

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 85: 3, 5**

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.  
O Lord, you are good and forgiving,  
full of mercy to all who call to you.

**Collect**

God of might, giver of every good gift,  
put into our hearts the love of your name,  
so that, by deepening our sense of reverence,  
you may nurture in us what is good  
and, by your watchful care,  
keep safe what you have nurtured.  
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**

**Jeremiah 20:7-9**

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be  
seduced;  
you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.  
I am a daily laughing-stock,  
everybody’s butt.  
Each time I speak the word, I have to howl  
and proclaim: ‘Violence and ruin!’  
The word of the Lord has meant for me  
insult, derision, all day long.  
I used to say, ‘I will not think about him,  
I will not speak in his name any more.’  
Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,  
imprisoned in my bones.  
The effort to restrain it wearied me,  
I could not bear it.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalms 62:2-6,8-9**

*For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.*

O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

So I will bless you all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

For you have been my help;  
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.  
My soul clings to you;  
your right hand holds me fast. **R.**

**Second reading**

**Romans 12:1-2**

Think of God’s mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg  
you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering  
your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God.  
Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world  
around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by  
your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of  
God and know what is good, what it is that God wants,  
what is the perfect thing to do.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**cf. Ep 1:17,18**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes of our mind,  
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Matthew 16:21-27**

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was  
destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the  
hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put  
to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking  
him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. ‘Heaven  
preserve you, Lord;’ he said ‘this must not happen to you.’  
But he turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan!  
You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think  
is not God’s way but man’s.’  
Then Jesus said to his disciples, ‘If anyone wants to be a  
follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his  
cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life  
will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will  
find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole  
world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in  
exchange for his life?  
‘For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his  
Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward  
each one according to his behaviour.’

**Communion Antiphon**

**Ps 30: 20**

How great is the goodness, Lord,  
that you keep for those who fear you.

Sunday 11.15am Mass		
Entrance Hymn	333	Holy God, we praise thy name
Offertory	376	Here I am, Lord
Communion	500	(Choir) Christ be near at either hand
Marian antiphon	597	Salve, Regina
Recessional	194	Christ be beside me



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### Meditation

In the narrative of the profession of faith at Caesarea Philippi, the principal figure is Peter rather than Jesus. The next episode in the gospel confirms this impression. Just as we were impressed with Peter’s walk on the water, here we are equally impressed by the juxtaposition of his faith with his lack of faith. Peter has just acknowledged Jesus as the Messiah. But he sees messiahship as the glory of a royal triumph. The master however presents himself as the suffering servant of Isaiah who will redeem his people through his passion, death, and resurrection. The disciples understand what it means to be put to death, but they do not comprehend the meaning of “raised up”. Therefore, the impulsive Peter, brought to this point by his unenlightened love, revolts against the apparent cruelty of the divine plan. Suddenly, he reverses the position. He to whom Jesus has just said: “Happy are you” after his profession of faith, is now chided sharply: “Get out of my sight, you Satan!” The “Rock” who was strong enough to have the Church built upon him is now the



“For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?”

obstacle, the “rock of scandal” along the Messiah’s route. Jesus had said: “It is my Father in heaven who has revealed this to you,” and now he affirms: “You are not judging by God’s standards.” “Get out of my sight” may be interpreted by each Christian as “Go behind me to follow me. You are a disciple and every disciple and every disciple must follow the master.” The Christian can no more escape the cross of salvation than could the Christ. Truly God’s standards are not ours.

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

Mass Times				
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 3rd	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	8.00am	Birthday Thanksgiving
		Polish Mass	9.30am	Parish Intentions
		Mass	11.15am	
		Polish Mass	3.00pm	
		Mass	6.00pm	
Mon 4th		Mass	12.30pm	Jason Perez Lopez Campbell RIP
Tue 5th		Mass	7.00pm	For sale of house and new home JR
Wed 6th		Mass	12.30pm	Tony Romaeo
Thu 7th		Mass	7.00pm	Mrs Clare Rowe
Fri 8th	Feast of the Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary	Mass	12.30pm	Intentions and Thanksgiving
		Mass	6.30pm	Mr & Mrs Mathews
Sat 9th		Mass	10.00am	Private Intention
		Vigil Mass	7.00pm	Private Intention
Sun 10th	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	8.00am	Parish Intentions
		Polish Mass	9.30am	Intentions of the Diocese
		Mass	11.15am	
		Polish Mass	3.00pm	
		Mass	6.00pm	Marina Pinto RIP
Mass Intention Envelopes				
These are available at the back of the Church. Print details and post through Clergy House letter box.		Cathedral itself. Recommended offering for each Mass is £5.		
It may not always be possible for Mass to be celebrated on your preferred date or at the		Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for the Administrator’s or Bishop’s Intentions for the Parish or Diocese.		

OFFERTORY: £2591.53



Youth	
<b>FAITH &amp; FUN ON SATURDAYS</b>	
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.	



There will be a Bake Sale next weekend to raise funds for our Cathedral youth activities.

Cathedral	
<b>SUNDAY PRAYER MINISTRY</b>	
Sunday Prayer Ministry takes place after 11.15am/6.00pm Mass, to the side of the Patrons Altar. If you require prayer for yourself, a family member, or friend, please feel free to make yourself known to the team.	

SVdP	
Income	
Polish Collection	£ 19.52
Box Collection	£156.09
Anon	£ 10.00
Total	£ 185.61
Food Purchase	£943.09
Our grateful thanks to all who contribute to our work. Your donations are very much appreciated.	

Cathedral	
<b>CATENIAN ROSARY GROUP</b>	
The group is now focusing on sending white plastic rosaries to prisoners where there is an urgent need. Rosaries , especially white plastic rosaries can be sent to Michael Blackburn, 164 Green Park Rd., Halifax HX3 OSP. Any queries 'phone 01422 352559 or email: michael@jjbr.co.uk	
<b>BELOVED DISCIPLES</b>	
Pope Francis calls us to discover the Joy of Discipleship. Find out more about your faith in a supportive and friendly environment. Gain the tools needed to be an effective disciple. The Group has gained many insights from the various courses we have followed so far. We are now about to begin studying the Gospel of Matthew (this year the Church takes its Gospel readings from Matthew). We would love you to join us on Wednesdays in the Cathedral House after 12:30 Mass. Please come along! You will be made very welcome! Kevin O'Carroll	
<b>CHILDREN AT 11.15 AM MASS</b>	
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.	

Please take me home

Cathedral	
<b>Your Greatest Adventure!</b> Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore faith, life and God in a relaxed open environment. Engage your friends in conversations about the big questions of life. When? Starts Sunday 1 October at 7.15pm. Where? St Mary’s Cathedral. Who? Anyone, any faith or none. All welcome. You can register for these Alpha sessions on the Cathedral website: <a href="http://www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org">www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org</a> <b>? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?</b>	
<b>CHILDREN’S MONTHLY MASS</b> On the first Sunday of each month the 11.15 am Mass will be set aside as a Children’s Mass.	
<b>SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS</b> There will be a second collection today in support of priests who are incapacitated by sickness or old age.	
<b>BAPTISMS</b> Congratulations to Ayomiposi Emmanuel Onasanya, Nnanyelugo Joachim Obiwulu and Aiofe Rose Griffin who were Baptised last Saturday. Please remember them in your prayers.	
<b>COUNTERS REQUIRED</b> Do you know what the “counters” do at the Cathedral? Would you be interested in getting involved as a volunteer counter? We have a need for some willing volunteers each Monday late afternoon. If you are interested please speak to Fr Keith or contact Robin at the Cathedral office or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:manager@cathedral-abdn.org">manager@cathedral-abdn.org</a>	
<b>7AM MORNING MASS</b> Please note that as from Monday 11th September a 7am morning Mass will be celebrated on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of each week.	
<b>CONFIRMATION CLASSES 2017 (P7-S4)</b> These classes begin on Friday, 15th September so Registration begins now. Please sign up online through the Cathedral website: <a href="http://www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org">www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org</a> The Confirmation Classes for this session will begin with a Parents’ Meeting at 5.30pm followed by class from 6.00-7.00pm then Youth Group from 7.00-9pm. Attendance at both Classes and Youth Group is mandatory. Please register on line ASAP Any queries to:- <a href="mailto:ruthpaterson@hotmail.com">ruthpaterson@hotmail.com</a>	
<b>SPUC SCOTLAND</b> A SPUC Petition is available at the back of the church to oppose the campaign to extend abortion. Please sign the Petition to help mobilise opposition to this threat to future generations of children.	
<b>BOOK SHOP</b> 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 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 Opening hours of shop 1 hour after every Mass Remember to pick up your Herald and Observer.	

Sunday 3rd September, 2017

Deanery & Diocese	
<b>STELLA MARIS MASS</b> Bishop Stephen Robson will celebrate Mass in the Cathedral on Thursday 7th September at 7.00pm. Join us to pray for seafarers and for the Apostleship of the Sea ministry. Refreshments will be served in the Main Hall after Mass. <i>Our Lady Star of the Sea, Stella Maris, pray for seafarers and fishers; pray for us.</i>	
<b>CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR PUPILS OF ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL SECONDARY SCHOOLS</b> Aberdeen City Council is continuing its programme of Catholic Religious Education for pupils of its secondary schools in Session 2017-2018. Classes will begin in the week of Monday August 28th. Classes will meet from 4pm until 5pm. This year there is a choice of days and venues. Classes for First and Second Year pupils will meet in Harlaw Academy on Mondays and St Machar Academy on Wednesdays. Classes for Third and Fourth Year pupils will meet in Harlaw Academy on Tuesdays and in St Machar Academy on Thursdays. An individual pupil will be able to choose to attend on the day and at the venue which suits she or he best. For further details and to register please go to <a href="http://www.abernet.org/rcree/">www.abernet.org/rcree/</a> or telephone Mr Charlie Love on 01224 522287.	
<b>BIRTHDAY BOUQUET OF 1000 HAIL MARY’S</b> For the Feast of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary on the 8 September from 5.00pm to 10.00pm at St Columba’s Church, Bridge of Don.	
<b>NATIVITY OF MOTHER MARY FEAST CELEBRATION</b> The Konkani speaking community celebrates the Nativity of Mother Mary feast on 9th September at 6.00pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church Mannofield, followed by showering of flowers and fellowship meal. If you would like to join and for more information, please contact Juliana D’costa on 01224905725 or 07919123510. Thanks.	
<b>CALLED &amp; GIFTED WORKSHOP</b> A charism discovery course led by Fr Gabor Czako at the Bishop’s House (14, The Chanonry, Aberdeen) on the 15th, 16th and 17th September. All enquiries to Fr Gabor, tel: 01224 621581 or email: <a href="mailto:immacu4@gmail.com">immacu4@gmail.com</a>	
<b>VENERABLE MARGARET SINCLAIR PILGRIMAGE 2017</b>  The National Pilgrimage for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday 17 September at 2pm (Mass 4.30pm: Preacher Fr Richard Reid CSSR), St Patrick’s Church, 5 South Gray’s Close, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1TQ.	
<b>RCIA</b> Do you feel that God is calling you to explore your faith? Have you thought about becoming a Catholic? Or, have you been baptised but not received the sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation? RCIA classes have started again and are on Tuesday nights at 7:45pm in the Clergy House.	

Weekly Calendar	
Mon	<b>Mother &amp; Toddler Group</b> For parents with young children. All ages welcome. Main Hall from 1pm-3 pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou <a href="mailto:chou.turvey@gmail.com">chou.turvey@gmail.com</a>  <b>Credo Community Meeting</b> Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm . Contact: Klaudiusz Mozolewski 07928323313
Tue	<b>Magnificat Prayer Group</b> 7.30pm in the Lower Hall after Mass. Contact: Stella Maria Onuoha 0744 9951 415 <a href="mailto:nesin@yahoo.com">nesin@yahoo.com</a>  <b>St. Vincent de Paul</b> Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray  <b>Adult Confirmation Class &amp; RCIA</b> Cathedral House at 7.30pm Contact: Fr Keith
Wed	<b>Light Exercise Class for all</b> Main Hall at 10:00am Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3 021 851 <a href="http://laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk">laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk</a>  <b>Seniors Club</b> Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2 pm every 2 weeks Contact: Jean on 01569 765 799  <b>Healing of Memories</b> 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  <b>Legion of Mary</b> Lower Hall from 6pm to 7.30pm Contact: Nogie Osula <a href="mailto:nogisula@yahoo.com">nogisula@yahoo.com</a>  <b>African Choir</b> For Africans and anyone else. Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549
Thu	<b>Cenacolo Prayer Group</b> Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996 <b>Band Practice</b> Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: John Costaschuk <b>Cathedral Choir practice</b> 7pm in the Ogilvie Centre
Fri	<b>Altar Servers’ Practice</b> Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Simon begbie_no1@hotmail.com  <b>Youth Groups</b> For teenagers between 11 & 17 Upper Hall 7pm to 9pm Contact: St. Andrew’s Community
Sat	<b>Church Cleaning</b> Church at 10.30am Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154  <b>Parenting Class</b> Clergy House after 10am Mass <b>K4J</b> (Kids for Jesus) Youth group for P2’s to P7’s in the Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2pm <b>Saturday Club</b> Informal social gathering, includes prayer Main Hall from 4pm to 7pm Contact: <b>African Choir</b> (As above) Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm
Sun	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: Shelagh Noden <b>Alpha</b> Main Hall after 6.00pm