You are just, O Lord, And your judgement is right; Treat your servant in accord With your merciful love.

First reading

Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.
Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming,
the retribution of God;
he is coming to save you.'
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
the ears of the deaf unsealed,
then the lame shall leap like a deer
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;
for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

**Responsorial Psalm** 

Psalm 145(146):7-10

# My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. *R* 

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R** 

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever,

Zion's God, from age to age. **R** 

# Second reading

James 2:1-5

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the

heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love

# **Gospel Acclamation**

1S3:9, Jn6:68

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

# **Communion Antiphon**

Cf. Ps 41:2-2

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul ia 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	584	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty		
Offertory	165	Be still, for the presence of the Lord		
Communion	Choir	Adoremus in aeternum		
Marian Antiphon	597	Salve, Regina		
Recessional	680	This day God gives me		





# St Mary's Cathedral



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

# Good News Weekly

# LOOKING FOR A MARRIAGE MADE IN HEAVEN?!

Doug & Tracy Wallace Testimony (Married for a year)

1. Question: Why did you decide to do the Marriage Course?

Answer: We are newly married and are still wearing the rose tinted glasses, but we are realistic and we realise it is not always going to be that way. We wanted to strengthen our foundation and really learn to communicate. We wanted to open our eyes to things that we might need to be dealing with.

2. Question: What was it like going through the marriage course?

Answer: It was wonderful! We really enjoyed having that marriage time and to really stop and to reflect on our marriage. It was amazing to just slow down and have a think about this.

3. Question: Can you point to the difference the course made in your life?

Answer: We talked about expressions of love. How we receive love, how we give love...I remember recognising that for my wife, kind words were big. I remember before we were married, we used to write letters to each other a lot and Tracy really liked that. Since the course, I have done a better



Doug & Tracy Wallace

job of giving my wife kind words. It helped me to remember to appreciate her, to tell her how beautiful she is, how much I love her.



" HEY, WAIT A MINUTE ! WHAT'S THIS ' FOR POORER ' STUFF ?!? "

The course starts on **Wednesday 19th September.** Register online at:

www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org/
marriage/marriage-course/

For more details contact: marriagecourse.st.mary@gmail.com







# Clergy & Religious

Administrator: Fr. Keith Herrera

01224 640 160

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Fr Emmet O'Dowd

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standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org Community:

# **Staff & Administration**

Office Hours: 9 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday

01224 640 160 Telephone: **Robin Harding** Manager:

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www.scottishcatholicsafeguarding.org.uk

Music Director: Shelagh Noden music@cathedral-abdn.org

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shop@cathedral-abdn.org

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Notices to be in by Tuesday evening

Hall Bookings: halls@cathedral-abdn.org

Call between 9am & 1pm only

Terms & Conditions see Parish website

# **Liturgical Ministries**

Head Sacristan: Jacqueline Armstrong

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# Notices

Adoration: Monday - Saturday 6.00am-12 midnight

**Confessions:** Tuesdays 6.00pm 10.30am & 6.00pm Saturdays

Rosarv: Saturdays 10.30am (for Priests) John MacKinnon (See above) for visits Housebound?

Speak to clergy before Mass Coeliacs: Sunday Coffees: Ann Ryans 07545 615 198

annryans@aol.com

Natural Family Margaret Hammond nfp@cathedral-abdn.org Planning (NFP)

Mass Times							
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions			
Sun 9th	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Polish Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Private Intention  Parish Intentions  Stewart Family			
Mon 10th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12:30pm	Ann Maria Malley Jar - Employment			
Tue 11th	Apostleship of the Sea	Mass Mass	7.00am 7:00pm	Jim Church Mrs M. Joseph RIP			
Wed 12th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Callanan Family			
Thu 13th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm				
Fri 14th	Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Wayne Whyte			
Sat 15th		Mass Vigil Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	Alistair Poole			
Sun 16th	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Juliana Opara RIP Intentions of the Parish Benefactors of the Suppl Aid Society			

# **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.

celebrated on your preferred date or at the

Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for It may not always be possible for Mass to be the Administrator's or Bishop's Intentions for the Parish or Diocese.

# OFFERTORY: £2.486.66

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40 DAYS FOR LIFE is a communitybased campaign that takes a determined, peaceful approach to the consequences of abortion

To find out how you can get involved please listen to the talk after Mass

# SUNDAY 11.15AM MASS CHOIR WORKSHOP

Sunday 16th September from 1.00pm -3.00pm New members wanted Join us after the

11.15am Mass for soup and sandwiches in the Main Hall and afterwards for the workshop in the Upper Hall. All welcome.

# **CONFIRMATION CLASS**

If you would like your child to attend this class. which will prepare them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the forthcoming session, then please complete the registration form on our website.

Class begins on Friday 28th September with a mandatory parents' meeting at 5.30pm in the Cathedral Lower Hall.

The Confirmation class will start after this meeting at 6.00pm. The class will finish at 7.00pm and will be followed by Youth Group from 7.00pm until 9.00pm. Attendance at both the class, the Youth Group and Sunday Mass is obligatory.

# SVDP INCOME

Polish Collection .....£72.45 Box Collections..... £117.81 Total...

..£190.26

Total Spend on Food....£121.13

Many thanks to all who donate to our work. Your kindness is really appreciated. Eve Murray

# HEALING SERVICE

The Healing Service will take place in the Cathedral on Thursday 13th September, after the 7pm Mass. All welcome.

