



The Catholic Parish of The Most Holy Trinity
Serving the communities of South West Fife

NEWSLETTER

8th March 2026

The Samaritan Woman at the Well (John 4:5-42)



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Parish Diary

- 9 Mar** RCIA Meeting
Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery, 7pm.
- 13 Mar** Mary's Mantle Consecration Meeting
St Peter in Chains Church Hall, 6.15pm
- 14 Mar** Father Andrew's Leaving Party
St Peter in Chains Church Hall, 7.00pm.
- 14 Mar** RCIA Meeting
Our Lady of Lourdes Presbytery, 7pm.
- 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, Elaine Cormack, 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.

Parish Notices

Divine Renovation Open House Scotland

25 April 2026

St John the Baptist Church
136 Lower Millgate, Uddingston, Glasgow,
G71 7AH

Imagine what your parish would look like if it started to attract new people, made new disciples and grew in numbers and faith. Is growth and new life in our Catholic parishes even possible?

The St John the Baptist Parish invites you to Divine Renovation Open House Scotland, featuring Fr. James Mallon as keynote speaker, a chance to get inspired by priests and parishioners as they share stories of transformation.

This is a free event.
To book your place please visit
www.divinerenovation.org/events

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

Building Work

We have now started some of the Compliance Audit works which we highlighted required done mainly at St John & St Columba (SJSC) and Our Lady of Lourdes (OLOL). The Emergency Electrical lighting was completed this week at SJSC. We are sorry for the disruption this caused to the Masses at SJSC, but this was unavoidable.

The Legionella/Tea room works in OLOL will be 12th – 20th March 2026 no impact on Masses this week. There will be no day time Masses week commencing 16th March 2026. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

We will update you next week on the planned works for week of 23rd March 2026.

We will hopefully be able to give prior notice if any Mass times/locations need revised, but please watch the News Bulletins and Facebook page for updates.

Special Collection

On Sunday 15th March there will be a special collection for Papal & Episcopal Charities (including SCIAF). 75 per cent of the collection goes to SCIAF and 25 per cent to the Archdiocesan Care Fund, which supports various good causes. Last year £32,067 was raised from this collection in the Archdiocese. Thank you for your support.

Missals Available

We have an extra weekly and daily missal available at the parish office for you buy. Cost is £49.50 for the weekly and £19.95 for the daily. Please contact the parish office if you would like to purchase.

Magnificat

If you are interested in subscribing to this Mass accompaniment, please visit www.thecatholichearl.com/magnificat

Church Flowers

Please think about volunteering for this role. We need at least two people to be available for each church in our Parish. We're looking for one more person to help at St Peter in Chains Church and two people to attend to the flowers at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Please call Ann Neil on 07986 824314 to find out more. Thank you.

Beginning Experience

The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. The weekend will take place from 27th – 29th March 2026 at Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. For details contact: Louise on 07786687631 or e-mail: beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com

Completed Applications must be returned by 13th March 2026

Lenten Penitential Service

Fr Syriac Palakudiyil invites you to join him for a Penitential Service on

Wednesday 18th March at 7pm

*in St Margaret's Memorial Church,
East Port, Dunfermline*

Archdiocesan News & Events

Final vote on Assisted Suicide

This Tuesday (10th March) the Scottish Parliament will begin debating the final stage of the Assisted Suicide Bill. Please share your concerns with MSPs that sick and vulnerable people need special care and protection, not abandonment. The Bill is too risky for too many. Use the letter writing tool at <https://carenotkilling.scot/>

Stations of the Cross

The Archdiocese hosts online Stations of the Cross each Monday in Lent at 7:45pm. Concludes with a reflection from guest speaker. The annual event is to pray for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Register at bit.ly/stations26

What's Happening at Mass

This Lent, deepen your union with God by exploring what God is doing with us at Mass. Speakers include Archbishop Cushley, Fr Jamie McMorris, Grace Robertson, Fr Kevin Douglas, and Fr Andrew Garden. The day also includes Mass and a light lunch. The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB Date: Saturday 14th March 9:30am. Register: bit.ly/archmass

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READINGS AT MASS

3rd Sunday of Lent (A)

FIRST READING Exodus 17:3-7
'Give us water to drink.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 95(94)
R/. **O that today you would listen to his voice!**
'Harden not your hearts.'

SECOND READING Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
'Love has been poured into our hearts through the spirit who has been given to us'

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

**Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.
Lord, you are indeed the Saviour of the world;
giving me living water,
so that I will not be thirsty.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.**

GOSPEL John 4:5-42
'A spring of water welling up to eternal life'

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, 1st Mar 2026): £891.77
Building Fund (Sunday, 1st Mar 2026): £361.67
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 8 March 3rd Sunday of Lent	5.00pm (Sat)	St Peter in Chains	Shona MacKean, RIP
	9.30am	St John & St Columba	Patrick Lynch, RIP
	11.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Iain Wallace, RIP
	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	For the People of the Parish
Monday 9 March <i>(Saint Frances of Rome)</i>	9.30am	St Peter in Chains	Mary Swan (birthday thanksgiving)
Tuesday 10 March Saint John Ogilvie	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Tony Cascarino, RIP
Wednesday 11 March	7.00am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Fr Syriac Palakudiyil (spec. int.)
Thursday 12 March	7.30pm	St John & St Columba	Helen O'Neill, RIP
Friday 13 March	9.30am	St Peter in Chains	Ann Marie Hepburn (ill)
Saturday 14 March (Vigil Mass of Sunday)	10.00am	St John & St Columba	Jane Douglas, RIP
	5.00pm	St Peter in Chains	John McFadyen, RIP
Sunday 15 March 4th Sunday of Lent	9.30am	St John & St Columba	Dorothy Brogan (special int.)
	11.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	For the People of the Parish
	5.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Patrick Ward, RIP

Please email items to be included in the Newsletter to
office.holytrinitydunfermline@staned.org.uk by **12 noon on Thursday.**