



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL & ST ANDREW'S, RAVELSTON

Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh

Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year A

Sunday, 8th October 2023

MASS TIMES IN THE CATHEDRAL (*Broughton Street, Edinburgh, EH1 3JR*)

| Day | Time | Holy Day | Mass Intention |
|----------------------|---------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Sunday 8 October | 6.00pm | | People of the Parish |
| | 9.00am | | Carlito Valdez Pascua, RIP |
| | 10.30am | | Polish |
| | 12.00pm | | Rustico Rodil, RIP |
| | 6.00pm | | Polish |
| | 7.30pm | | Oliver Christian Rodil and Family |
| Monday 9 October | 10.00am | | Special Intention |
| | 12.45pm | | Teofila Fernandes, RIP |
| | 6.00pm | | Polish |
| Tuesday 10 October | 10.00am | | People of Sierra Leone |
| | 12.45pm | | Xavier Demel |
| | 6.00pm | | Polish |
| Wednesday 11 October | 10.00am | St. John XXIII | Teresa Lehane |
| | 12.45pm | | Antonio Figueredo, RIP |
| | 6.00pm | | Polish |
| Thursday 12 October | 10.00am | | Special Intention |
| | 12.45pm | | Sister Rose Harding, RSCJ, RIP |
| | 6.00pm | | Polish |
| Friday 13 October | 10.00am | | Special Intention |
| | 12.45pm | | Teresa Boni, RIP |
| | 6.00pm | | Polish |
| Saturday 14 October | 9.00am | St. Callistus | Polish |
| | 10.00am | | Special Intention |
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| Confessions: | Monday-Friday | After the 12.45pm Mass 5.00pm to 6.00pm 8.00am-9.00am | (English) (Polish) (Polish) |
| | Saturday | 10.30am-12noon, 5-5.45pm | (English) (English) |
| Exposition: | Saturday | 10.30am to 12noon | |

MASS TIMES IN ST ANDREW'S, RAVELSTON (*77 Belford Road, Edinburgh, EH4 3DS*)

| Day | Time | Holy Day | Mass Intention |
|----------------------|---------|----------------|-------------------|
| Sunday 8 October | 10.30am | | Seema Saeed |
| Monday 9 October | 6.00pm | | Joy Lewis, RIP |
| Tuesday 10 October | 6.00pm | | Special Intention |
| Wednesday 11 October | 6.00pm | St. John XXIII | Special Intention |
| Thursday 12 October | 6.00pm | | Special Intention |
| Friday 13 October | 6.00pm | q | Special Intention |

PARISH OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL & ST ANDREW'S, RAVELSTON

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| | Father Robert Taylor (Assistant Priest) | | |
| | Father John Peter Sippai Siluvappan (Assistant Priest & Hospital Chaplain) | | |
| | Father Tadeusz Puton (Polish Chaplain) | | |
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“May the angels lead her into paradise...” Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Nicholson, RIP, whose funeral will be Wednesday, 4 October, 12:45pm here at the Cathedral

Baptisms: The next Baptism Preparation Course will be held on Microsoft Teams on Saturday 4 November, 2:30pm. To register your child for baptism, email cathedralhouse@stmaryscathedral.co.uk.

Marriages: Couples should contact the parish office at least six months prior to their proposed wedding.

Hospital Chaplains: To contact the hospital chaplains, please phone 07970 537 432 for Western General and 0131 536 1000 for the Royal Infirmary and ask for the priest on call.

Collection: Sunday, 1st October 2023, Cathedral Offertory £2,641.89, St Andrew's Church Offertory £346.01, Jessie's Box (Parish Project) £45.42.



CATHEDRAL HYMNS FOR SUNDAY MASS

1. Alleluia, sing to Jesus,
His the sceptre, His the throne;
alleluia, His the triumph,
His the victory alone:
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood:
Jesus, out of ev'ry nation
hath redeemed us by His blood.

2. Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia, He is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how;
though the cloud from sight received
Him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget His promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3. Alleluia, bread of angels,
here on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia, here the sinful
come to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

4. Alleluia, King eternal,
He the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia, born of Mary,
earth His footstool,
heav'n His throne;
He within the veil has entered
robed in flesh, our great High Priest
He on earth both priest and victim
in the Eucharistic Feast.

1. Christ be beside me,
Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me,
King of my heart.
Christ be within me,
Christ be below me,
Christ be above me, never to part.

2. Christ on my right hand,
Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping,
Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising, light of my heart.

3. Christ be in all hearts
thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,
in ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

1. Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.
come, bow before Him now,
with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.

2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

3. Be still for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him,
in faith receive from Him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.



1. Hail, Queen of heav'n, the ocean star,
guide of the wand'rer here below;
thrown on life's surge,
we claim thy care;
save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, star of the sea,
pray for the wand'rer, pray for me

2. O gentle, chaste and spotless maid,
we sinners make
our prayers through thee;
remind thy Son that He has paid
the price of our iniquity.
Virgin most pure, star of the sea
pray for the sinner, pray for me.

