

# St John the Baptist's, Perth

SUNDAY MASS in St JOHN'S  
6.30pm (Saturday Vigil)  
& on Sunday  
9am, 11am, 6.30pm

WEEKDAYS  
Monday-Saturday  
at 10am, Tuesday 7pm

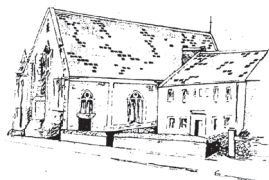
MSZA ŚW.  
PO POLSKU  
Niedziela 5pm  
Pojednania 4.15pm

RECONCILIATION  
in St John's  
Saturday  
5-6pm



Priests: Very Rev. Martin Monsignor Drysdale STL VG, St John's Presbytery, 20 Melville Street, Perth, PH1 5PY (01738 622241)  
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## Trinity Sunday Year C 22nd May 2016

Welcome  
to all  
our  
visitors

## ETERNAL, UNIQUE, TRIUNE RELATIONSHIPS

*"All that the Father has belongs to Me (Jesus). That is why I said that what He (the Holy Spirit) will announce to you He will have from Me." —John 16:15*

God is one. He is uniquely one, for He is three Persons in one God. God is Trinity. He is Family and Community.

God is a community of eternal begetting and "begottenness." The Father has been begetting and is always begetting the Son. Therefore, the Son is uniquely begotten, and the Holy Spirit is the eternal Fruit of this love of the Father and the Son.

God is a community of eternal sending. The Father has been sending and is always sending Jesus and the Holy Spirit; Jesus also is always sending the Holy Spirit (see Jn 20:21-

22; 14:26; 16:7).

God is a community of eternal witnessing. The Spirit witnesses to the Son (Jn 15:26), Who is the faithful and true Witness (Rv 1:5) of the Father, Who also witnesses for Jesus (Jn 5:37; 8:18).

God is Triune Community, and the relationships in this Community are unique. We can understand them enough to know that we can never understand them very well. God is transcendent. His triune life is the mystery of mysteries. Yet He has chosen us to live in Him and in Trinitarian love. Praise the Holy Trinity!



Teas after  
the 11am  
Mass on Sunday  
and 10am Mass  
on Tuesdays

Priests *for*  
Scotland  
A LIFE  
WORTH  
LIVING

### For this Sunday's Mass

#### Responsorial Psalm

How great is your name,  
O Lord our God,  
through all the earth.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
the God who is, who was,  
and who is to come.

God eternal-  
Three  
in One



### Prayers

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of John Woods, Kathleen Cassidy, Annie McNeela, Theresa Dixon, Patrick Cully, Bridget and John Kelly, Tony Ward, Margaret Stefani and Roz Wheeler and the souls of all the faithful departed.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Rosary and Benediction  
in honour of Our Lady

Rosary and Benediction will  
be celebrated on

Wednesday 25th May  
6.30-7.30pm





## Niepojęty Bóg

Św. Augustyn rozpoczyna swe „Wyznania” od próby wyrażenia, kim jest dla niego Bóg. Tekst należy do najpiękniejszych opisowych definicji Boga, jakie wypracowano na przestrzeni wieków. W Uroczystość Trójcy Świętej warto w oparciu o słowa biskupa Hippony dostrzec w Bogu niewypowiedzianą tajemnicę. „Czymże więc jesteś, Boże mój? Tylko do Ciebie wołam, Pana Boga! Bo któż jest Bogiem oprócz Pana? Jakież jest Bóg oprócz Boga naszego? O, najwyższy, najlepszy, najzamożniejszy, bezgranicznie wszechmocny, najbardziej miłosierny i najsprawiedliwszy, najgłębiej ukryty i najbardziej obecny, najpiękniejszy i najsilniejszy, zawsze