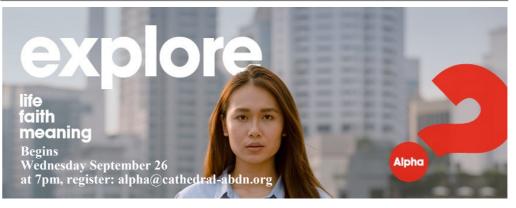


# **PEW RENOVATION PROJECT**

Why not sponsor the 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

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### FIRST AID

It would be reassuring to have a 'First Aider' present at each Mass. If you have appropriate medical training, please let us know which Mass you attend and send your contact details to: secretary@cathedral-abdn.org so we can compile a register.

On Saturday 8 September from 11am to 1pm a first aid course conducted by the British Red Cross will be held in the Main Hall. The course is open to all parishioners.

There is no charge for the course and those who complete it will receive a 'First Aid Learning' certificate

The Marriage Course is a series of seven sessions, designed for couples who are seeking to strengthen their relationship and build a strong marriage. The course bgins on Wednesday 19th September, and ends on 31st October. Register online at:

http://www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org/marriage/marriage-course/ For more details contact: marriagecourse.st.mary@gmail.com



# **Deanery & Diocese**

# MASS OF ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

Rt Rev Hugh Gilbert OSB Bishop of Aberdeen invites Clergy, Religious and Parishioners to The Mass of Ordination to the Diaconate of Domenic Nwaigwe, at St Mary's, Inverness on Friday 14th September 2018 at 6pm

Please be seated by 5.30pm RSVP St Mary's House, 14 Chanonry, Aberdeen AB24 1RP joyce@rcd-abdn.org

# BETHANY CHRISTIAN TRUST CELEBRATIONS

35 years of ending homelessness. A night of reflection, celebration vision. Tuesday 11th September at 7.30pm

Crown Terrace Methodist Church,

8 Crown Terrace, Aberdeen AB11 6HE Free tickets from Evenbrite or call 0131 561 8927

# KINNOULI WEEKEND

Renewal Weekend by Fr Chris Thomas

# Friday 19th to Sunday 21st October 2018 St. Mary's, Kinnoull, Perth

Fr Chris is a well-known author and speaker. This residential weekend starts with supper on Friday at 7pm and ends with lunch on Sunday. Telephone enquiries or bookings to Margaret on 01542 882116

# APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

Pray for seafarers and for the AOS ministry at the Stella Maris Mass celebrated by Bishop Stephen Robson on Tuesday 11th Sept at 7,00pm Refreshments will be served after Mass.

# THE BIG ISSUE

Volunteers wanted to help distribute the Big Issue from St Mark's church. Volunteers commit to one 2.5 hour shift per month. Details from Kathleen Innes at: kathleen.innes16@icloud.com (Tel 07799768629).

# **OGILVIE CENTRE FORMATION EVENTS 2018**

YOUTH MINISTERS' WEEKEND RETREAT Kilcoy Castle, Back Isle, 23-25 September 2018

CATECHIST AND FAITH FORMATORS RETREAT Pluscarden Abbey, Elgin, 29th September 2018

# WOMEN'S RETREAT

Kilcoy Castle, Black Isle, 9-11 November 2018

# MEN'S RETREAT

Kilcoy Castle, Black Isle, 23-25 November 2018

Details from Sr. Anna Christi at: ogilvie@rcda.scot

### ABERDEEN DIOCESAN CHOIR The new session has started.

Singers of all denominations are most welcome (especially Tenors and Basses!) The ability to sight sing is not essential. We specialise in the singing of

# Sacred Music for Diocesan events Please come along to rehearsals on Tuesday evenings 7.30pm

Upper Hall, St Mary's RC Cathedral, Huntly Street, Aberdeen AB10 1SH

Details: enquiriesADC@hotmail.com www.aberdeendiocesanchoir.com

### **ENCOUNTER CHRIST RETREATS FOR** YOUNG SINGLE WOMEN

The Dominican Sisters invite Catholic women between the ages of 18 and 35 to a peaceful and refreshing weekend away with Christ. The retreat is held on the weekends of 2-4 November and 22-24 March 2019 at Greyfriars Convent in Elgin. To sign up for one of these, please contact Sr. Mary Gianna, OP at op@rcda.scot. There is a £30 suggested donation.

# Weekly Calendar

# Mon Mother & Toddler Group

For parents with young children. All ages welcome. Main Hall from 13.30-15.30pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou 0745 5479 479

# Credo Community Meeting

Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm. Contact: Damian Gloc 07939418178

# **Magnificat Prayer Group**

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

### St. Vincent de Paul

Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray murray.evelyn@sky.com

# **Maintenance to Mission**

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

# Aberdeen Diocesan Choir

Upper Hall 7.30 - 9.00 pm, contact: Paula Silvester: enquiries ADC@hotmail.com

### Wed **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 2.00 pm every 2 weeks Contact: Jean 01569 765 799 **Healing of Memories** Prayer for the healing of painful memories

of the past to bring peace to the present.

# Contact Deacon: tony.schmitz@gmail.com

**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

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

# **Band Practice**

Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Contact: john.costaschuk@gmail.com

### Cathedral Choir Rehearsal for the 11:15 Sunday Mass 7.00pm in Ogilve Centre, contact Shelagh

Noden: music@cathedral-abdn.org Fri Altar Servers' Practice Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm

# Contact: Simon begbie no1@hotmail.com

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

# Sat | Voluntary Church Cleaning Church after morning rosary

K4J (Kids for Jesus) Youth group for P2's to P7's. Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2.00pm

### African Choir (As above) Upper Hall from 6.00 - 8.00pm

# Choir Rehearsal

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