

Entrance Antiphon
Cf. Is 48: 20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Collect
Grant, almighty God,
that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy,
which we keep in honour of the risen Lord,
and that what we relive in remembrance
we may always hold to in what we do.
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
Acts 8:5-8,14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.
When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 65:1-7,16,20

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.
Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: ‘How tremendous your deeds! *R.*
‘Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!’
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. *R.*
He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. *R.*
Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. *R.*

Second reading
1 Peter 3:15-18

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.
Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Gospel Acclamation
Jn14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus said: ‘If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him.’
Alleluia!

Gospel
John 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:
‘If you love me you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth
whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;
but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.
I will not leave you orphans;
I will come back to you.
In a short time the world will no longer see me;
but you will see me,
because I live and you will live.
On that day you will understand that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.
Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;
and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him.’

Prayer over the Offerings
May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord,
together with the sacrificial offerings,
so that, purified by your graciousness,
we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon
Jn 14: 15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion
Almighty ever-living God,
who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ,
increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament

Sunday 11.15am Mass		
Entrance Hymn	105	Alleluia, give thanks
Offertory		Instrumental
Communion	635	Sweet Sacrament divine
	588	Regina caeli
Recessional	549	O purest of creatures

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Jesus asks his Father for another Paraclete, who will remain with us and help keep the memory of Jesus alive. Paraclete is a term which comes from the Greek and signifies a legal advocate, one who speaks for us. It is only the loving acceptance of this Spirit of truth which allows us to love someone whom we know not by sight but through testimony of others. The Spirit of truth is the Church’s creative memory. It enables us to enter into the mystery of Christ. Thus the Church takes part in the vital communion of Father and Son. This same Spirit inspires us to love Jesus, “in deed and in truth and not merely talk about it” (1 John 3:18). The love of a Christian for the Master is not satisfied with words. The scriptures attest to the indissoluble bond between knowledge and moral life. To say that we know Christ without keeping his commandments is a lie. On the contrary “whoever keeps his word, truly has the love of God been made perfect in him” (1 John 2:5). By living as Jesus lived, we already pass with him from death to life.

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Notices		
Adoration:	Monday– Saturday	6.00am-12 midnight
Confessions:	Tuesdays Saturdays	6pm 10.30am & 6pm
Morning Prayer:	Monday - Friday	7.30am
Evening Prayer:	Thursdays	6.30pm
Night Prayer:	Thursdays	8.30pm
Rosary:	Fridays (Vocations) Saturdays (Priests)	1.30pm 10.30pm
Housebound?	John MacKinnon (See above) for visits	
Coeliacs:	Speak to clergy before Mass	
Sunday Coffees:	Ann Ryans 07545 615 198 annryans@aol.com	
Natural Family Planning (NFP)	Margaret Hammond nfp@cathedral-abdn.org	

Mass Times				
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 21st	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Safe & easy childbirth for a sister Parish Intentions
Mon 22nd	Saint Rita of Cascia	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	
Tue 23rd		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Lizzie Bennot
Wed 24th		Mass Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm 7.00pm	
Thu 25th	The Ascension	Mass Solemn Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Divine protection & family peace Jerzy Olewczynski RIP
Fri 26th	Saint Philip Neri, Priest	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	
Sat 27th		Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	Alberto De Souza RIP Alberto De Souza RIP
Sun 28th	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Safe & easy childbirth for a sister

Mass Intention Envelopes	
These are available at the back of the Church. Print details and post through Clergy House letter box. It may not always be possible for Mass to be celebrated on your preferred date or at the	Cathedral itself. 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: £1699.80	POLISH OFFERTORY: £1082.47
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Fair Trade tea,
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Youth

FAITH & FUN ON SATURDAYS
Youth group for P2's to P7's
In the Main Hall from
12.30pm to 2pm every
Saturday afternoon. For more details and to
register online please see our website.






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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 medi-
cines (must be within the 'use
by' date) for Venezuela.



SVdP
Polish Collection: £56.97
Box Collections: £208.85
Total: £265.82

Expenditure: Food £217.31

Our grateful thanks to all who help us in our
work financially and with donations.



POWER OF GRACE TEEN RETREAT
Saturday June 10 from 11am to 6pm at
Greyfriars' Convent, Elgin, IV30 1DA
Email:
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>

CATHEDRAL HEATING
Please be aware that due to the milder
weather during the summer months there will
be limited heating in the Cathedral.

