

St John the Baptist's, Perth

SUNDAY MASS in St JOHN'S

4pm (Saturday Vigil)
& on Sunday
9am, 11am, 6.30pm

WEEKDAYS MASSES (or as announced) ■

Monday - 6pm
Tuesday 10am & 7pm
Thursday 10am
Friday 10am

CONFESSION

Tuesday 6pm
Adoration and Confession
(before 7pm Mass)



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5th April 2026

Easter Sunday A

First reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

Psalm Response:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it
and be glad.

Second reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Acclamation: Christ, our Passover lamb, has been
sacrificed; let us therefore celebrate the festival in the
Lord. Alleluia.

Gospel: John 11:1-45

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

"The public and private conduct of clergy and
religious can inspire and motivate people on the path
to holiness."

EXCERPT FROM: 'IN GOD'S IMAGE' 2021

Noreen Hickey, Parish Safeguarding Coordinator

PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers for those who are sick at
this time. Please pray for the repose of the soul Elaine
Montgomery and Sheila Raphael who died recently and
for all whose anniversaries occur about this time. **May
their souls, and the souls of all the faith departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

EMERGENCY AND SICK CALLS

In the case of emergencies or sick calls – contact
Hospital Chaplain – 07842 538056.

Children's Catechism

We know that some of our children are not attending
Catholic schools. This has presented some challenge with
their making their sacraments. We are planning to provide
catechism classes for those in this category. Details will
be communicated in the coming weeks.

Easter Sunday : *The tomb is empty!*

The story of the Resurrection of Jesus begins this year
with the testimony of Mary Magdalene that the tomb of
Jesus is empty. The body of Jesus could not be found in

there and not anywhere they can name. She went in haste
and told Peter and John of her discovery. They themselves
went and saw it as described by Mary Magdalene. At this,
they came to understand the scripture that he must rise
from the dead. Debates about the validity of the proof of
the Resurrection on grounds of the empty tomb are rife. It
remains true that the empty tomb cannot be taken to prove
beyond doubt that Jesus rose from the dead. However,
how can we make a case for his Resurrection and indeed
the resurrection of those who do good as well as believers
if we see his body lying in the tomb? While the empty
tomb cannot definitively prove Jesus' Resurrection, it
gives us ground to believe that he did rise if we consider
the other indications of this fact. The first reading did
point out the testimony of the Apostles, indeed of the Early
Church who eat with him after he rose from the dead.
Our joy lies in the faith that Jesus the Son of God is alive.
His resurrection is our hope. Because he lives, we live.
Therefore, let God's seeking hearts rejoice. Let those who
despair, take courage. Let the weary be strengthened.
Jesus is alive. He has triumphed over death, and has given
us life in abundance.

Parishioners' Form

The new parishioners' form is in the Church
porch for those whose records we do not have in
the parish. Those who wish to update their
details should do so as well. Fill and return to us
please.

St Andrew Cathedral Dundee: There will be
sung Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed
Sacrament on Easter Sunday in the Cathedral at
4pm, with the music led by members of the
Diocesan Choir.

Gift Aid Envelops: I wish to inform us that the
Gift Aid Envelops are now at the porch of the
Church for collection by the registered
members.

Toilets

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

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	MASS INTENTION	FEAST/MEMORIAL	EVENT	TIME
SATURDAY	04/04/26	James Black+	Easter Vigil		7pm
SUNDAY	05/04/26	Elaine Montgomery+	Easter Sunday		9am 11am 6.30pm
MONDAY	06/04/26	Phine Okwara	Easter Octave		6pm
TUESDAY	07/04/26		Easter Octave		10am
WEDNESDAY	08/04/26		Easter Octave		10am
THURSDAY	09/04/26	Sheila Raphael+	Easter Octave		10am
FRIDAY	10/04/26	People of the parish	Easter Octave		10am

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.

Parish Shop

The Parish Shop is open after the 11am Mass on Sundays, offering prayer books, First Communion and Confirmation cards.

RCIA UPDATE

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the official process by which the Roman Catholic Church welcomes and integrates adults into the faith. The Parish RCIA programme began on Wednesday 28th January 2026.

If anyone else is interested in learning more, they are invited to attend the next session in the Church Hall on Wednesday evenings at 6.30pm. The point of contact is Bill Millar or the parish priest. The next session will be on 15th April at 6.30pm. Moving forward, the catechism session will take place twice a month.

Requesting Mass: The Gift of the Mass

The Catholic Mass stands as the most powerful form of prayer, a divine conduit through which we can offer our deepest intentions. By requesting a Mass for someone, we engage in a

profound act of intercession, praying on their behalf. Pope Paul VI once proclaimed, “The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer.” Its immense power has wrought countless miracles and conversions throughout history. Offering Masses for specific intentions or individuals is a cherished tradition within the Church, carrying a spiritual significance that is beyond measure.

When we seek Mass for a particular intention, we invite divine presence to intervene in our lives and the lives of others. This sacred act unites our prayers with the ultimate sacrifice of Christ. Each Mass is a moment to adore, seek forgiveness, give thanks, and ask for divine help, making it an extraordinary treasure of the Church. The Holy Mass is for both the living and the dead.

If you wish to request a Mass, simply fill out an envelope now available at the back of the Church. After filling, can place it in the sacristy, hand it to one of the Fathers, or drop it in the letterbox at the Fathers’ House.

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