

Readings at Mass - Divine Mercy Sunday - Year B

Entrance Antiphon 1 P 2:2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual; milk,  
That in him you may grow to salvation

First Reading Acts 4: 32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one  
claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they  
owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the  
Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who  
owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from  
them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any  
members who might be in need.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:2-4,15-18,22-24. R. v. 1

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:  
‘His love has no end.’  
Let the sons of Aaron say:  
‘His love has no end.’  
Let those who fear the Lord say:  
‘His love has no end.’ R

The Lord’s right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds.  
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,  
but not doomed to die. R

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes.  
This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad. R

Second Reading John 5: 1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ  
has been begotten by God;  
and whoever loves the Father that begot him  
loves the child whom he begets.  
We can be sure that we love God’s children  
if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us;  
this is what loving God is –  
keeping his commandments;  
and his commandments are not difficult,  
because anyone who has been begotten by God  
has already overcome the world;  
this is the victory over the world –  
our faith.  
Who can overcome the world?  
Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God:  
Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,  
not with water only,  
but with water and blood;  
with the Spirit as another witness –  
since the Spirit is the truth.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 20: 29

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Jesus said: ‘You believe because you can see me.  
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.’  
Alleluia!

Gospel John 20: 19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the  
doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for  
fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to  
them, ‘Peace be with you’, and showed them his hands and his  
side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord,  
and he said to them again, ‘Peace be with you.

‘As the Father sent me,  
so am I sending you.’  
After saying this he breathed on them and said:  
‘Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,  
they are forgiven;  
for those whose sins you retain,  
they are retained.’

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not  
with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, ‘We have  
seen the Lord’, he answered, ‘Unless I see the holes that the  
nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes  
they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse  
to believe.’ Eight days later the disciples were in the house again  
and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus  
came in and stood among them. ‘Peace be with you’ he said.  
Then he spoke to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here; look, here are  
my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no  
longer but believe.’ Thomas replied, ‘My Lord and my God!’  
Jesus said to him:

‘You believe because you can see me.  
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.’  
There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disci-  
ples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are rec-  
orded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of  
God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Jn 20-27

Bring your hands and feel the place of the nails,  
And do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
That our reception of the paschal Sacrament  
May have a continuing effect  
In our minds and hearts.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Sunday 11.15am Mass		
Entrance Hymn	105	Alleluia, give thanks
Offertory	498	Now the green blade riseth
Communion	287	Godhead here in hiding
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Recessional	469	Majesty

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explore  
Alpha @ the Cathedral

Beth’s Alpha Story

As a kid, I was really worried about fitting in  
and it became a common theme of my life. I  
was really worried whether I’d have the right  
clothes or haircut or bag. I loved to sing, I was  
part of a choir, but I started to think that  
maybe it wasn’t cool and it would stop me  
from making friends. So I quit, in the hope it  
would help me to fit in.

My best friend from school invited me along to  
Alpha, and I really wanted to know if I could  
experience what she had. She’d found security  
and identity and acceptance, I really wanted  
that for myself.

My parents don’t go to church, but I’d grown  
up in a faith school, so I’d never not believed in  
God, but I’d never grasped that it was  
something that could be relevant to my life.

I’d a vague idea of what Alpha would be like. I  
knew that we would have a meal, we would  
talk about faith, and discuss things and that I  
could ask questions.

By the third week of Alpha, my view of Jesus  
had completely changed. It blew my mind that  
I could be so accepted and loved! A peace  
came over me like I’ve never experienced. It  
gave me the information I needed to make an  
informed decision about what I thought about  
my faith, while giving me the space and  
freedom to ask questions about the things I  
didn’t understand or didn’t agree with.

Since trying Alpha, I’ve invited some of my  
friends to come along and try it for  
themselves. It’s a great opportunity to meet  
new people, to learn more and to just work  
out what you really think.

Knowing the love of Jesus and belonging to a  
church, helped me to get to grips with my faith  
really quickly and to start to explore what God  
wanted me to do with  
my life.