MORNING MASS
Please note that from Friday 26th May the
7am Mass will be discontinued until further
notice.

Please take me home

Cathedral	
BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS Congratulations to Lilly Czerniakowska, Jamie Scott McPherson, Penelope Crawford and Kobichidi Maurice Ukoha who were baptised on the 13 th of May. Please remember them in your prayers.	
 CATHEDRAL ROSARY During May please Join us in saying the Rosary after Mass on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (After morning Mass and at approximately 8pm in the evening) & Fridays. Also on Saturdays after 10am Mass.	
CATHEDRAL CAR PARK The Cathedral car park will be closed next week to allow for a full inspection of the Cathedral roof	
DAY FOR LIFE COLLECTION There will be a second collection next week to support the church’ vital work in nurturing life from conception to natural death.	
PETER, CORNERSTONE OF CATHOLICISM Join us, ‘The Beloved Disciples Group’ on a journey into the life of one of history’s most compelling characters. Cathedral house after the Wednesday lunch time Mass.	
 SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION Thursday 25th May is the Solemnity of the Ascension and a holy day of obligation. There will be Sung Evening Prayer at 6:30pm followed by Mass at 7pm.	
CHURCH FOOTBALL TEAM The Cathedral is calling for young men of 17yrs and above to get in contact with the Church ‘Sports Department’ for inclusion in St Mary’s first football team. For details please contact Michael Lfe: 0748 2646 411 mife@globasure.net or Mark Robinson: robinson.markronald@gmail.com	
 Life in the Spirit Seminars Organised by the prayer Group of the Magnificat. Every Tuesday until 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.	
BOOK SHOP A great selection of books now in the shop. Benedict XVI Last Testament in his own words Pope St John Paul—In God’s Hands—Spiritual Diaries Reason to Believe—Abortion—Marriage Annulment—Contraception and Chastity 25 tough questions on the Catholic faith 20 answers Divorce and Remarriage 20 answers Abortion Divine Mercy Prayer book Divorce Explanations Living with Illness and Suffering Contraception and Chastity The Word of the Lord —Discovering Verbum Domini The Inspiration of Truth of Sacred Scripture—the Word that comes from God and Speak O God for the Salvation of the World Simple Prayer Book Theology of the Body	
Selection of cards and gifts for Confirmation Opening hours of shop 1 hour after every Mass Remember to pick up your Herald and Observer	
Anyone interested in going to Medjugorje please leave your name and telephone number in the shop.	

Sunday 21st May, 2017



There will be a Bake sale this weekend to raise money for this year’s St Andrew Youth Pilgrimage to Fatima.

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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 Kathleen 07969504187 or Ikenna 07947757955. The cost will only be £15 per person if we can fill the bus so please do come.	
ANNUAL CORRYMEELA COFFEE MORNING Sat 3rd June—10am to noon with stalls. Adults £2.00—Children £1.00. Tickets available from office. Contact: Rosie Leavett, tel: 01651 851438 or email: rjleavett3@btinternet.com	
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	
MASS & HEALING SERVICE Mass & Healing Service with Exposition, Rosary and Music at St Columba’s, Bridge of Don on June 8th from 7.00pm to 9.00pm.	
PLUSCARDEN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE, SUNDAY 25TH JUNE The knights of St Columba (KSC) are running a coach from Aberdeen for anyone wishing to attend. The cost is £15 for Adults, £40 for a Family (max 2 adults and 2 children), OAP’s and children (under 12 years) £12. Pick up’s at St Peter’s, Cathedral and St Josephs. For details see notice board.	
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 30 th June 2017The cost will be £46 to include one round of golf and a two-course meal. See notice board for further details.	
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
Wed	Light Exercise Class for all Main Hall at 10:00am Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3021 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 For Africans and anyone else. Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549
Thu	Cenacolo Prayer Group Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with additions Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996 Band Practice Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: John Costaschuk Cathedral Choir practice 7pm in the Lower Hall
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
Sat	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 Informal social gathering, includes prayer Main Hall from 4pm to 7pm Contact: African Choir (As above) Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm
Sun	Choir Rehearsal Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.15am Contact: Shelagh Noden Alpha Main Hall after 6.00pm