

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

Parish Priest: Very Rev. Louis Uwaezuoke, St John's Presbytery, 20 Melville Street, Perth, PH1 5PY (01738 718473)
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12th July 2026

15th Sunday of the Year A

First reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

Psalm Response:

Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit

Second reading: Romans 8:18-23

Acclamation: The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower; all who find him will live forever. Alleluia

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

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 Irene Jackson, 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.

15th Sunday of the Year A: *He who has ears, let him hear!* What is the Spirit saying to us this time? He is speaking to us in the second reading; 'the suffering of this present time is not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.' Therefore, let the

word of God in all its richness dwell in your heart. When his word abides in us, we joyfully navigate the challenges of this present age, and gain entry into the glorious future of the blessed. The efficacy of the word is sung in the day's Psalm. It makes the garden of our lives yield its fruit abundantly. We yield the fruit of joy, peace, patience, tolerance, endurance, forgiveness and love. The sufferings of our day in the form of opposition to truth, spread of dangerous philosophies, despair caused by uncertainties, discouraging patterns in the society, and the challenges of raising a generation that love God, will pass, and the peace the presence of God brings into every soul will flourish. Ours is to let the power of his Spirit overshadow us. In this way, we manifest to the world the sort of life that it longs for but cannot admit.

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 this weekend, July 11/12: **The Apostleship of the Sea**. Some envelopes from this organisation are in the Church porch. Please donate generously.

Mass for the sick: There will be Mass for the sick and anointing on Thursday, July 16 at the 10am Mass. May we tell others.

St Mary's Lochee Restoration Project proudly presents McGonagall's Ghost a Shoestring Theatre Production by John Quinn on Friday 21st August at 7pm. Entry £7. Tickets from 07752540000.

Also, A Night on the Tiles with Demi McMahon & Friends on Friday 28th August, Doors Open 6.30pm, Tickets £10 from 07806777157."

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	11/07/26	Anthony Hampson+ Rose Stevenson+	15 th Sunday of the Year A		4pm
SUNDAY	12/07/26	Winnie McEwan+ Dim Amanda (B'day) William Scally+ Hiroshi Imai+	15 th Sunday of the Year A		9am 11am 6.30pm
MONDAY	13/07/26	Noreen Hickey (B'day)	Feria		6pm
TUESDAY	14/07/26	Special intention	Feria	Confession, Exposition/Mass 6-7pm	10am 7pm
WEDNESDAY	15/07/26	Annie Carson+	St Bonaventure		10am
THURSDAY	16/07/26	Annie Boyle+ Anne Brown+	Feria	Mass for the sick/anoointing	10am
FRIDAY	17/07/26	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: 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 Mass in the Church for **Irene Jackson** on Wednesday, 22 July @10am. May we pray for her family at this time, and for her peaceful repose.

Readers' Rota: We kindly remind our dear readers that the rota is now available for collection in the sacristy. Pick up your own copy there please.

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