Beth, Swansea, Wales





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Notices		
Adoration:	Monday - Saturday	6.00am-12 midnight
Confessions:	Tuesdays	6.00pm
	Saturdays	10.30am & 6.00pm
Morning Prayer:	Monday - Friday	6.30am
Rosary:	Saturdays	10.30am (for Priests)
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>	
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Mass Times				
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 8th	Divine Mercy Sunday Second Sunday of Easter	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Cardinal Keith O'Brien RIP  Parish Intentions  Mrs M Joseph RIP
Mon 9th	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord	Mass Mass Sung Evening Prayer Mass	7.00am 12:30am 6.30pm 7.00pm	Thank God For His Blessings Mary Midgley RIP
Tue 10th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Ekwue Family Canon Bernard MacDonald RIP
Wed 11th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Joseph RIP William Robertson
Thu 12th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Thank God For All His Blessings Michael Chukele RIP
Fri 13th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Mr Paul Muoneke RIP Louise Hodoul RIP
Sat 14th		Mass Vigil Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	Fr Joe Portelli RIP Fr Patrick Rodrigues RIP
Sun 15th	Third Sunday of Easter	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Mrs Patricia Ligertwood RIP  Parish Intentions  Mrs M Joseph RIP
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: Due to the Easter holiday, the counting for last week is still in progress

### Cathedral

**SUNDAY 11.15AM MASS**  
**THIS WEEKEND WILL BE A CHILDREN'S MASS**



**BAKE SALE**



**This Sunday to raise money for Youth activities.**



**MAGIC DINNER - FUNDRAISING DINNER FOR THE YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE IN 2018**  
**Saturday 12th May**

Adults: £15 Children: £7 Families: £35  
Tickets from the Scaristry and Parish Office  
See details on the notice board and from:  
[standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org](mailto:standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org)

**SVDp**

Can Donation Savings Tin.....£9.07  
Polish Collection .....£52.88  
Donation Stonehaven.....£150.00  
Box Collections.....£297.14  
TOTAL.....£509.09  
Spend on Food.....£117.32

Our grateful thanks to all those who support our work. Many Thanks

**MASS OF THE ANNUNCIATION CELEBRATED ON MONDAY 9TH APRIL**  
The Annunciation has been deferred this year because it occurred on Good Friday.  
**There will be Sung Evening Prayer at 6 30pm before the evening Mass of the Annunciation 7.00pm.**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - THE KING OF PEACE**

Are you looking for a bit of peace? Come join Our Lord in Adoration. Our Lord, in the Eucharist is exposed to the public in the Adoration Chapel Mondays-Saturdays from 6.00am-12midnight. To sign up contact us at: [adoration@cathedral-abdn.org](mailto:adoration@cathedral-abdn.org).

**ROOF REPAIR WORK**

From 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018 work commences on roof repairs on all sides of the Cathedral. The work will last for up to 16 weeks and is likely to cause some disruption to Cathedral car parking. Please respect any restrictions or changes which might need to be made from time to time during the work period..

### Cathedral



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
This Sunday 8th April  
The celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday is an opportunity to reflect on the theme of how God’s mercy can overcome sin.

**COMMUNITY MEAL VOLUNTEERS WANTED**  
We need volunteers to help with the cooking of the Thursday community meals. If you would like to help, please contact St Andrew Community by email: [standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org](mailto:standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org)

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED TALK**  
**St Mary’s Cathedral Tuesday 24th April at 8.00pm**  
**‘It takes Courage to be a Christian in the Middle East’**  
Guest Speaker: Lorraine McMahon  
Exhibition: Syria’s Children Petition for Peace.

**READERS REQUIRED FOR 7PM VIGIL MASS**  
Do you attend the Vigil Mass regularly? Do you want to proclaim the word of God through this ministry of the Word? Please contact Irma Allan for an audition and brief interview.  
07714718708 or [irmalallan@gmail.com](mailto:irmalallan@gmail.com)

### Deanery & Diocese

**WORLD YOUTH DAY IN PANAMA CITY, 15 – 27<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2019**  
"The Mighty One has done great things for me" Luke.1:49  
Cost approximately £1300-£1500 for two weeks  
**INTERESTED?** Please Let me know by **31<sup>st</sup> April, 2018**  
Gaynoll Craig, WYD Co-ordinator 2019 , Tel: 01479 831681 or (m) 07544020709 or [gaynoll.craig@gmail.com](mailto:gaynoll.craig@gmail.com)



**TODAY, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, WOODSIDE ABERDEEN**  
Programme starts at 2.45pm and will include:  
• Blessing and veneration of the Divine Mercy image  
• Divine Mercy Chaplet and Praises  
• Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament  
Confessions during exposition.  
5.00pm—Bookstall and coffee/teas