3. Sojourners in this vale of tears,
to thee, blest advocate, we cry;
pity our sorrows, calm our fears,
and soothe with hope our misery.
Refuge in grief, star of the sea,
pray for the mourner, pray for me.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

First reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

Against the Lord's vineyard

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard.

My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 79(80):9,12-16,19-20

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Second reading

Philippians 4:6-9

If there is anything you need, pray for it.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel

Matthew 21:33-43

This is the landlord's heir: come, let us kill him

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

PARISH NOTICES

'Searching for Jesus in the Gospel of Mark'

It is only two weeks now until our Gospel of Mark Event. If you haven't yet booked your tickets - now is the time to do so!! Either just put "Searching for Jesus Eventbrite" into Google or follow the link at bit.ly/Jesus-in-GospelofMark.

And remember to forward the promotional video to anyone who you think might be interested:

<https://youtu.be/zNALK8pPxqs>

Or watch the film now by following the QR code:



Young Adults Group this Tuesday at 7pm with Fr. Matthew Jarvis, OP

'Is Pagan Philosophy Part of Christian Tradition?' Find out at this week's Young Adults Group talk by Fr. Matthew Jarvis, OP. All those between the ages of 18-35 are welcome to the weekly meetings. We meet at 63 York Place at 7:00pm for tea and coffee followed by the talk and discussion at 7.30pm. Each session concludes with Night Prayer and the chance to socialise at a local pub. See the poster in the Octagon for more details!

Youth Group Every Sunday at Ravelston

The Youth Group has returned! It meets every Sunday evening at St Andrew's, Ravelston from 6 to 7.30pm. You can register today using the QR code on the postcards or posters dotted around the parish or by turning up on the night and filling in a form. It is a one off £1 registration fee for the year and every evening involves games, activities to learn about the faith before prayer to conclude the night. Don't forget some spending money for the tuckshop too.

Thank You for Big Clean!

A massive thank you to all those who turned out last Saturday afternoon to help to deep clean the areas of the Cathedral which are difficult to do on a regular basis. I think the results of their efforts should have been obvious to anyone visiting the Cathedral this weekend. Every chair was polished, cobwebs were banished from windows and the kneelers were all washed and rubbed down amongst much else. We were at least 11 nationalities and ranged in age from 12 – 80 something. It was really uplifting to be part of such a cross section of our wonderfully diverse community joining together with a common aim. A special thank you to all the regular cleaning volunteers for coming in for a second time in a week to lead the efforts and organise us all. Alice

Catenian Association Meetings for Catholic Men on 18th October

The Catenian Association invites all Catholic men, married or single, to their next meeting on Wednesday, 18th October, at 7.00 p.m. in 63 York Place. The Association is an international body of Catholic laymen who meet once a month and offer friendship and support. For more information contact John Russell at 01555 728032 or membership@thecatenians.com.

First Reconciliation Classes Begin Today, Class Diary Dates

First Confession/ Reconciliation classes start today from 9:30am in the Parish Rooms at St Andrew's, Ravelston. Mark your diary with class dates for the year.

| <i>ALL Classes take place at St Andrews, 77 Belford Road EH4 3DS during school term times</i> | | |
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| Sacrament | Class Schedule | Class Time |
| First Reconciliation | 8 Oct 2023 – 4 Feb 2024 | Sunday 9:30am – 10:15am |
| First Holy Communion | 25 Feb 2024 – 2 June 2024 | Sunday 9:30am – 10:15am |
| Confirmation | 28 Jan 2024 – 12 May 2024 | Sunday 5pm-6pm |

Over Sixties Coffee Afternoon and Outing to Earl Haig Poppy Factory

Join us for the Over Sixties Coffee Afternoon on Tuesdays 2.30 pm till 4pm in Coffee Saints. All newcomers are very welcome! Also, we will have an outing to Earl Haig Poppy Factory on Wednesday 11 October 1.30-3pm, Logie Green Road, with coffee at a local café afterwards. If you'd like to come along contact Trish on 07716 963215 or sign up at the Coffee Afternoon.

