

# St. Columba Catholic Church

25<sup>th</sup> March, 18' –Palm Sunday in year B

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by Wednesday please!

<b>18<sup>th</sup> March 2018</b>	
Church Collections	£ 464.88
Standing	£ 210 (weekly average)

Thank you all for your generous donations!!

## SACRAMENTS

<b>Baptisms</b>	Please give at least <b>2 months'</b> notice
<b>Marriages</b>	Please give at least <b>6 months'</b> notice
<b>Reconciliation/ Confession</b>	<b>Before</b> Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday Masses or by <b>appointment!</b>

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The month of March is dedicated to **St. Joseph**. "This patronage must be invoked as ever necessary for the Church, not only as a defence against all dangers, but also, and indeed primarily, as an impetus for her renewed commitment to evangelization in the world and to re-evangelization," wrote St. John Paul II in *Redemptoris Custos (Guardian of the Redeemer)*

**O Saint Joseph, hear my prayers and obtain my petitions!**

**DISABLED PARKING!** Please note we only have **2 parking space** in front of the Church entrance and 1 beside our building!



## MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

1st Catherine Brebner 6th Gladys Geddes 12th Anne Mutch 20th Leslie Cooke 20th Raymond Kelly 22nd Geoffrey Dinnage 27th Alfredo Marcella 29th Elizabeth Grant.. **May they rest in Peace, till we meet again!**

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND PLEASE PRAY FOR**  
ANGELA COX, MARGARET REED, JANET MORTIMER,  
PEARL MARCELLA, BRIDIE CRICHTON, JESSIE MORAN,

BILL GRANT, STUART WOOD, MARGARET MCGREGOR,  
MARY & SARAH WOOD, BETTY.

## EVENTS IN OUR PARISH

### SECOND COLLECTIONS

**BUILDING FUND – 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

**HOLY PLACES MAINTENANCE – 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

### FASTING SUGGESTION

**Fast from bitterness- feasts on forgiveness!**

**Fast from self-concern – feasts on compassion for others.**

**Fast from discouragement – feasts on hope!**

**Fast from lethargy- feasts on enthusiasm!**

### LENTEN PARISH FASTING & EXPOSITION



During Lent there will be no biscuits after Mass, but only tea & coffee and juice. Please offer up this little sacrifice for someone special. Also there will be exposition before Mass, so please keep silence before

Mass!

### EASTER EGG RAFFLE

will be on Easter Sunday (**1st of April**) after morning mass. All donations of Easter eggs will be received with grateful thanks. Tickets will be on sale in the foyer.



### EVENTS BEYOND OUR PARISH

#### NEW!! HOLY WEEK ECUMENICAL SERVICES

will be on the week beginning the **26<sup>th</sup> March**, at 7pm every day until Friday. St. Columba's Catholic Church will host it on Monday the **26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**. For further venues see notice board!

#### NEW! PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Cathedral, 7 pm on the **28<sup>th</sup> March**.



**Holy Thursday** –Mass at St. Columba's at 7pm

**Good Friday** – Service at St. Peter's at 3pm

**Easter Vigil** – Mass at St. Columba's at 7pm

**Easter Sunday** – Mass at 9.45am, no 6pm Mass

#### NEW!! SILENT WALK OF WITNESS WITH CROSS

**Good Friday** walk with the cross will start at the Cathedral at 6am and will head up to Kincorth Hill. Refreshments afterward at Our Lady of Aberdeen Catholic Church.

#### NEW!! ECUMENICAL WALK WITH THE CROSS

Will be on **Good Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March**, starting at St. Andrew's Cathedral at 11.30am, and will stop at 11.45am – 11.55am at St. Peter's Catholic Church. This an annual Ecumenical event, so please come along!



#### NEW!! DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

You are invited to St. Joseph's Church (Woodside) on the **8<sup>th</sup> April**

from 2.45pm for Blessing and Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image, Divine Mercy Chaplet and praises, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions.