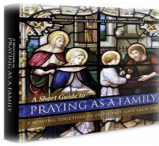
**BISHOP'S GOLDEN JUBILEE GOLF TROPHY**  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018 - from 12noon  
Kintore Golf Club AB51  
£40 to include one round of golf and High Tea.  
**A deposit of £10 per head (£30 per team) is required before 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Sponsors for prizes needed.**  
Details and registration form from:  
**JOYCE WEBSTER**, Tel: 01224 319154, email: [joye@rcd-abdn.org](mailto:joye@rcd-abdn.org)

**PLUSCARDEN ABBEY 2018 PENTECOST LECTURES 22ND - 24TH MAY**  
Four Talks by Fr. Richard Ounsworth O.P. - theme, "You have come to Mount Sion"  
"The Christian Pilgrimage in the Letter to the Hebrews"  
To register, book accommodation etc.. write to: Pentecost Lectures, Pluscarden Abbey, Elgin, Moray IV30 8UA or email [guestmaster@pluscardenabbey.org](mailto:guestmaster@pluscardenabbey.org)

**ROSARY ON THE COAST - ABERDEEN SUNDAY 29TH APRIL**  
From 3pm, on this afternoon many people will make a Pilgrimage to the coastline of Britain to pray the Holy Rosary for the re-flourishing of our Faith, for a culture of Life and for true peace across all nations.



**FREE TALK BY ALISON CAMERON OF CAMERON ARCHAEOLOGY LTD**  
"The Search for the Monastery of Deer"  
**Thursday 12th April 2018**  
Refreshments 1.30pm and talk at 2.00pm  
University of Aberdeen Chaplaincy  
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**FOSTERING THE GIFT OF FAMILY PRAYER**  
**Sunday, April 29, 2018 from 1:00 pm to 3:30 p.m.**

St. Francis Church, Mannofield 231 Deeside Gardens, Aberdeen AB15 7PR 01224 315 893  
Led by the Dominican Sisters, Greyfriars Convent, Elgin  
Families that pray together stay together.  
The whole family is invited for an afternoon gathering which will inspire and empower you to pray as a family.  
Following the 11:00 a.m. Mass, there will be a soup lunch provided for your family by the parish.  
This afternoon for the whole family includes:  
How to have a conversation with God,  
Creating sacred times and sacred spaces  
Praying with your spouse  
Activity-time for children  
We will pray the Rosary in union with "Rosary on the Coast" participants at the end.  
To register email [ogilvie@rcda.scot](mailto:ogilvie@rcda.scot).

Weekly Calendar	
Mon	<b>Mother &amp; Toddler Group</b> For parents with young children. All ages welcome. Main Hall from 13.30-15.30pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou 0745 5479 479  <b>Credo Community Meeting</b> Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm . Contact: Damian Gloc 07939418178
Tue	<b>Magnificat Prayer Group</b> 7.30pm in the Lower Hall after Mass. Contact: Stella Maria Onuoha 0744 9951 415 <a href="mailto:nnesin@yahoo.com">nnesin@yahoo.com</a>  <b>St. Vincent de Paul</b> Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray <a href="mailto:murray.evelyn@sky.com">murray.evelyn@sky.com</a>  <b>Maintenance to Mission</b> Discussing parish transformation 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="mailto:laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk">laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk</a>  <b>Beloved Disciples</b> Bible study and growing in faith Clergy House after 12:30 Mass. Contact: Kevin O'Carroll <a href="mailto:kevin.ocarroll@live.com">kevin.ocarroll@live.com</a>  <b>Seniors Club</b> Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2.00 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 6.00- 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> 7.00pm in the Ogilvie Centre
Fri	<b>Altar Servers' Practice</b> Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Simon <a href="mailto:begbie_no1@hotmail.com">begbie_no1@hotmail.com</a>  <b>Youth Groups</b> Edge (P7-S2) & Lifeteen (S3-S6) Hall 7.00pm to 9.00pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community
Sat	<b>Church Cleaning</b> Church at 10.30am  <b>K4J (Kids for Jesus)</b> Youth group for P2's to P7's in the Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2.00pm  <b>African Choir (As above)</b> Upper Hall from 6.00 - 8.00pm
Sun	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: Shelagh Noden