Teams of Our Lady to Help Married Couples, Tuesday, 10th October

Teams of Our Lady is a worldwide lay movement within the Catholic Church that aims to help married couples grow in their love of Christ and each other, recognising that Christian marriage is a precious gift that we need to nurture. Teams consist of four to six couples and a spiritual counsellor, often a priest, who meet roughly once a month in each other's homes becoming, over time, a strong supportive group. If you would like to find out more there will be an open information evening on Tuesday 10 October, 6:30pm-7:30pm in Ss John Cantius & Nicholas church hall, Broxburn, EH52 5RJ

Fabric Update from Alice

Since I last wrote an update on fabric matters, glazing has featured quite large in my life with the return to site of the windows repaired thanks to your Lenten giving. The internal stained-glass window in the Octagon has been lit from behind so that it glows to match its pair, and some of you may also have noticed that the window featuring St Stanislaw Kostka in the left aisle of the Sanctuary has been repaired, and the saint has regained his feet after many years without them. This repair was carried out thanks to a substantial donation for this purpose, and we have also been the beneficiaries of another thoughtful gift in the shape of a wheelchair for use in the Cathedral. Both donors wish to remain anonymous, but we are most grateful for their great generosity. If you have used the Coffee Saints café toilets, you will have seen that the tidying up work to the taps and basin areas have been completed, and at York Place the roofs of 61 and 63 received an overhaul during August and early September. Although there is progress, my to do list of jobs large and small is sitting at around 125 items, so I anticipate remaining busy! Thank you for all your assistance in spotting things that need doing. – Alice

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is the shared responsibility of everyone to ensure the safety and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults. It is also about ensuring the safe behaviour of everyone who has a duty of care within our Catholic communities, whether they are ordained or lay, and whether they work in a paid or voluntary role. Safeguarding is not only a way to respond to harm, but must be proactive in the prevention of any form of abuse or harm. You can find more information on the posters in church, online (<https://www.scssa.org.uk/Safeguarding>) or contact Chris McCabe, Parish Safeguarding Convenor (Chris.McCabe@staned.org.uk, phone: 0131 556 1798). All volunteers must follow the approved recruitment process before they can start their volunteer role. If you have not completed and obtained written approval as part of your volunteer role, then please contact Chris McCabe. The Bishops' Conference of Scotland has a mandatory Reporting Policy which requires all safeguarding allegations to be reported to Police Scotland, whether the accused is alive or deceased.

RAVELSTON NOTICES

Rosary Before Mass During October

During the month of October, the rosary will begin at 5:30pm before Mass at St. Andrew's, Ravelston, and on Wednesday will be prayed before the Blessed Sacrament during Adoration. This is a beautiful and prayerful devotion to undertake during the month of Our Lady.

Each Wednesday 5.00pm Adoration & Confession

Stop in at St. Andrew's, Ravelston on Wednesdays and spend some time with Jesus Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. Beginning from 5pm, we have Eucharistic Adoration, and a priest is available to hear Confessions, too. This is an opportunity to allow yourself some quiet, peaceful time to pray. Our Lord is waiting for you, so come and meet Him!

St Andrew's Social Calendar

The parish's social team met this past week and confirmed the following dates for upcoming events:

- St Andrew's Supper on 30th November. To celebrate the National and Parish patron you're invited to a celebratory supper in the parish rooms following 6pm Mass. More details soon!
- Christmas Eve Social on 24th December: Following Carols & Vigil Mass, all are welcome to the parish rooms for our Christmas Eve social.
- National Bard with Burns Supper on Friday 26th January, 2024: We are delighted to team up with St Margaret's in Davidson's Mains to celebrate this event.
- Afternoon Tea on Friday, 26th April – Join us for a lovely afternoon tea. More details to follow.
- Annual Parish Barbecue on Sunday, 1st September – Our parish BBQ gathering will be held in the grounds of St Andrew's.

We look forward to seeing you at these various events. The social team are always looking for new volunteers to help support the social life of the parish! Please speak to Fr Robert if you'd like to help out. Keep an eye on the newsletter for additional social events during the course of the year.

St Andrew's Talks

Our next talk will be on Monday, 30th October from 6.45pm with Anthony Horan, the Director of the Catholic Parliamentary Office, to discuss the work of the office and the representation of our faith in the political forum.

OTHER NOTICES

Synod Prayer

Archbishop Cushley encourages us to pray for the success of the Synod of Bishops, which is taking place in Rome throughout October: *We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.*

All Souls' Day

Archbishop Cushley will offer Holy Mass for the repose of all the faithful departed who have died in the Archdiocese in the last year. It takes place on All Souls' Day, Thursday 2 November at 10am in the Chapel at Mount Vernon Cemetery, 49 Mount Vernon Road, Edinburgh, EH16 6JG. All welcome.

Vocations Retreat

Thinking about a vocation to the religious life? Join other young women at a retreat in Edinburgh led by Sr Mirjam Hugens FSO, the Archdiocesan Director for Religious Vocations. It takes place from 3-5 November 2023 at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street, EH9 1SN. Email religiousvocations@staned.org.uk

Vocations Mass

The next Mass to pray for Vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the Archdiocese is on Tuesday 31 October at 7pm at St Margaret's, Drip Road, Raploch, Stirling, FK9 4UA.

Tea Dance at Coffee Saints

Coffee Saints is hosting a Tea Dance on Wednesday, 22 November, 2:00pm-5:00pm. Grab your dance partner and join in for cake, tea and dancing to some fantastic live music! Tickets at Coffee Saints, £15pp.



Coffee Saints

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