offering for Print details and post through Clergy House each Mass is £5.

celebrated on your preferred date or at the for the Parish or Diocese.

Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for It may not always be possible for Mass to be the Administrator's or Bishop's Intentions

SVDP

OFFERTORY: £3187.62



Polish Collections: £96.45 Box Collections: Donation:

£191.83

£210.51 Expenditure: Our grateful thanks to all those who donate

money to our boxes, food and clothing. We are deeply grateful for all the help received.

Youth

FAITH & FUN ON SATURDAYS

Youth group for P2's to P7's In the Main Hall from KIDS4JESUS

12.30pm to 2pm every

Saturday afternoon. For more details and to register online please see our website.



Fridays 7pm to 9pm Upper Hall A youth group for teens aged 11-13 Contact: St. Andrew's Community

VENEZUELAN MEDICAL APPEAL

Appeal for your unused medicines (must be within the 'use by' date) for Venezuela.



FRIDAY YOUTH GROUPS

Please note that there will be no youth group meeting on Friday 12th May.

POWER OF GRACE TEEN RETREAT

Saturday June 10 from 11am to 6pm at Greyfriars' Convent, Elgin, IV30 1DA

Dominican.sisters@dioceseofaberdeen.org to sign up

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YOUR PERSONAL HOLY HOUR

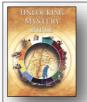
Give the Lord one hour each week any time between 6am to Midnight, Mon to Sat. To book your Holy Hour go to: https://stmarysadoration.youcanbook.me

BELL RINGERS

Interested in learning to ring the Cathedral bells? Join the St Mary's Band of Ringers. Call Robin at the office for more information.



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Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Experience the life-changing power of God's Word with this new Scripture Course.

Sundays until 11th June 7.30 to 9.00pm (after 6.00pm Mass) **Cathedral Main Hall**

Register on Cathedral website Registration fee: £20.00 (Concessions available)

CHILDREN AT 11.15 AM MASS

Children can get bored at Mass because they can't see what is going on so we would like to encourage all children of primary school age to sit in the front left rows of the church with the Catechists. Hopefully, both you and them should find it easier to engage with Mass.

CHILDREN'S MONTHLY MASS

On the first Sunday of each month, starting this Sunday, the 11.15 am Mass will be set aside as a Children's Mass.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

To mark the World Day of Prayer for Vocations there will be a second collection this Sunday

PETER, CORNERSTONE OF CATHOLICISM

Join us, 'The Beloved Disciples Group' aa on a journey into the life of one of history's most compelling characters. Cathedral house after the Wednesday lunch time Mass.

Life in the Spirit Seminars

Organised by the prayer Group of the Magnificat. Every Tuesday starting Life in the from 9th May to 20th June, 2017. Time: 7.30 pm - 9.00pm Venue: Main Hall

Come and be blessed by different speakers and be refreshed through the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Воок Ѕнор

Book of the Month: St Joseph's Prayers and Devotions (Explains the origins of devotion to St Joseph and our iourney of faith).

Our Lady of Aberdeen rosaries just arrived, Also, lovely leather rosary pouches now on sale. Confirmation and Communion gifts, cards etc. New

Raffle tickets for special Book Shop Easter candle! Large selection of children's religious books for all ages. Book shop open after every Mass

"Pray for each other so that you may be healed" (James 5:16) Trained prayer teams are now available after the 11.15am and 6pm Masses to pray with anyone who would like to receive, not only the benefit of prayer, but of hearing and experiencing the prayer. This can be a moment of profound encounter with God

"BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT"

Weekend of Renewal led by Fr Pat Collins CM. St Mary's Cathedral: Friday May 19 from 7pm to 9pm; Saturday May 20 from 10.45 to 4.30pm and Sunday 21 May, 11.15am Mass

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Aberdeen Newman Circle Annual General Meeting

Monday May 8 at 7.30 pm in the Bishop's House, Queen's Cross, Aberdeen (for the last time!)

