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When Juan Diego opened the tilma before the bishop, out fell sweet scented Castilian roses, which do not blossom in December, and on his tilma was a radiant image of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

When Juan Diego returned home he found that his uncle, Juan Bernardino, was completely cured. He said that a Lady visited him and introduced herself with the name “Guadalupe”.

Parish Diary

8 Dec RCIA: Session 10
Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery, 7.00pm.

14 Dec Christmas Craft Fayre, 12.30pm – 4.30pm,
St Peter in Chains Church Hall.

16 Dec Senior Leadership Team Meeting
Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery, 7.pm.

22 Dec Christmas Carol Service
St John and St Columba

Please pray for those who are sick:

John Ash, Celia Murphy, Helen O'Neill.

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Finlay Rutherford, RIP; Mark Rogers, RIP; John Doherty, RIP; Iain Wallace, RIP.

Parish Notices

200 Club Winners

<u>October:</u>	1st prize – M. Meade
	2nd prize – B & M. Wilson
	3rd prize – A. Bishop
<u>November:</u>	1st prize – J. Webber
	2nd prize – C. Bennett
	3rd prize – E. Steinbach

Our Lady of Lourdes SSVP Christmas Appeal

OLOL SSVP are starting our 2025 Christmas appeal. Donations of food and gift cards can be left at the back of the church and will be distributed to people in need over the holiday period. Please note we cannot accept donations of second hand clothes at this time.

St. John & St. Columba SSVP Christmas Appeal

This year, instead of distributing food hampers to those in need, we will be giving out supermarket vouchers, so that people can choose their own food. We will not be giving toys. As always, we'd be very grateful for cash donations, however small, to help us with this. If you'd like to contribute, please see any conference member or just put your donation in the collection boxes after Masses. Thank you.

Building Fund Donations

We raised in the Parish Assembly III meeting and mentioned last week that we were introducing a 2nd collection at all weekend Masses for the Building Fund.

Thank you to those who have contacted me to set up a Standing order for this.

We can claim Gift Aid for these contributions and the added bonus is that the Archdiocese does not include this in the Annual Assessment (diocesan tax). If you wish to set up a standing order or need a Gift Aid Declaration please can you contact me by emailing the office or phone me if you have any questions. Margaret McKinlay

St Peter in Chains heating controls

A new heating control has been set up for the boiler, please do not adjust the settings or switches for any reason at all, as it is now set up on a specific routine. Thanks.

NEWSLETTER

7th December 2025

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

The Most Holy Trinity Parish

Christmas Eve

5pm Vigil Mass

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Dunfermline

7pm Vigil Mass

St Peter in Chains Church, Inverkeithing

Christmas Day

9am Dawn Mass

St John & St Columba's Church, Rosyth

11am Day Mass

Our Lady of Lourdes, Dunfermline

No Evening Mass on Christmas Day

Archdiocesan News & Events

Christmas Carol Service

Organised by the Archdiocesan Lourdes Committee. St Margaret's Church, Davidson's Mains, Edinburgh, EH4 5AD, Sunday 7 December at 3:00pm.

Advent Rosary for Life

Every Monday in Advent at 7:45pm to pray for unborn children, their mothers, and all pro-life intentions. Each session is on Zoom and lasts about 30 minutes. Following the Rosary there is a short reflection from a guest speaker: Deacon David Harper (1 Dec, Diocese of Motherwell), Isabel Vaughan-Spruce (8 Dec, March for Life UK), Fr Jamie McMorrin (15 Dec, St Margaret's, Edinburgh), and Archbishop Leo Cushley (22 Dec). Register at bit.ly/rosary25

Advent Retreat

Saturday 6 December, 10:00am-7:00pm & Sunday 7 December, 3:00pm-5:30pm, St Margaret Mary's Church, Boswall Parkway, Granton, Edinburgh, EH5 2JQ. Led by Fr Bart Parys, SVD. All welcome, including families and individual worshippers. Registration is essential. Visit retreat.light-lifescotland.org.uk

Vacancy

St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh is seeking to appoint a Facilities Manager.

A full job description is available at stmaryscathedral.co.uk.

To apply, please send your CV and a cover letter to recruitment@stmaryscathedral.co.uk by Wednesday 10 December 2025. Salary: £30-32k.

