



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 19th November 2023-Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



**Grateful Remembrance
of the Silver Jubilee of
the Ordination to the
Sacred Priesthood of
Jesus Christ.**

16th November 1998-2023.

**Lord I bless those who
led me to Thy Altar, and
grant me generosity in
Thy service.**

Please take a Jubilee card
to mark the occasion and
please keep me
in your prayers.
-Canon Steven Mulholland.

**Responsorial Psalm: O
blessed are those who fear
the Lord.**

RECENTLY DEAD: Roseann Finnegan & Fred Rollason

ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret & James Robertson, Catherine Cooke, Mary Rose Walker,
Captain John C. Rutherford-Ross, Captain Andrew C. Rutherford-Ross, Betty M^cKean
& Monsignor Francis Duffy

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.

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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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.

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 our 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 20th November-6pm

Tuesday 21st – The Presentation of the BVM-10am (Mass for the Sick & Remembrance of those who have died since November 2022 & including deceased members of SVDP) & 7pm

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament & Confessions from 6pm-6.45pm

Wednesday 22nd-No Mass

Thursday 23rd-HMP Perth

Friday 24th-St Andrew Dung Lac & Companions-10am

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.

UCM meets Tuesday 21st for Holy Mass at 7pm followed by gathering.

Sunday Masses 4.00pm Anticipatory Sunday Mass (on Saturday)

9.00am/11.00am/6.30 pm

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