For presentation of accounts, review of the past year, appointment of committee and brief discussion on future of the Circle. Coffee and cake will be provided. Any suggestions for future programmes will be gratefully received.

HARDING CHORUS

World renowned Acapella Choir will be providing free concerts of spirituals, classics, folk and other choral pieces. Friday 26th May at 7.30pm in St Mark's Church, Rosemount Viaduct and Saturday 7th in the Church of Christ, 393 George Street, Voluntary donations accepted for CLAN Cancer Support and UK Sepsis Trust

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN

You are invited to join us for a Day of Thanksgiving at Carfin on Sunday 28th May. Coach leaves St Columba's Bridge of Don at 9am and Union Street opposite the Court House at 9.20-30am.

Pilgrimage will include Holy Mass 3pm and Rosary Procession/Benediction 4.45pm. Coach will be leaving for home return at 5.30pm.

Further details available from 07969504187 or Ikenna 07947757955. The cost will only be £15 per person if we can fill the bus so please do come.

PLUSCARDEN LECTURES

GNOSIS AND THE THEOCRATS FROM MARS Four talks by Dr Francesca Murphy. A series of public lectures to be given at Pluscarden Abbey Elgin. 6th—8th June 2017. To register for the talks email guestmaster@pluscardenabbey.org

THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Roy Schoeman explores salvation history; the Old Testament & Judaism as 'preparation' with Jesus and the Church as 'fulfilment'

23rd-25th June at Craig Lodge Family House of Prayer, Dalmally, Argyll, PA33 1AR

To book your place either call (0) 1838 200 216 or Email: mail@craiglodge.org

BISHOP'S GOLDEN JUBILEE TROPHY

This year, with the agreement of the golfers, we will return to Duff House Royal Golf Club, Banff for the popular Diocesan Golf Outing on Friday 30th June 2017The cost will be £46 to include one round of golf and a two-course meal.

As well as the trophy there will be various other prizes. We need sponsors for the prizes.

Parishes are encouraged to enter more than one team if they so wish

A deposit of £10 per head (£30 per team) is required before 30th May 2017. Please send in details of your team. It would help catering arrangements if you would also let us know of any non-player accompanying your team who wil require a meal (£15 each).

MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

An opportunity for young, Catholic men, aged 18-35, to discover at first hand what monastic life is about. Interested? Contact Fr Benedict Hardy OSB: novicemaster@pluscardenabbey.org or call 01343 890 257

Weekly Calendar

Mon Mother & Toddler Group

For parents with young children. All ages welcome. Main Hall from 1pm-3 pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou chou.turvey@gmail.com

Credo Community Meeting

Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm . Contact: Klaudiusz Mozolewski 07928323313

Tue | Magnificat Prayer Group

7.30pm in the Lower Hall after Mass. Contact: Paul Akagwu pakagwu@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul

Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray

Adult Confirmation Class & RCIA Cathedral House at 7.30pm Contact: Fr Keith

Light Exercise Class for all Main Hall at 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: Jean on 01569 765 799

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

Lower Hall from 6pm to 7.30pm Contact: Nogie Osula nogisula@yahoo.com **African Choir**

Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549

Cenacolo Prayer Group Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions

Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996

For Africans and anyone else.

Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm

liam.sharkey@fsmail.net **Band Practice**

Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: John Costaschuk

Fri | Altar Servers' Practice

Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Simon begbie_no1@hotmail.com

Youth Groups For teenagers between 11 & 17 Upper Hall 7pm to 9pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community

Church Cleaning Church at 10.30am Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154

Parenting Class Clergy House after 10am Mass

K4J (Kids for Jesus) Youth group for P2's to P7's in the Main

Hall from 12.30pm to 2pm **Saturday Club**

nformal social gathering, includes prayer Main Hall from 4pm to 7pm Contact:

African Choir (As above) Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm

Choir Rehearsal

Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.15am Contact: Shelagh Noden

Main Hall after 6.00pm