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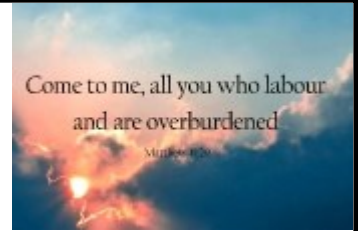
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**14th Sunday of Year A**  
**9th July 2023**  
**SEA SUNDAY**  
**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF ABERDEEN**



**This week:**

**Today:** Mass at 10.00 a.m.  
**Monday:** Mass at 9.30 a.m.  
**Tuesday:** Mass at 9.30 a.m. [Feast of St Benedict]  
 Prayer Group in Little Chapel at 7.00 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Mass at 9.30 a.m.  
 Adoration until 11.00 a.m.  
**Thursday:** Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.  
 Wedding Mass in St Mary's. Stirling at 1.00 p.m.  
 Adoration until 11.00 a.m.  
**Friday:** Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.  
**Saturday:** No Morning Services  
 Vigil Mass at 6.00p.m.  
**Sunday:** 15th Sunday of the year [Year A]  
 Mass at 10.00

*During July & August there will be no Liturgy of the Word and Communion Services on Saturday mornings. There is Mass each Saturday in the Cathedral and in St Mary's, Lochee at 10.00 a.m.*

*Welcome to Fr Jim walls who will celebrate our Vigil Mass this weekend.*

**Hospital Chaplaincy and Visitation**

If you or a loved one is in hospital and wish a visit, the chaplain can be contacted by pager [07821 624124] or through the hospital switchboard on 01382 660111.

*Of your charity, please pray for:*

**Our recently deceased:** Kathleen Reilly & Margaret Cattigan

**And for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Nancy Dolan, Christine Walker, Irene Drysdale, John Dorward, Mabel Macgregor & Eddie Cleary

**And for those sick:** Claire Walker, Sheila Brown & Nell Devlin

## SUNDAY TEAS/COFFEE

Each Sunday after 10 o'clock Mass tea and coffee and cake are available in the parish Centre. The group who organise this see it as opportunity for parishioners to meet for a chat and any money raised is passed to SCIAF. Please feel free to pop in for a few minutes after Mass.

## FINANCE NEWS

Last weeks Collection was £1040.50  
[Gift Aid was £515.50]

The SECOND COLLECTION for PETER'S PENCE was £283

SECOND COLLECTION for SEA SUNDAY will be taken up this weekend

## PARKING AT CHURCH

Please do not park on double yellow lines unless you have a blue badge. Recently some people have been issued with parking tickets.

## CHURCH CLEANING

The next cleaning of the Church will be this Monday, 10th July, after 9.30 a.m. Mass. Please help if you can.

## APPOINTMENT

Canon Kevin, our Diocesan Administrator has appointed Fr Malcolm Hutchison to be assistant priest here in our parish from early August, Fr Malcolm was ordained last year and returned to Rome to complete his studies. He will assist Fr Jim Walls and the hospital chaplaincy team and also visit St John' High School as well as assisting in the parish. I know he will receive a warm welcome as he begins his parish ministry here in St Peter and Paul's.

## HOLIDAYS

After a wedding in Stirling on Thursday I shall be on holiday until Tuesday 25th July. I will be having some eye surgery in Ninewells on 26th July to correct my vision which was impaired during chemotherapy.

Fr Ian Wilson OSA will be residing in the parish during this time. Fr Ian will celebrate our Mass on the weekends of 15/16 and 22/23 July. During this time if he is available he will celebrate a morning Mass at 9.30 a.m. On the days he is not available there will be a Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion at 9.30 from Monday to Friday. There will be no services on Saturday mornings during July and August.

Mass on Saturday mornings at 10.00 a.m., in St Andrew's Cathedral and St Mary's, Lochee.



**Our Lady of Aberdeen** is a type of Madonna and Child statuettes copied from the Notre Dame du Bon Succès statuette located in Brussels. Such replicas are to be found across the North East of Scotland.

It is believed that the statue in Brussels may have been in Old Aberdeen as early as 1450. References to a statue in a Chapel at the Bridge of Dee in Aberdeen suggest that it may have been placed there by Bishop Gavin Dunbar of Aberdeen (1514-1531).

At the beginning of the Scottish Reformation (c. 1559) many religious objects from churches in Aberdeen and the St Machar's Cathedral in Old Aberdeen were given for safe keeping to Catholic sympathisers. It is claimed that the statue was in the hands of a Catholic family, the Gordons of Strathbogie, until 1625. It was then sent to the Low Countries by a William Laing, thought to be the Procurer for the Kings of Spain to the Infanta Isabella Clara Eugenia in Brussels.

The Catholic Church in Scotland celebrates 9 July as Our Lady of Aberdeen Day

## REFLECTION FOR TODAY

Put your hand in the hand of the man from Galilee" was the refrain of a popular Gospel song some years back. Putting your hand in somebody else's is a gesture of intimacy, which is very characteristic children with their parents. To a loving father or mother a child will give its hand unquestioningly, with complete trust. Holding his or her father's hand there is nowhere the child will not venture. It is not only willing to be led, but positively wants to be brought somewhere. Somewhere in the growing up process we outgrow our dependency on our parents, and having lost the need for their guidance, even God can become remote for us. Only those who are children at heart can fully understand what Jesus tells us about God — that God reveals Himself to "mere children."

Growing up means ceasing to be dependent. We exchange a child's dependence on people for an adult's dependence on things, like money, alcohol, success and influence. But these props are notoriously fickle and the adult world is often plagued by stress and anxiety. Our props may provide temporary relief but can still leave us — as Jesus puts it — "labouring and burdened;" labouring under illusions of grandeur and burdened with unrealistic targets. The heaviest load we have to carry is that of our own unfulfilled ambitions, the burden of our bruised egos. Only a return to humility can restore our lost innocence and our lost paradise., that honest humility that accepts our creature-status, our status as children before God. To enjoy the peace of Christ we must "put our hand in the hand of the man from Galilee', who guides us along life's journey and helps us to find the way home.

'Come to me', he says, 'all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest.' In spite of all our problems, we trust him when he says, my yoke is easy and my burden light.



## SEA SUNDAY

There are times when many of us feel overburdened in our daily life. There can be so many demands, so much to do.

For seafarers, life at sea can be extremely challenging. They are often far from their families and loved ones for long periods of time, working long hours, and facing the threats of accidents, piracy, and harsh weather conditions. And when they come into port in a foreign land, they know no one.



Amid these challenges, Stella Maris provides a beacon of hope and support to seafarers. Its chaplains and volunteers offer the hand of friendship and listen to the concerns of the seafarers they meet. They help seafarers to contact their families back home, take them to Mass, or arrange for a priest to come on board, provide transport to local shops, and help to resolve problems of missing pay or sub-standard conditions.

Just as Jesus offers rest to those who are burdened and weary, Stella Maris offers refuge and support to seafarers who are facing the challenges of life at sea. Its chaplains and volunteers are the hands and feet of Jesus in this world, bringing comfort to seafarers.

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health.

Sea Sunday is Sunday 9th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea.



## NEWSLETTER

There will be no newsletter over the summer. The next newsletter will be the weekend of 6/7 August.

The names of our deceased, and those whose anniversaries occur and our sick will be announced at Mass

Our First Communicants received their certificates at the final school Mass of the term.

Happy Holidays to all our teachers and pupils. Stay Safe