istniejący, a niepojęty! Niezmienny jesteś, a przemieniasz wszystko, nigdy nie nowy, nigdy nie stary, wszystko odnawiasz, a do starości wieszysz pysznych, a oni o tym nie wiedzą. Zawsze działasz, zawsze trwasz w spoczynku, gromadzisz, a niczego nie potrzebujesz. Podtrzymujesz, napędasz, osłaniasz. Wszystko stwarzasz, karmisz, prowadzisz ku doskonałości. Szukasz, a niczego Ci nie brakuje. Kochasz a nie spalasz się; troszczysz się, a nie lękasz; żałujesz, a nie bolejesz; gniewasz się, a spokojny jesteś; dzieła zmieniasz, a nie zmieniasz zamysłu; przygarniasz, co napotykaś, chociaż nigdy tego nie utraciłeś. Nigdy nie jesteś ubogi, a radujesz się zyskiem. Nigdy się nie łakomisz,

a żądasz pomnożenia tego, co dałeś. Daje się Tobie ponad obowiązek, abyś Ty był dłużnikiem – a któż z nas ma cokolwiek, co nie byłoby Twoje? Oddajesz długi, nic winien nie będąc. Długi darowujesz, nic nie tracąc. Cóż ja tu mówię, Boże mój, życie, słodyczy mego życia święta! I cóż właściwie mówią ci wszyscy, którzy o Tobie mówić usiłują! Lecz biada, jeśli się o Tobie milczy! Choćby najwięcej wtedy mówił człowiek, niemową jest”. Dla chrześcijanina Bóg to nie hipoteza, to nie rzeczywistość odległa jak planeta Saturn, to nawet nie Słońce na niebie, lecz Wszechmocny Przyjaciel, z którym można współpracować na co dzień.

Sunday Reflection

Parish website: [www.stjohns-perth.org.uk](http://www.stjohns-perth.org.uk) Discover us @StJohnRCPPerth

## Pierwsza Komunia św.

Pierwsza Komunia św. naszych Polskich dzieci będzie w tym roku 5 czerwca. W związku z tym Msza św. polska będzie o godzinę wcześniej tj. o 4pm. Bardzo prosimy o uwzględnienie tej zmiany w waszych grafikach niedzielnych. Dzieci, które będą przyjmowały po raz pierwszy Pana Jezusa do swoich serc to: Oliwia Horbaczek, Marysia Głusińska, Maja Krukowska, Natalia Scigany oraz Martyna Tryba. Pamiętajmy o nich w naszych modlitwach.

Polish Mass for First Holy Communion starts at 4pm on 5th June

## Spowiedź i Msza św.

W każdą niedzielę istnieje możliwość skorzystania z Sakramentu Pokuty od godz. 4:15pm. Zapraszamy do regularnej spowiedzi i do pełnego uczestnictwa we Mszy św. Msza św. o godz. 5pm.

Polish Sunday Mass



## Nowi Ministrzy Komunii św.

Pragnę ogłosić z wielką radością, nasza Polska wspólnota wzbogaciła się o nowych nadzwyczajnych Ministrów Komunii św. Po wcześniejszym procesie wtajemniczenia i przygotowaniu do tej posługi zostali nimi: Elżbieta Pokora, Dariusz Król oraz Ireneusz Wypasek. Dziękujemy im za chęć służenia naszej wspólnotie i posługę Bogu w uświęcaniu ludzkich serc przez rozdzielanie Ciała Pańskiego. Szczęść Boże!

New extra-ordinary eucharistic ministers

## Z Maryją przeżywamy miesiąc Maj

Trwa miesiąc Maj – poświęcony w sposób szczególny Matce Najświętszej. W naszej pięknej polskiej tradycji ten miesiąc pachnący wiosną i kwieciami zawsze był czczony jako miesiąc Maryjny. Dlatego żyjąc tutaj na emigracji dalej kultuwujemy tę głęboko zakorzoną tradycję i uczcijmy Matkę Najświętszą przez odmawianie Litanii Loretąńskiej ku Jej czci. Udekorujmy również Jej wizerunki w naszych domach, a przez to niech nasza więź z ojczystym krajem i Królową Polski wleje w nasze serca źródło Bożych łask, ukoji tęsknotę za Ojczyzną, a Maryja niech swą Matczyną opieką wyprasza u swojego Syna Boże błogosławieństwo dla każdej Polskiej rodziny w tym kraju.

