



**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 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023**  
**Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe-Year A**

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.



On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December an **Advent Retreat** 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. 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)

Holy Mass

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November-Friday 01<sup>st</sup> December-No Public Mass



# Church Dinner

**Date for the diary:** Join us for a merry pre-Christmas parish dinner with live music and dancing in the hall. The date is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

**RCIA-The Church (2): The Sacraments-Christ's Work Goes On**  
Monday 04<sup>th</sup> December at 6.45pm after the evening Mass in the hall.

**Please keep the dates for your Diary:**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December from 1.30pm-3.30pm-**Music & Song Afternoon in hall**  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December-**Advent Day of Recollection**-please sign up for our Edinburgh day  
Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm **Lantern Procession** depart from St Ninian's  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm-Parish Choir **Carol Service**  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm-St John's Academy **Carol Service**  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm-**Christmas Parish Dinner**-please sign-up  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 7pm-**PACT Carol Service** North Church, Mill St.

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 at 5pm-5.45pm**

**Parent Sacrament Information & Sign-up Evening**  
for P4 pupils in St. John's hall

Wednesday 07<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 6pm-**Confirmations** with P7

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I M P E R A T

**RECENTLY DEAD:** Joe Johnston  
**ANNIVERSARIES:** Mary & Albert Brookes,  
Sheila Clarke, Margaret & Martin Grubb,  
Fr John M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, May Birse &  
Sadie Donaldson

**Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine,  
et lux perpetua luceat eis.**

Refreshments in the hall after 11am  
Sunday Mass

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for the Scottish Catholic  
Education Service**  
Please pick up Pastoral Letter

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9.00am/11.00am/6.30 pm

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