

St John the Baptist's, Perth

SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES or as announced

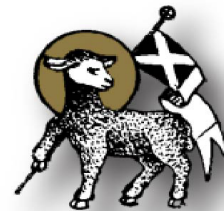
6pm - Monday
10am & 7pm - Tuesday
10am - Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday

CONFESSION

6pm - Tuesday

ADORATION

6-7pm - Tuesday



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26th July 2026

17th Sunday of the Year A

First reading: 1 Kings 3:5-6, 7-12

Psalm Response:

O Lord, how I love your law.

Second reading: Romans 8:28-30

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

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

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 Ailsa Aitkins, Irene Jackson
and Anne Cox, 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.

17th Sunday of the Year A: Give your servant an
understanding mind! How can one discover the
hidden treasure of inestimable value? It can only be
by a discerning or understanding mind, which is the

gift of the Holy Spirit. The kingdom of God or rather
the ways of the Lord is a treasure of great value.
Those who find their way in are blessed indeed. The
words of Jesus in the gospel stands true; seek ye first
the kingdom of heaven, and every other thing shall
be added unto you. This is the story of King Solomon
in the first reading of today. He was given an open
check. He wrote on it **the ways of the Lord** as his
choice. He made the right choice, and that ultimately
brought every other thing he needed to him. The
choice he made determined the path of his life as a
leader. He asked the wisdom of God to be able to lead
uprightly, discerning between good and evil, right
and wrong. The right choice and right intentions
bring with them every other favour that keep the
individual going. The things that we must let go to
be in the place of goodness must not be delayed.
Discover this treasure. Choose rightly and wisely.

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.

A Call for Help: A parishioner, **Georgina Campbell
Rutherford-Ross**, living in **108 Dunkeld Road, Perth, PH1
5AS**, is wondering if someone/people could help cut the grass in
her garden as she has been let down several times by people who
promised her help with that. Go with lawn mower please.

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	25/07/26	Kate Campbell+ John Horn+	17 th Sunday of the Year A		4pm
SUNDAY	26/07/26	Daniel Scally+ Maud McNeill+ William Gordon+	17 th Sunday of the Year A		9am 11am 6.30pm
MONDAY	27/07/26	Special intention	Feria		6pm
TUESDAY	28/07/26	William Russell Rodger+	Feria	Confession, Exposition/Mass 6-7pm	10am 7pm
WEDNESDAY	29/07/26	Mary McBride+	SS Martha, Mary & Lazarus		10am
THURSDAY	30/07/26	Elizabeth & David Smith+	Feria		10am
FRIDAY	31/07/26	Anne/Andrew Mitchell (Golden wed ann.)	St Ignatius of Loyola		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 29th 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.

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.

Golden Wedding Anniversary: Anne and Andrew Mitchell are inviting us to a refreshment in the hall after the 10am Mass on Friday 31st July to mark their golden wedding anniversary.

Mission Appeal: The Mill Hill Missionaries will be coming for their mission appeal in our parish on 1/2 August 2026. May we support them.

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