# Readings at Mass - 4th Sunday of Easter - Year B

### **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 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

# Responsorial Psalm Ps 117: 1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29. R. v.22

# The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men; it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. **R** 

I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. *R* 

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;
You are my God, I thank you.

My God, I praise you.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love has no end. *R* 

# **Second Reading**

1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

# Gospel Acclamation

Jn 10: 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: 11-18

### Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:
the good shepherd is one who lays down his
life for his sheep.
The hired man, since he is not the shepherd
and the sheep do not belong to him,
abandons the sheep and runs away
as soon as he sees a wolf coming,
and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;

this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. 'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me

and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd.

'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me;

I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down,

so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

# **Communion Antiphon**

The Good Shepherd has risen, Who laid down his life for his sheep And willingly died for his flock, alleluia

# **Prayer after Communion**

Look upon you flock, King shepherd,
And be pleased to settle In eternal pasture
The sheep you have redeemed
By the Precious Blood of your Son.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Sunday 11.15am Mass				
Entrance Hymn	156	Battle is o'er, hell's armies flee		
Offertory	656	The King of love my shepherd is		
Communion	Choir	Because the Lord is my shepherd		
Marian Antiphon	588	Regina caeli		
Recessional	466	Loving shepherd of thy sheep		

# Sunday Bulletin

22nd April 2018

4th Sunday of Easter

Year B



# St Mary's Cathedral



20 Huntly Street, Aberdeen AB10 1SH www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org

# I am the Good Sheepherd.

**Fr. Keith's Story** ... I never wanted to be a priest. I remember a priest speaking about vocations at a Mass in the Cathedral, asking young men to think about becoming priests. My internal response was, "No way!" He then asked for people to pray for vocations. That I was happy to do, but to be a priest, no thanks.

Fast-forward a number of years and my faith had changed. There was a before and after. Before: God was distant, uncaring and impotent; the time of miracles was long over. After: the opposite. I heard about the apparitions of Our Lady in Medjugorje. If it was true then that changed everything; then God was not distant but loves us, and that miracles still happened!

I read all I could on the subject and started trying to live out the message: Conversion, return to God. She wanted us to go to Mass, pray every day, read the bible each day, go to confession at least once a month and fast twice a week.

Eventually, after starting work as an engineer, I went on pilgrimage to Medjugorje. The result of that was a personal encounter with Jesus, something I never imagined possible for me. Instead of falling in love with Mary however, I fell in love with Jesus. In retrospect, that's not really surprising: Mary is always leading us to her Son.

From that time onwards life took on a new freshness, a new vitality. I continued trying to live the Blessed Mother's messages. About a month after the pilgrimage, whilst driving home from Sunday Mass, I was reflecting about life, the universe and everything. I was thinking about how long eternity is and how short this life, the blink of an eye in comparison. I wanted to go to heaven, no two ways about it. How could I ensure that would happen? Give my life to God. Do His will, as completely as I could. Live for Him. That would be the way.

The moment these thoughts entered my head, a sense of confirmation/affirmation flooded me in a way that I had never experienced before. It was as if God's Spirit was confirming in my spirit the decision I had made; He was giving His 'YES' to my 'yes'. An excitement filled me, a joy. I now had a direction and a purpose. I knew that I had to pursue this immediately otherwise I'd never follow it through. The thought of becoming a priest entered my head for a split second, but I quickly kicked it out: my image of priesthood was negative. I thought it better to be a monk or a religious brother, but not a priest!

I began an amazing journey that was one of the most exciting times of my life as I sought to discern my vocation. After four years I realised that what I had initially rejected out of hand was what God actually wanted me to do. The thing that I had dismissed was what would bring me the fullness of life: the priesthood.



WORLD DAY





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## Notices

Monday - Saturday 6.00am-12 midnight Adoration: 6.00pm Confessions: Tuesdays

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 annryans@aol.com

Natural Family Margaret Hammond Planning (NFP) <a href="mailto:nfp@cathedral-abdn.org">nfp@cathedral-abdn.org</a>

Mass Times						
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions		
Sun 22nd	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Dominic Dieseru - Thanksgiving Parish Intentions Benefactors of Suppl Aid Society		
Mon 23rd		Mass Mass	7.00am 12:30pm	Mrs Cristalin Isabel Pereira RIP Baboo Ram Paul RIP		
Tue 24th		Mass Communion Service	7.00am 7.00pm	Dom Francis Davidson OSB		
Wed 25th	St Mark Evangelist	Communion Service Communion Service	7.00am 12.30pm			
Thu 26th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Dominic Dieseru Benefactors of Suppl Aid Society		
Fri 27th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Intentions for Norway For Health and Work		
Sat 28th		Mass Vigil Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	Dom Francis Davidson OSB Catherine Docherty RIP		
Sun 29th	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Benefactors of Suppl Aid Society  Parish Intentions  Thanksgiving Agnieszka, Ba. St.		

### Mass Intention Envelopes

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

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

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

# OFFERTORY: £2,678.68

# **Cathedral**

# FUCHARISTIC 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.

# SUBSTITUTE FOR HOLY HOUR REQUIRED

A substitute is required for 10pm on: Monday 23rd and Monday 30th April.



"MAGIC DINNER" - FUNDRAISING DINNER FOR THE YOUTH PILGRIMAGE **TO FRANCE IN 2018** 

## Saturday 12th May

Adults: £15 Children: £7 Families: £35 Tickets from the Scaristy and Parish Office

See details on the notice board and from: standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn,org

# SVDP

Polish Collection ..... ..£82.55 Box Collections... TOTAL.

Spend on Food... ....£172.36

Our grateful thanks to all who support us. Your help is greatly appreciated.

# SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this

### NAME TAG SUNDAY 29th APRIL

the Welcome Table. Please Join in.

Since the downturn and with the multitude continued support.



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.

renovation of a pew? You may like to suggest the

name of a saint to be put on a plaque attached to the pew

Various options available to sponsor the renovation of a pew, contact Robin Harding for details: Tel: 01224 640160, manager@cathedral-abdn

Monday: 1.00 -2.00pm, Wednesday: 11.00am -2.00pm, Friday: 11.00am - 2.00pm Saturday: 11.00- 12.00am Sunday: 12.15 - 1.00pm and 7.15 - 8.00pm

Wonderful selection of sale books, only 50p each.

# Weekly Calendar

### Mon Mother & Toddler Group

welcome. Main Hall from 13.30-15.30pm

# Credo Community Meeting

Main Hall at 7 30nm Contact: Damian Gloc 07939418178

Contact: Stella Maria Onuoha 0744 9951 415 nnesin@yahoo.com

# St. Vincent de Paul

Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray

# Maintenance to Mission

Discussing parish transformation Cathedral House at 7.30pm Contact: Fr Keith

# Wed | Light Exercise Class for all

Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3 021 851 laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk

### **Seniors Club**

Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2.00 pm every 2 weeks Contact: Jean on 01569 765 799

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 6.00-8.00pm Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549

# Thu | Cenacolo Prayer Group

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** 7.00pm in the Ogilve Centre

Fri | Altar Servers' Practice Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm

### **Youth Groups**

Edge (P7-S2) & Lifeteen (S3-S6) Hall 7.00pm to 9.00pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community

# Church at 10.30am

Youth group for P2's to P7's in the Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2.00pm

Upper Hall from 6.00 - 8.00pm

Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: Shelagh Noden

Ever see a familiar face at the Cathedral and

# NO MORE SECOND COLLECTIONS!

of second collections, our normal offertory collections have plummeted. The parish is struggling to stay afloat. To relieve your burden of multiple collections we shall no longer have second collections for the rest of the financial year, starting next Sunday. The parish will still give the diocesan mandated collections on your behalf. Thank you for your generosity and

# ...£42.71 ..£125.26

Sunday to support the cost of training our

just can't remember their name? It happens to all of us! That is why next Sunday, we are having a another "Name Tag Sunday". Name tags will be available at

# Cathedral

# **PEW RENOVATION PROJECT**

Why not sponsor the

PANAMÁ 2019

### BOOK SHOP OPENING HOURS

# **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

# **NEWMAN GENERAL MEETING**

A General Meeting of the Aberdeen Newman Circle will be held on Monday 7th May at 7.30pm, in St Mary's House, 14 The Chanomry, Old Aberdeen. The meeting is being held to approve the accounts for the last year and to discuss the future of the Aberdeen Circle. For details contact Eileen Grant eclareg@btintermet.com

A NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH THE WORKER For those who are working and those who are unemployed and seeking work we shall be saying the following Novena after Mass this week until St Joseph's feast day on the 1st May.

St Joseph be always our protector, that your internal spirit of peace, silence, honest work, and prayer. in the service of the Church give us life and happiness in union with your blessed Spouse, our Sweet and Immaculate Mother. in the strong and mild love of Jesus, glorious and Immortal King

of the centuries and the people. All for Jesus, all through Mary, all after thy example, O Blessed Joseph

Such shall be my motto in life and in death. Amen.

ROSARY ON THE COAST - ABERDEEN SUNDAY 29TH APRIL Join us on Sunday 29th April at 3.00pm on the beach where the Beach Boulevard meets the Esplanade. We will pray the Holy Rosary for the re-flourishing of our Faith, for a culture of Life and for

# **HEAD TEACHER VACANCIES IN ABERDEEN**

true peace across all nations.

The Head Teacher posts at Holy Family and St Joseph's schools have not yet been filled. The Holy Family post has been advertised again with a closing date of April 29th. The St Joseph's post will be re-advertised shortly. Details on Aberdeen City Council website, MyJobScotland and johnpetermurray@hotmail.co.uk

# **EXHIBITION AT BLAIRS MUSEUM** The Grand Tour: The Eternal City. April-September, 2018

This year Blairs Museum is hosting an exquisite collection of 18<sup>th</sup> century Piranesi's prints from the Vedute di Roma on Joan from the Diocese of Aberdeen Opening times: Sat 10am-4.30pm, Sun noon-4.30pm

# "MEET THE MP'S" EVENT Saturday 28th April 2018 from 10.00am - 12.30pm

At Boys Brigade Headquarters, Crimon Place, Aberdeen, AB10 1RX Discover some of the things the Church is doing in your community to express the compassion and love of Jesus

# FOSTERING THE GIFT OF FAMILY PRAYER

Sunday, April 29, 2018 from 12:45 pm to 2:45 p.m.

St. Francis Church, Mannofield 231 Deeside Gardens, Aberdeen AB15 7PR, tel: 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 11.00am 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.

### SACRED HEART FORMER PUPILS

There will be a meeting of the association on Saturday 26th May at 2.00 pm at the Bishop's House, 14 The Chanonry, Old

For parents with young children. All ages Contact: Yi-pei Chou 0745 5479 479

Polish charismatic prayer group.

# Tue Magnificat Prayer Group 7.30pm in the Lower Hall after Mass.

murray.evelyn@sky.com

Main Hall at 10:00am

**Healing of Memories** Prayer for the healing of painful memories

Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions

Contact: Simon begbie no1@hotmail.com

Sat | Church Cleaning

K4J (Kids for Jesus)

African Choir (As above)

# Sun | Choir Rehearsal