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Parish Diary

24 Feb Celebration of First Reconciliation
St John & St Columba's Church, 6.30pm

25 Feb Mothers Prayers
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 11am

27 Feb Funeral of the late Martin Deehan
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 10am;
Mary's Mantle Consecration Meeting
St Peter in Chains Church Hall, 6.15pm.

2 Mar RCIA Meeting
Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery, 7pm.

14 Mar Father Andrew's Leaving Party
St Peter in Chains Church Hall, 7.00pm.

26 Apr Celebration of Sacrament of Confirmation
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 5pm Mass.

6 June Celebration of First Holy Communion
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 11am Mass.

Please pray for those who are sick:
John Ash, Celia Murphy.

Please pray for those who have died recently:
Martin Deehan, RIP; Tony Cascarino, RIP; Jane Douglas, RIP; Helen O'Neill, RIP; Sylvia Munro, RIP; Martin Robertson, RIP; Joe Steele, RIP.

Parish Notices

WEE BOX Appeal 2026

This Lent, SCIAF invites parishes across Scotland to use their WEE BOX to learn, pray and act for global justice.

You can explore these resources together as a parish community or on your own. They have been written with inputs from Bishops, Priests, international partners and SCIAF staff.

Find out about SCIAF's work in Ethiopia where they are working with communities to bring life-giving water and support to those who need it most. Your WEE BOX is now available to pick up from the back of the church.

World Day of Prayer: 6th March 2026

2 Events for your information: -

Forth View Parish Church, Dalgety Bay at 2.00pm in. The Theme is "I Will Give You Rest" from the Ecumenical Women in Nigeria, based on a Verse from St Matthew's Gospel 11:28. All are welcome. (Lisa Quinn)

St Columba's Church, Robertson Road, Dunfermline at 2pm. The service has been written by the Women of Nigeria and includes stories of the struggles faced and overcome. Refreshments will be served after the service. Everyone is warmly welcomed. In particular it would be wonderful if any of our Nigerian Parishioners could attend as we will recite The Lord's Prayer in both languages. Further details can be had from Mary Irvine on 07789 920607.

HOLY WEEK 2026

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper
7.30pm Our Lady of Lourdes

GOOD FRIDAY

Celebration of the Lord's Passion
3.00pm Our Lady of Lourdes

HOLY SATURDAY

Blessing of Easter Food (Święconka)
12noon Our Lady of Lourdes

Easter Vigil (First Mass of Easter)
9.00pm St John & St Columba

EASTER SUNDAY

9.30am St John & St Columba
11.30am Our Lady of Lourdes
5.00pm St Peter in Chains

Walsingham Pilgrimage

We have finally managed to secure a firm date and costs for our September Pilgrimage to Walsingham. The trip will be from 28 September to 2 October 2026 with places for 16 pilgrims staying at the Anglican Shrine in Walsingham.

The total cost per person has worked out at £550. This includes full board accommodation, travel costs, and evening meal at the West Lynn Brewers Fayre on the night of arrival. A £40 deposit is required by 28 February 2026 to secure your space and I am happy to take money at assigned dates throughout the year before we travel.

If you have any questions or would like to confirm your space please contact Leah Polus on 07415 980685 or leahpolus1982@gmail.com

Thank you
to everyone who supported the

Bingo Afternoon

Total raised was £970

Please check newsletter
for further events

Regards, Kathleen

Archdiocesan News & Events

Stations of the Cross

The Archdiocese hosts online Stations of the Cross each Monday in Lent. The first one is on Monday 23 February at 7:45pm and will feature a reflection from Archbishop Leo. The annual event is to pray for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Register at bit.ly/stations26

Courageous Heart:
A Day to Grow in Faith for Girls S3-S6

Girls in S3-S6 are invited to 'Courageous Heart,' a day of faith and friendship on Saturday 28 February 2026 from 10:00am-3:00pm. Consists of prayer, opportunity for Confession, Mass, lunch, a craft, and time with new friends. St Andrew's Catholic Church and Convent, 77 Belford Road, Edinburgh (sponsored by the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma). Please RSVP and request a parent permission form by emailing edinburgh@almamercy.org (or call 0131 343 3380) by 24 February.

What's Happening at Mass

Mass is the climax of Catholic life. Join the Archdiocese's Catechetics Commission to explore what we are ultimately doing with God at Holy Mass. *What's Happening at Mass* takes place at The Gillis Centre,100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on Saturday 14 March, from 9:30am-4:00pm. Register: bit.ly/archmass

Remembering Service

For those who have suffered the loss of a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, together with those who wish to come in love and support, to have time in quiet surroundings to fully recognise their loss and help with healing. This service takes place at 5:00pm on Sunday 22 February in St John the Baptist RC Church, 37 St Ninian's Road, Edinburgh, EH12 8AL.

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READINGS AT MASS

1st Sunday of Lent (A)

FIRST READING Genesis 2:7-9
'The creation and sin of our first parents.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 51(50)
R/. **Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

SECOND READING Romans 5:12-19
'Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more.'

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL
Glory and praise to you, O Christ.
One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.
Glory and praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL Matthew 4:1-11
'Jesus fasts for forty days and is tempted'

THE WAY OF THE CROSS
Tuesday, 10am (Our Lady of Lourdes)
Thursday: 6.45pm (St John & St Columba)
Friday: 9am (St Peter in Chains)

CONFESSION
Saturday: 10.30-11.00am (St John & St Columba)
Saturday: 4.15-4.45pm (St Peter in Chains)
Sunday: 4.15-4.45pm (Our Lady of Lourdes)

ADORATION
Saturday: 9.00am-9.55am (St John & St Columba)

HOLY ROSARY
Recitation starting about 30mins before every Mass, except Thursday and Friday (The Way of the Cross), Saturday Vigil and 11.30am Sunday Mass.

COLLECTIONS

Offertory (Sunday, 15 Feb 2026):	£886.80
Building Fund (Sunday, 15 Feb 2026):	£353.66
Standing Orders Offertory:	£576.59*
Standing Orders Building Fund:	£119.00*

*This is an average figure for weekly donations.

MASS SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Sunday 22 February 1st Sunday of Lent	5.00pm (Sat) 9.30am 11.30am 5.00pm	St Peter in Chains St John & St Columba Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes	Jane Douglas, RIP For the People of the Parish Philip Patterson, RIP Harry Ward, RIP
Monday 23 February *(Saint Polycarp)*			
Tuesday 24 February			
Wednesday 25 February	7.00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Margaret O'Brien, RIP
Thursday 26 February	7.30pm	St John & St Columba	Iain Wallace, RIP
Friday 27 February *(Saint Gregory of Narek)*	10.00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	*Funeral of the late Martin Deehan*
Saturday 28 February (Vigil Mass of Sunday)	10.00am 5.00pm	St John & St Columba St Peter in Chains	Helen O'Neill, RIP Pat Reid, RIP
Sunday 1 March 2nd Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.30am 5.00pm	St John & St Columba Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes	For the People of the Parish Tam Higgins, RIP Joe Steele, RIP

Please email items to be included in the Newsletter to
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