



St John the Baptist Catholic Church-The Mother Church of Perth

A warm welcome to our Church. Countless Catholics and visitors have crossed the threshold of this holy place, sensing the presence of God and filling it with prayer and contemplation. Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our mission is to glorify God by our lives.

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Sunday 12th November 2023-Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Refreshments in the hall after 11am Sunday Mass

Responsorial Psalm: For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

RECENTLY DEAD: Maureen Dalton & E. O'Brien
ANNIVERSARIES: Charlie Canning, Tommy Donnelly & Peter Lole
Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

RCIA-The Church (1): Established by Christ to continue His Work
Monday 20th November at 6.45pm after the evening Mass in the hall.

Please keep the dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 6th December-**Advent Day of Recollection**-please sign up for our Edinburgh day
Sunday 10th December at 4pm-Parish Choir **Carol Service**
Thursday 14th December at 6pm-St John's Academy **Carol Service**
Friday 15th December at 7pm-**Christmas Parish Dinner**-please sign up
Wednesday 07th February 2024 at 6pm-**Confirmations** with P7

On Wednesday 6th December an **Advent Day of Recollection** has been organised for the parishes of St. John the Baptist, Our Lady of Lourdes and St. James', Kinross. The day of recollection will be held in St. Patrick's church in Edinburgh where the remains of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair are entombed. The day will be animated by Fr. Gerard Hatton and Fr. Ninian Doohan who are currently serving in the parish and are part of a nascent Oratorian community following in the footsteps of St. Philip Neri. It will consist of a Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction, Holy Mass, a break for people to go and have their lunch in Edinburgh, an afternoon spiritual conference, opportunity for Confession, and an opportunity to visit to the small museum and relics of Ven. Margaret Sinclair and pray at her tomb. A suggested minimum donation per person (although not obligatory) for the day is £10.00. Those attending will need to make arrangements themselves for lunch. The bus will pick parishioners up at St. John's at 9.00a.m., Our Lady's around 9.20a.m. and St. James' around 9.45a.m. Lists will soon be put at the back of the church for people to sign-up for the day. As always it will be on a first-come first-served basis. We should leave Edinburgh to return to the parishes around 4.30p.m. or so. This will provide a good opportunity for people to do something extra for Advent and a way of preparing fruitfully for our Christmas celebrations.

Sunday Masses: Saturday 4.00pm (Anticipatory Sunday Mass) 9.00am, 11.00am & 6.30 pm

Tuesdays: 6.00pm-6.45pm (**Confessions in Church**)

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The Catholic Church has been praying for the departed souls since the time of the Apostles. This fact of praying for them implies the belief that these souls are not in Heaven and yet, neither are they hopelessly lost in hell. Our belief in Purgatory as a place of expiation is an excellent example of what is meant by the tradition of the Church. During the month of November, we will offer up our many Masses and prayers for the Holy Souls. **Holy Soul November lists are now available from the porch.** You can return them throughout the month of November.

Holy Mass

Monday 13th November-Thursday 16th –No Mass

Friday 17th -St Elizabeth of Hungry-10am with Primary 5

1.45pm- Funeral Requiem Mass for Maureen Dalton

There will be a Mass offered in thanksgiving for Priesthood and for Intercession for our priests in St Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee on Saturday 18th November at 10am. All are welcome.

Date for the diary: Join us for a merry pre-Christmas parish meal with live music and dancing in the hall. The date is Friday 15th December at 7pm. We will use the outside caterers that provided our lovely meal last year. You are invited to sign up on the sheet provided for us to ascertain numbers. During November you will be able then to choose your meal from a menu. We will then share the cost. However, it is important that all join in so please sign up as no one will be turned away that may struggle to pay.

2nd Collection on Sunday 26th November
for the Scottish Catholic Education Service.

Prisoners Week 19-25 November 2023

Our **2023** theme invites us to listen to people affected by imprisonment who have discovered Strength for their Journey, bringing them restoration and peace. Join the journey - our launch service takes place at **Letham St Marks Church, Perth on Sunday 19th November 3pm to 5pm.** 7893-Prison Population (15th September 2023) Around 20,000-27,000 children with a family member in prison & 309 women in prison. www.prisonersweek.org.uk

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