## NEW! MASS AND HEALING SERVICE

Will be on the 5<sup>th</sup> April, St. Columba's, starting with 7pm Mass, followed by Exposition, Rosary and

Healing prayers. Jesus heals today spiritual, emotionally and physically, and gives mental and physical strength to cope! You are welcome if you or a loved one needs healing or if you want to pray for those who are sick.

## NEW! CITY WIDE GATHERING

of those who have done the **CALLED AND GIFTED** charism discernment, to support each other on an ongoing basis with regards to our charism discernment and to give testimony, 27<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm, St. Columba's.

## NEW! DIOCESAN GOLD OUTING

29<sup>th</sup> June, Newmachar Golf Course. Speak to Stuart Wood if you wish to join our parish teams! Deadline for joining is 27<sup>th</sup> May!

**Church toilets will be out of order: females between 2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> April; Male toilets 16-23 April!**

## Masses

Sunday 09.45am for parish & 6pm  
Wednesday 10.00am For parishioners intentions  
Saturday 10.00am For Parishioners intentions

**Confessions are held before Masses or by appointment!**

### Sunday Servers 9.45am

#### Readers

Charles I/ Ezinne I/ Gavin M

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Kathleen W/ Melvina (please flush chalices as well!)

Sun L/ Mary McF

Paten – Doug

#### Welcomers

Elida & Dave

(Please be there at least 30 minutes before Mass)

#### Prayer Ministry for healing after Mass

Doug/ Mary McF

#### Hospitality

Ann B/ Elida

#### Juice table for kids

Nneka Omu

**Those on rota are kindly reminded to get a replacement in advance if you can't do your rota on a certain week!**

**Thank you!**

### Parish Groups (every week)

Monday 18.30 Youth Group (Speak to Catherine Lee)  
Tuesday 10.00 Mothers Prayers (Speak to Jane Stuart)  
Tuesday 19.00 House of Bread Prayer Group (Just join)  
Wednesday 18.00 Legion of Mary (See Maureen or Eunice)  
Saturday 11:00 Choir Practice

#### Sacramental preparations (except school holidays)

First Confession classes: Finished!

First Communion classes: Sundays after Mass, Sinead

Confirmation preparation: Sundays after Mass, Jo

#### Church Cleaning Rota

This week: Fernandes Family

<b>March</b>	<b>St Joseph</b>
	<b>Holy Week 25th-31st March</b>
04/03/2018	Fr. John Bashabura speaker and healer <b>CANCELLED!!</b> -Station Mass at Holy Family @ 7pm on 9th March
11/03/2018	Station Mass at Our Lady of Aberdeen, Kincorth @ 7pm on the 16th March
18/03/2018	Station Mass at King's College Chapel @ 7pm on 23rd March - <b>CHRISM MASS 21st March, 6pm, BUCKIE church</b>
25/03/2018	<b>PALM SUNDAY; 29th March Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm St. Columba</b>
Future Plans	<b>30th March Good Friday. 3pm at St. Peter's; 31st March Easter Vigil at 7pm at St. Columba's</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>The Holy Eucharist OR The Holy Spirit</b>
Week Beginning	<b>School Holidays - 30th March -13th April</b>
01/04/2018	<b>EASTER SUNDAY Mass at 9.45am</b>
08/04/2018	<b>African Mass</b>
15/04/2018	
22/04/2018	<b>24th April - Gift Course, 7pm, church hall</b>
29/04/2018	<b>1st May - Gift Course, 7pm, church hall</b>
Future Plans:	
<b>May</b>	<b>The Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
Week Beginning	
06/05/2018	<b>Youth Mass Tuesday 8th May - Gift Course, 7pm, church hall Thursday 10th - Ascension</b>
13/05/2018	<b>African Mass Tuesday 15th May - Gift Course, 7pm, church hall</b>
20/05/2018	<b>PENTECOST, 22nd May Gift Course, 7pm - 26th, Saturday, Haddo House pic nic, time tba</b>
27/05/2018	<b>TRINITY SUNDAY, 29th May Gift Course @ 7pm, Church hall</b>