St John the Baptist's, Perth

Friday - 10am

SUNDAY MASS 4pm (Saturday Vigil) & on SUNDAY 9am, 11am and 6.30pm WEEKDAY MASSES Monday - 6pm Tuesday - 10am & 7pm

Tuesday - 6pm Adoration & Confession (before 7pm Mass)



Parish Priest: Fr Louis Uwaezuoke, St John's Presbytery, 20 Melville Street, Perth, PH1 5PY (01738 259371) Assistant - Fr Abraham Poonoly CST



29th Sunday of the Year Year C 19th October 2025



For this Sunday's Mass

Responsorial Psalm

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Gospel Acclamation

The word of God is living and active, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Prayers

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick at this time.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Antony James and Eddy Johnson who have died recently and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faith departed, rest in peace.

Amen.

Emergency and Sick Calls

In the case of emergencies or sick calls - contact Fr Louis Uwaezuoke - 01738 259371.

Tea and Coffee after
the 11am Mass on
Sunday
and 10am Mass
on Tuesdays
ALL WELCOME

MONDAY 20th October 6pm Mass

TUESDAY 21st October

10am Mass

6pm - Adoration & Confession 7pm Mass

THURSDAY 23rd October 9.40am - Rosary - 10am - Mass

> FRIDAY 24th October 10am Mass

Mission Sunday

Today is Mission Sunday - the second collection will be taken up for the Church's work in the missions.

Welcome and thank you

We extend a warm welcome to Fr Louis Uwaezuoke as he arrives in our parish this weekend as our new parish priest.

Our heartfelt thanks to Fr Abraham Poonoly CST for his sacred ministry in the parish of St John the Baptist over these past weeks - we welcome the news that he will be staying on in the parish for a short time.

Foodbank

The monthly collection of non perishable foods for the Foodbank will take place on the first Sunday of each month.

There will also be bacon rolls available after 11am Mass on that day - with a suggested donation £2.50 each, all proceeds going towards food for the Foodbank.

Prayer after Communion

I thank you, my Jesus, for giving yourself to me in this Blessed Sacrament, and so enriching it with the treasures of your love you have no greater Gift to give to me. I thank you not only for becoming my food, but also for offering yourself as a continual sacrifice to your Eternal Father for my Salvation.

Amen

Toilets

Children who require to use the bathroom should be accompanied at all times by a parent/guardian. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Date for Diary and sign up...

Join us for a merry pre-Christmas Parish Meal with live music and dancing in the Hall. The date is Wednesday, 10th December, 2025 at 6.30pm We will use the outside caterers that have provided our lovely meals in the past.

You are invited to sign up on the sheet provided in the Porch to enable us to ascertain numbers.

During November you will then be able to choose your meal from a menu. All welcome.

Arrivederci e grazie

It is with sadness that the Perth Italian Religious Association — also known as the Perth Italian Circle — has announced that it has closed. The occasion was marked with a Mass in Italian, celebrated by their long-serving chaplain, Mgr Aldo Angelosanto, at Our Lady of Lourdes, Perth. The service was both a farewell and a thanksgiving for three decades of friendship, faith, and community spirit.

Speaking after the Mass, the Association's Secretary, Miss Norma Giulianotti, expressed heartfelt thanks to the three Perth parishes which have supported the Association over the years.

"They have all been so generous in their support for our community," Miss Giulianotti said, "joining our pilgrimages to Rome, Florence, Venice, Assisi and Padua, as well as local retreats, annual Marian Processions at St Mary's Monastery, Kinnoull, and our social events such as Dinner Dances, Carnevale celebrations, and Bingo teas."

Over its proud history, the Perth Italian Association has raised and donated over £40,000 to charitable causes, principally the Mukuru Street Children project in Kenya and Mary's Meals school in Kudse, Malawi.

Norma herself has been a guiding figure in the life of the Association and the wider Italian community in Scotland. She received Italian Scotland's Medaglia D'Oro — the community's highest honour — recognising her lifetime of service to the Italian community in Scotland through her leadership, charitable work, and commitment to cultural integration.

Norma has served as President and Secretary of the Perth Circolo Italiano Religioso, organising its annual pilgrimages, social gatherings, and fundraising activities and always welcoming people of all backgrounds.

"Integration has always been a prime feature of what we do," she reflected. "All events have been open to all members of the parish community."

The Perth Italian Association expressed a sincere and heartfelt thank you to Mgr Aldo Angelosanto for his unwavering pastoral care and faithful support throughout the years.

Though the formal organisation may end, the legacy of fellowship, charity, and faith that the Perth Italian community has fostered will continue to live on in the hearts of all who took part.

TWO very special dates for your diary

An evening of sacred choral music by candelight in St Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee on Friday 7th November - in aid of funds for the St Mary Lochee's Restoration Project.

A second concert of the same programme will now take place on Friday 14th November in St John's Kirk, Perth.

Conducted by our choir director, composer Helen Band, and performed by a new choir of 45 talented singers from across Tayside, the programme will feature Helen's choral works, including anthems, hymns and excerpts from Helen's Mass settings.

Michael Ellacott will accompany on piano with guest soloist soprano Colleen Nicoll and soloists from our music community here in St John's, organist Kevin Fyffe and soprano Louise Blundell.

Tickets £10 (under 16s free). Contact Helen to reserve (07739 836994) or buy online via www. helenband.com



Jubilee Year 2025



PILGRIMAGE TO ST ANDREWS AND DUNFERMLINE

Saturday, 25th October 2025

The pilgrimage is organised by the Scottish Bishops' Conference.

10.30am - Visit to the historic village of Markinch to visit the pre-Reformation church of St Drostan with a guided tour.

The church is the oldest building in continuous use in Scotland, and you can see the marks on the church wall where the archers sharpened their arrows for the battle of Bannockburn.

Tea and coffee will be available in the church hall. You will be asked for a small donation for the tea/coffee.

We will then move on to St Andrews, at around 1pm, where we will have a short service in the local church of St James, with free time in St Andrews until 4pm, when the group heads for Dunfermline for the Vigil Mass in St Margaret's, at 5:30pm.

While the main group of pilgrims are travelling to and from Motherwell, pilgrims from Dunkeld are invited to join in at any point along the way