May is the Month of Mary

## Liturgia dziecięca

W każdą pierwszą niedzielę miesiąca liturgia Mszy św. dla dzieci. Najbliższa Msza św. dla dzieci 5 czerwca o godz. 4pm. Zapraszamy do udziału wszystkie dzieci.

Monthly Children's Liturgy

## Kalendarz Liturgiczny

W tym tygodniu w kalendarzu liturgicznym wspominać będziemy:

**We wtorek**  
– Wspomnienie Najświętszej Maryi Panny Wspomożycielki Wiernych.

Feastdays this week

## Collections

Many thanks for your generosity; last week's income was - Offering £1599.96; Votive candles £41.65; Papers £19.73 and Shop - £22.

## Second collection next Sunday

There will be a second collection at all Masses next Sunday for the 'Day for Life'.

## Union of Catholic Mothers



Thank you to all who attended Mass with Fr Tom, we had a wonderful evening. Next meeting is 7th June with Guest Speaker Andy Patterson.

If any member would like to attend the National AGM on Saturday 4th June at Bellshill, please contact Rosanna on 447734. Cost £15 to include lunch.

## Italian Mass

Bishop Stephen will celebrate Mass in Italian with Mgr Aldo in St Mary Magdalene's Church on Wednesday 1st June, at 7pm - the Feast of the Sacred Heart. If you plan to attend please add your name to the list at the back of the church - for catering purposes. All welcome

## Italian Association

The next monthly meeting of the Italian Association will be on Saturday 28th May - at 1pm - followed by Mass in Italian at 2pm

Our Saturday Italian classes will take a break until 4th June.

## May Procession

The May Procession will take place on Saturday 28th May, at 2.45pm, in the grounds of St John's Church, culminating in the Crowning of Our Lady's statue.

All are welcome to come along.

## Prayers for the sick

Could you please remember Benedict Wass who has suffered a serious injury and needs your prayers

## First Communions

Please keep our First Communicants and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist for the first time at 1pm, on Sunday 5th June.

## Wellburn Procession

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ and the Annual Corpus Christi will take place in the grounds of Wellburn Home, Liff Road, Dundee - at 3pm.

Bishop Stephen extends a special invitation to Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers and First Communicants to come along.



## Catholic Papers

Catholic newspapers the Scottish Catholic Observer, Catholic Herald, Catholic Times etc are available in the church porch - please take copies and share them with the wider community.

## Children's Liturgy

Our Children's Liturgy continues at the 9am Mass.

# Parish Library

*Borrow from our extensive range*



# Parish Shop

*Cards for First Communion  
Baptism and Confirmation  
New copies Day by Day*

# JustFaith

SCIAF, Justice and Peace Scotland and Missio are looking for parishioners who have an interest in justice, leadership or the environment to take part in a training opportunity on Saturday 4th June 12pm-4pm at the St Ninian Institute, Lawside Dundee.

The day is designed to introduce people to JustFaith and to offer training and resources for parishioners to work with schools in offering senior pupils the JustFaith message.

Contact Mgr Drysdale if you are interested.

## We need your help!

## The Church in China

### Sr Deirdre O'Brien RSCJ

Volunteer Missionary in mainland China for 14 years

**Monday 13th June**

7.30-9.30pm

The Orchard, Garden Cottage Spirituality Centre  
Kilgraston, Bridge of Earn - PH2 9HN

Suggested donation - £10 (inc. tea/coffee)

To book- please call 01738 813618

## Lunch Club

The Lunch Club takes a break this week and resumes again on Monday 30th May. Thanks to all our regulars and to our volunteers.

