



ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, 17 MAY 2026

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Monday - 7th Wk of Eastertide

9.30am - Holy Mass
6pm - May Devotions

Tuesday - 7th Wk of Eastertide

9.30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday - 7th Wk of Eastertide

6-6.45pm - Exposition & Confession
6.45pm - Benediction

Thursday - 7th WK of Eastertide

9:30am - Holy Mass

Friday - St Rita of Cascia

9:30am - Holy Mass

Saturday - Our Lady

9.30am - Holy Mass
10am - Confessions
5-5.15pm - Confessions
6pm - Vigil of Pentecost

THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

6pm - Vigil Mass
9:30am - Holy Mass
11.30am - Holy Mass

and so Eastertide ends

Your Gift to God and His Church: which includes standing orders: £1315.

Communications Sunday: today the second collection goes to the Communications office of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland. Kindly use Gift Aid envelopes if you have them.

Prayers: we remember the first holy communicants, the sick and housebound who can't make it to Mass and those who are lapsed.

Of your charity, pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mr Terence Kelly RIP of Anderson Crescent who died on 5 May aged 84 years. Mr Kelly's remains will be received into the church on Monday, 25 May at 5.00pm with the Requiem Mass on Tuesday, 26 May at 9.30am. ✠*Requiescat in pace*✠

The Apostles' Creed: During Eastertide, we will say the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit [bow], born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

The Youth Club is on Thursdays in the hall from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. Children from p5 up can attend.

Teas after the 9.30am Mass. Don't rush away after Mass and come in for a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of toast.

Forty Hours' Adoration will be from 29 to 31 May (Friday to Monday). Sign up sheets for hours of watch will be available next weekend. Candles to burn before the monstrance for particular prayer intentions will also be available.

Forty Hours' Holy Hour: Father Jamie McMorris will come to give a Holy Hour during our Forty Hours' adoration: Friday, 29 May at 6.30pm. Father McMorris is a great preacher so you should definitely come!

May Devotions: tomorrow, Monday, at 6.00pm: the Rosary, a short Marian reflection, Exposition and Benediction.

Bring Flowers of the Rarest: feel free to bring flowers to keep our Lady's altar beautiful during the month of May. Leave them near her altar or bring them to the sacristy and they will be placed.

Scam Emails: be cautious of emails or messages claiming to be from priests or parishes asking for money or gift cards. Do not respond or send money. Our parish will never request funds in this way. Report suspicious messages to the parish office.

Save the dates!

May 29 - 40 Hours' Adoration
June 7 - *Corpus Christi* (Galashiels)
June 14 - St Margaret's Pilgrimage (Dunf.)
June 21 - Confirmations - Archbishop
June 27 - The Jersey Tones (social)
June 28 - Blessing of the Graves

Mothers and Daughters: May Crowning and Procession:

Mothers and Daughters of all ages are invited by the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma for an afternoon to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary. Activities include a May Crowning and procession, Marian crafts and cookie decorating. The event is hosted on Saturday 23 May from 1:00-2:30pm at St. Andrew's, 77 Belford Rd. Edinburgh, EH4 3DS. RSVP by 20 May to edinburgh@almamercy.org.

Preparing For Pentecost (next Sunday)

We are in the midst of a Pentecost novena (nine days of prayer), asking for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our parish and the whole Church. The prayer is below. **We will say it together publicly at the end of all the Masses until next Saturday so keep it handy.**

Novena for the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Christ Jesus, before ascending into heaven, You promised to send the Holy Spirit.

Grant us the **Spirit of Fear** of the Lord that we may be filled with a loving reverence towards You.

The **Spirit of Piety** that we may find peace & fulfilment in the service of God while serving others.

The **Spirit of Fortitude** that we may bear our cross with courage and overcome the obstacles that lead to our salvation.

The **Spirit of Knowledge** that we may know You, ourselves & grow in holiness.

The **Spirit of Understanding** to enlighten our minds with the light of Your truth.

The **Spirit of Counsel** that we may do Your will seeking first Your Kingdom.

Grant us the **Spirit of Wisdom** that we may aspire to the things that last forever.

Teach us to be faithful disciples & lead us in Your ways. Amen.

Seminarian: on 15 June we will welcome Max Megaffin, a seminarian for the Diocese of Salina, Kansas in the United States who is undertaking priestly studies at the Pontifical North American College. He is a keen golfer so if anyone could arrange for him to get a round or two somewhere, I'm sure he'd appreciate that. Please make him welcome, as you always do.

Faith Summertime: our annual summer camp for children (10 to 15 years) at Ampleforth College, 20 - 23 July. This is a wonderful few days away in the surroundings of the beautiful Ampleforth College with games, activities, Mass, talks and a trip to Flamingo Land. £180 - subsidies available. Open to all the children of the parish. Speak to Father Deeley for details.

Summer Conference for Young Catholics: 27 - 31 July at Ampleforth College for young Catholics aged 16 to 30. The title of the conference is *Who am I?: Identity, Destiny and what it means to be Human*. £240 or £215 for unwaged/student. Subsidies available. Speak to Father Deeley to get a form. It's a great few days away.

The Jersey Tones: are coming to Kilsyth for a parish social - Saturday, 27 June. Tickets on sale soon. You WILL NOT want to miss this one so save the date. And...back by popular demand, 'ABBA' will be here again in November! Thanks to our marvellous social committee for getting this all going.

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) invites you to the Camp Out for Hope on Saturday, 30 May - Sunday, 31 May, Carfin Grotto, 8pm - 8am. This will be a powerful event to show solidarity with our suffering and displaced Christian brothers and sisters around the world. Join us for an all-night prayer vigil, learn more about ACN and have time to socialise and build new friendships!

Corpus Christi Procession led by Archbishop Cushley, takes place at Our Lady & St Andrew's, Stirling Street, Galashiels, at 3pm on Sunday, 7 June. Sign up at the back of the church if you would like to travel in the minibus. Other parishes generously supported our *Corpus Christi* procession last year so it would be good to return the compliment.

St Margaret Pilgrimage: Sunday, 14 June, Dunfermline: 12pm Angelus at St Margaret's Cave; 1pm Prayers at Dunfermline Abbey; 2pm Procession from Glen Gates to St Margaret's Church; 3pm Mass at St Margaret's Church, offered by Archbishop Cushley. Sign up at the back for the minibus.

Mass for Married & Engaged Couples

A reminder that the annual Mass for Married and Engaged Couples is at St Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral on Friday, 19 June. We celebrate couples who are marking significant milestones in their married life: submit names and relevant details (vemarriage@staned.org.uk) so that they receive a special invitation to attend from the Archbishop.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SACRED SCRIPTURE

[*Always read through the scriptures prayerfully before Holy Mass*].

Entrance Antiphon

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 1:12-14

After Jesus was taken up into heaven the Apostles returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers and sisters.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 27 (26) I believe I shall see the LORD'S goodness in the land of the living.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? **R**

There is one thing I ask of the LORD, only this do I seek:
to live in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to gaze on the beauty of the LORD,
to enquire at his temple. **R**

O LORD, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer me.
Of you my heart has spoken,
'Seek his face.' **R**

Second Reading 1 Peter 4:13-16

Beloved: Rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evildoer, or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name.

th in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord. I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

Alleluia.

Gospel John 17:1-11

At that time: Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. 'I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you.'

Communion Antiphon

Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia.