Readings at Mass - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 118: 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

Collect

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance.

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

Ezekiel 33:7-9

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 94:1-2,6-9

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts.'

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us: for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' R.

Second reading

Romans 13:8-10

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn17:17

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

Prayer over the Offerings

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 41: 2-3

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Prayer after Communion

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Sunday 11.15am Mass					
Entrance Hymn	361	Immortal, invisible			
Offertory	234	Dear Lord and Father of mankind			
Communion		(Choir) Adoremus in aeternum Sanctissimum Sacramentum (Let us adore for ever the Most Holy Sacrament)			
Marian antiphon	597	Salve, Regina			
Recessional	586	Praise we our God with joy			

Sunday Bulletin

10th September 2017

• 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time •

Year A



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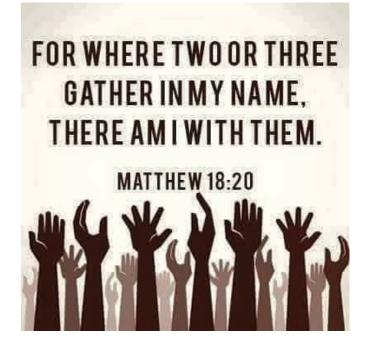
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Meditation

There is a proverb: "The one who loves greatly suffers greatly." Today's gospel deals with mutual correction, the most painful obligation of love. What attitude must a community take toward one of its own who acts against the mind of the Church? The early Church was small: It was quite conscious of its impact as a community on society. "Behold how they love one another," was often quoted of them. Ecclesial unity was seen to be an integral aspect of this love. The Church born from divine love had to be a united body of love where each would be responsible for the faith and holiness of the others.

What dimensions of Christian life gave rise to procedures for removing the roots of evil or misunderstanding among believers? In a wise progression, the Church utilizes prudence as well as patience. Because the Church always presumes that its members act under the impulse of the Spirit, each Christian stands under the obligation of mutual listening and dialogue. In effect, the community cannot carry on as an ordinary tribunal which seeks the confession of the one who fails and which condemns the act. The Church goes beyond justice and acts from mercy in the hope of absolving and



reconciling. Even if sinners persist in error, the Church prays for them.

Common prayer is a necessary aspect to the Church's communion. The effectiveness of prayer is determined by the harmony which reigns in the community because this harmony is a sign of Emmanuel interceding with the Church in its prayer. This justifies the Church's refusal to rush to anathema or excommunication and its conviction that responsibility toward one another is more powerful than resentment.

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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

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Mass Times Date Details Service Time Mass Intentions Mass 8.00am Parish Intentions Sun 10th Polish Mass 9 30am 23rd Sunday in Mass 11.15am Intentions of the Diocese **Ordinary Time** Polish Mass 3.00pm Maria Pinto RIP 6.00pm Mass Mass 7.00am John and Patricia Jennings Mon 11th 12.30pm For sale of house&new home. IR 7.00am William Gallie RIF Mass Tue 12th 12.30pm Bernadette Farrington RIP 12.30pm Lolita Schulze RIP Mass Wed 13th 7.00am Mrs M.J. RIP Mass The Exaltation of the Holy Thu 14th Holy Souls in Purgatory Cross—Feast 7.00pm 12.30pm Maria Pinto RIP Fri 15th Father Charles MacFaddeb RIP Mass 10.00am Saint Ninian, Bishop-Sat 16th Julia Z. Patroni Birthday remembrance Vigil Mass 7.00pm Feast 8.00am Intentions of Dominic Dieseru Mass Sun 17th Polish Mass 9.30am 24th Sunday in Intentions of the Diocese Mass 11.15am **Ordinary Time** 3.00pm Polish Mass Parish Intentions Mass 6.00pm

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.

It may not always be possible for Mass to be the Administrator's or Bishop's Intentions celebrated on your preferred date or at the

Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for for the Parish or Diocese

SPECIAL COLLECTION: Sick & Retired Priests £1123.70

Youth

LIFFTEEN & FDGE

Please note that Lifeteen and Edge youth groups start again this Friday (15th September) in the Upper Hall

FAITH & FUN ON SATURDAYS

OFFERTORY: £2754.28

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 this weekend to raise funds for our Cathedral youth activities

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SUNDAY PRAYER MINISTRY

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.