**All bookings for the Church Hall , and rooms, should be made using the dedicated phone line**

**07549 605007**

only within these times:

**Monday 7-9pm**

**Wednesday 12noon-2pm**

**Friday 11am-12noon**



# Pilgrimage in honour of St Margaret

Archbishop Leo Cushley has invited Catholic parish in the country to advertise this year's St Margaret's Summer Pilgrimage in Dunfermline on Sunday 12 June.

"The summer pilgrimage in honour of St Margaret should be a fantastic family day – that's why we want to extend the invitation to take part as far and wide as possible," said Archbishop Cushley.

Joining the Archbishop to launch the event was 30-year-old Fife actress Katie Milne dressed as St Margaret.

"St Margaret is such a remarkable historical

figure in Scotland's story as well as a fabulous role model for young Scots today – especially young women – it's an honour to represent her here today."

The roots of the summer pilgrimage dates back to June 1250 when the relics of Saint Margaret were translated to a new shrine in Dunfermline Abbey following her canonisation that year by Pope Innocent IV. An annual summer pilgrimage to Dunfermline soon emerged becoming a celebrated fixture within Scottish national life until the late 16th century. It was then re-established in



1899 and continued again until 1974. Last year saw the pilgrimage revived after an absence 41 years.

"Last year's event was a tremendous success with numbers attending far in excess to expectations and everybody having an enormously enjoyable day – this year should prove to be even better," added the Archbishop.

The revived summer pilgrimage is the initiative of the local Catholic parish in Dunfermline, St Margaret's Memorial Church. In 2015, they invited parishes within the

Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh to attend. Following the success of last year's event, this year they are extending the invitation to all the Catholic parishes in Scotland – 452 parishes in total – in co-operation with the Bishops' Conference of Scotland.

"This will be a real family event to which everybody in Scotland – not just Catholics – are invited given that St Margaret is an inspirational figure for all Scots as well as a heavenly protectress of the people of our land,"

said Fr Chris Heenan, Parish Priest of St Margaret's Memorial Church.

St Margaret became Queen of Scots in 1070. She was renowned for her good influence on her husband, King Malcolm III, but also for her devout Christian piety, her charitable works towards the sick and poor while raising eight children of her own. She is credited with encouraging the observance of Sunday as a day of rest. Saint Margaret was declared Patroness of Scotland in 1673.

## New Director of Catholic Education Service Announced

Archbishop Tartaglia said: "I wish to congratulate Barbara Coupar on being chosen as the next Director of SCES. I have no doubt that Barbara will continue to develop the excellent work of SCES which now has a very significant profile both nationally and internationally for its work of supporting Catholic education in Scotland and for representing Catholic education to government, local authorities, professional educational bodies and to the media. I know I speak for the Bishops' Conference of Scotland in wishing Barbara every success in her new post."

Barbara who started teaching in 1998 and gained a Bachelor of Divinity in 1996 from the University of Glasgow commented:

"I am honoured and delighted to have been appointed as the next Director of the Scottish Catholic Education Service. I hope that I can continue the positive legacy that Michael McGrath has built, while serving the Church and Scottish Catholic schools in a creative and faithful way."

Congratulating his successor, Michael McGrath, outgoing SCES Director, commented:

"I am delighted that the Bishops have moved swiftly to appoint Barbara as the next SCES Director. I know that she will bring great energy, skill and commitment to the post. I wish her and all who work to support Scotland's Catholic schools every success in the years ahead."



*Diocesan Youth Officer, Frankie McGuire, with members of the Perth Catholic Youth Project on a pilgrimage to St Margaret's Shrine, Dunfermline in 2012.*

ARE YOU GOING TO BE IN HOSPITAL? DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS IN HOSPITAL?

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete/ tear off and return with your collection - or hand to the priest after Mass