

St John the Baptist's, Perth

SUNDAY MASSES
4pm - Saturday Vigil
& on Sundays
9am, 11am & 6.30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES or as announced
6pm - Monday
10am & 7pm - Tuesday
10am - Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday

CONFESSION
6pm - Tuesday

ADORATION
6-7pm - Tuesday



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5th July 2026

14th Sunday of the Year A

First reading: Zachariah 9:9-10

Psalm Response:

I will bless your name for ever, my God and King

Second reading: Romans 8:11-13

Acclamation: I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children. Alleluia

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

"We endeavour to ensure that Church environments are welcoming, nurturing and safe."

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 souls of those who died recently, especially Anne Cox and Michael Mannion, and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time. **May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful 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.

14th Sunday of the Year A: *Come to me, and I will give you rest!* This gospel passage is referred to as **the great invitation** by some authors. Here, the king spoken about in the first reading, bringing salvation

and joy with him, is seen offering us an invitation. He is inviting us to true freedom. This freedom is attained by faith, love, fidelity, and charity. The second reading calls the life this King, Jesus the Christ, proposes, *life in the Spirit*. The messengers Jesus sent out returned with news of success. Jesus, filled with joy, in continuation of the work of ministry, offered God heartfelt thanks. He goes on to invite the people to accept the words spoken to them by the disciples. He had preached Jesus and his way. In such words are life and every good. The load of the Law and all its rituals, which weigh heavily on the people should be reconsidered. He is offering a better way which truly is not only easy and light, is also able to give rest. In him, in his kingdom, there is peace. We who believe are truly blessed. We will do well not to lose the mantle he has placed on us at baptism. May we go on to call everyone to this person, Jesus, who gives rest from all our labours.

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.

Change of Parish Phone Number: The parish phone number now is: **01738718473**. Please replace the former one with this.

Special Collection: There will be a special collection next weekend, July 11/12: **The Apostleship of the Sea**. Some envelopes from this organisation are in the Church porch. Please donate generously.

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	04/07/26	Anthony Hampton+	14 th Sunday of the Year A		4pm
SUNDAY	05/07/26	Mamie Canning+ Alistair Cargill+ John Angus+ Denise McLoughlin+	14 th Sunday of the Year A		9am 11am 6.30pm
MONDAY	06/07/26	Special Intention	Feria		6pm
TUESDAY	07/07/26	Eric Pallister(Health)	Feria	Confession, Exposition/Mass 6-7pm	10am 7pm
WEDNESDAY	08/07/26	Gilbert Rice+	Feria		10am
THURSDAY	09/07/26	Phyllis Ponsornby	Our Lady of Aberdeen		10am
FRIDAY	10/07/26	People of the parish	Feria		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 July at 6.30pm. Moving forward, the catechism session will take place once 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.

Food Bank: The next collection of non-perishable food for the Foodbank will be the weekend of 4th /5th July. Grateful thanks to all who give to this cause each month. A letter of THANKS for us all from the Food Bank is on the notice board in the hall. There will be no bacon rolls in June, July and August. Normal service will resume 1st Sunday in September. Many thanks.

Funeral Arrangements: There will be a funeral service in the Church for **Michael Mannion** on Thursday, 9 July @12noon. May we pray for the family at this time, and for his peaceful repose.

<p>Tea and Coffee after the 11am Mass on Sunday and 10am Mass on Tuesdays</p>
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