CATHEDRAL CHOIR

The 11.15am choir is looking for new members, especially altos, tenors and basses. We sing a wide range of music from Gregorian chant to Graham Kendrick. Please do consider joining us. Speak to a choir member after Mass or email: music@cathedral-abdn-org

SVDP

Income Polish Collection f 71.45 Box Collection f73.56 Total £145.01



Spend on Food £202.64

Our grateful thanks to all who contribute to our work. Your donations are very much

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CATENIAN ROSARY GROUP

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: . nichael@iibr.co.uk

BELOVED DISCIPLES

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

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.

Please take me home

Sunday 10th September, 2017

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Your Greatest Adventure!

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:

www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org ?????????????????

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ivv-Mary Chisom Emenike who was baptized on Saturday 2nd September.

7AM MORNING MASS

Please note that as from Monday 11th September a 7am morning Mass will be celebrated on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of each week.

COUNTERS REQUIRED

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 manager@cathedral-abdn.org

ABERDEEN DIOCESAN CHOIR

Rehearsals begin again on Tuesday 12 September at 7.30pm in the Upper Hall, St Mary's Cathedral. New nembers are most welcome (especially tenors and basses!) Further information available on ADC website and Facebook.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES 2017 (P7-S4)

These classes begin on Friday, 15th September so Registration begins now. Please sign up online through the Cathedral website:

www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org

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

Please register on line ASAP ruthpaterson@hotmail.com

Any queries to:-

SPUC SCOTLAND

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.

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 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.

CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP

A charism discovery course led by Fr Gabor Czako at the Bishop's House (14, The Chanonry, Aberdeen) or the 15th, 16th and 17th September. All enquiries to Fr tel: 01224 621581 or immacu4@gmail.com

VENERABLE MARGARET SINCLAIR PILGRIMAGE 2017

The National Pilgrimage for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday 17 September at 2pm (Mass 4.30pm: Preacher Fi Richard Reid CSSR), St Patrick's Church, 5 South Gray's Close, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1TQ.

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.

TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE

From September 27 to November 5, our community will take part in 40 Days for Life ... With God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city - and beyond. See www.40daysforlife.com/localcampaigns/aberdeen/ for more details

40 DAYS FOR LIFE (AUTUMN 2017)

A film "Bella" will be shown in the Cathedral Main Hall on Saturday 16th September at 4pm. There will be sandwiches and drinks available. Please come along with your family to watch this amazing story. Bella was listed by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops' Office for Film and Broadcasting on their list of the top ter films of 2007, noting that Bella presents an "affirmative pro-life message," along with "themes of selfforgiveness, reconciliation and redemption that should

"WAR ROOM" - FILM NIGHT

"War Room" - Film Night: Friday, 6 October 2017 starts 7.00pm, in the Clergy House. Free admission and popcorn. Film is 1 hr 55mins approx.; discussion afterwards (15 minutes). All welcome. RSVP by Tuesday 3 October 2017 contact: irmalallan@aol.com or phone 01224 869889

HMP Grampian Chaplaincy Vacancy

Vacancy for a practicing Catholic with experience of addiction issues, 6 hours (1 day) at HMP Grampian (Peterhead) chaplaincy. For further details contact Schnitker Deacon Harry by harry.schnitker@sps.pnn.gov.uk

VOLUNTEER HELPERS FOR LOURDES TRIP

Fancy volunteering taking a group of children/young people to Lourdes 1st to 8th April 2018 for a fun-filled week long life-changing pilgrimage holiday. HCPT Group 118 are seeking new volunteer helpers aged 18+. Come along to our meeting on Monday 11th September 7-8.30pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church Halls Deeside Gardens to hear more and meet some of the "purple family"!

If you cannot make this date, do get in touch by emai to group118@hcpt.org.uk or mobile 07859901723. To find out more about the charity www.hcpt.org.uk

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

Magnificat Prayer Group

7.30pm in the Lower Hall after Mass. Contact: Stella Maria Onuoha 0744 9951 415 nnesin@yahoo.com

Adult Confirmation Class & RCIA

St. Vincent de Paul

Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray

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

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

Cenacolo Prayer Group

Band Practice

Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996

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

7pm in the Ogilve Centre

Cathedral Choir practice

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

Parenting Class

Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154

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:

Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass

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

Choir Rehearsal

Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: Shelagh Noden

Main Hall after 6.00pm