



# St Patrick's Catholic Church

## THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST, 8 JUNE 2025

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SPIRITUS**

### **PENTECOST SUNDAY**

6pm - Vigil Mass  
9.30am - Holy Mass  
11.30am - Holy Mass  
5.00pm - Vigil of Reception

### **Monday - Feast of St Columba**

9.30am - Requiem Mass

### **Tuesday - FERIA**

8.30am - Exposition  
9.30am - Holy Mass

### **Wednesday - St Barnabas**

6pm - Exposition & Confessions  
7pm - Holy Mass

### **Thursday - FERIA**

8.30 - Exposition  
9.30am - Holy Mass

### **Friday - St Anthony of Padua**

8.30 - Exposition  
9.30am - Holy Mass

### **Saturday - Our Lady's Saturday**

8.30 - Exposition  
9.30am - Holy Mass  
Confessions after Mass  
5.15-5.45pm - Confessions  
6pm - Vigil Mass

**Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc. Sun**

**Of your charity** pray for the happy repose of the souls of Mr James Rae of Craigends Court. His remains will be received into church tonight at 5.00pm and the Requiem Mass will be offered for the happy repose of his soul tomorrow at 9.30am; Mr James Hannigan of High Barwood who died on Wednesday. His remains will be received into church prior to the Requiem Mass on Monday, 16 June at 9.30am and; Mrs Doris Toner, sister of former parish priest Canon Tracey, whose remains will be received into St Machan's, Lennoxton on Thursday, 12 June at 6.00pm with the Requiem Mass on Friday, 13 June at 10.00am ✠*Requiescant in pace*✠

### **Parish events this week**

Sun 10am - Tea / Coffee in hall  
Mon 10am - Tea / coffee in hall  
10.30am - Men's Group  
Wed 12 noon - Welcome Group

**Many thanks** to all those who helped to prepare the children, the church, the flowers, the liturgy and the hall for the lovely celebration of Confirmation that we had last Sunday with the Archbishop.

### **Save the dates!**

June 8 - St Margaret's Pilgrimage  
June 14 - Outing to North Berwick  
June 20 - 40 Hours' Adoration  
June 22 - ***CORPUS CHRISTI***  
**PROCESSION LED BY THE ARCHBISHOP**  
Jun 29 - Blessing of the Graves

**Parish Day Out to North Berwick** next Saturday. The bus will leave after the 9.30am morning Mass. Three places have become available. 'Phone the chapel house if you're interested.

**Forty Hours' Adoration** starts on Friday, 20 June at 5.00pm. Please sign up for hours of watch - we would like at least two people in the church at all times.

**40 Hours' Candles** to burn for your intentions before the Blessed Sacrament, £3. Candles will be available on the table at the back along with labels to write intentions. Please leave labelled candle on the table and these will be placed on the sanctuary for the duration of the 40 Hours'.

**Summer Camp 2025!** the hugely successful summer camp returns, 21 - 24 July, 10- to 15-year-olds, £180, including accommodation, food and entry into Flamingo Land. subsidies available. Details to follow. Speak to one of the fathers. It's always great fun.

**Corpus Christi Procession 2025** the Archbishop will lead the Archdiocesan *Corpus Christi* procession in our parish. This is a tremendous honour for us and our town. Catholics and clergy from around the Archdiocese are invited to come for the procession round our town with the Blessed Sacrament: departing from the church at 3.00pm on the Solemnity of *Corpus Christi*, 22 June. We should make a point of being here in good numbers to welcome our many guests to the parish.

**The Archbishop** will say the 11.30am Mass on *Corpus Christi*. Over *Corpus Christi* weekend we will also welcome back the Reverend Matthew McCafferty, a newly minted deacon for the Archdiocese. Matthew was on placement with us last summer. Deacon McCafferty will preach at all the Masses that weekend.

**Home Baking** would be greatly appreciated for the teas after the procession. Any baking can be handed into the hall on Saturday 21 June.

**St Margaret's Pilgrimage** to Dunfermline today (Sunday). Leaving at 10.30am. There are still some places on the minibus. Sign up at the back. Father Moir will join the pilgrims.

**Jubilee Year Picnic for Families** 28 June, 11am - 4pm at The Gillis Centre, EH9 1BB: spiritual talks, games for children, rosary at the Grotto and Holy Mass in St Margaret's Chapel.

**St Patrick's Parish glittering social life continues** experience *la dolce vita* with our **Spag & Social**, Saturday, 23 August; take a very civilized **Afternoon Cream Tea** with friends on 21 September and; get those flares dry cleaned for the **Abba Tribute Night** on 29 November. Details to follow! Save the dates!

**Sequence** Today the Sequence of Pentecost *Veni Sancte Spiritus* comes immediately after the second reading. The Sequence of Pentecost is an ancient hymn asking for the Spirit to fall afresh on the Church in our time. **We will say the sequence at the Vigil Mass [English words overleaf]** and it will be sung at the 9.30am and 11.30am Masses. **After the second reading, remain seated for the Sequence and then stand as usual for the Gospel Acclamation.**

**The end of Paschaltide** Easter lasts for a total of 50 days, from Easter Sunday until the feast of Pentecost (which is derived from the Greek word *pentecoste* meaning "50th").

**Vigil Readings for Pentecost** are different from those to be read on Pentecost Sunday. The readings for the Vigil are taken from Genesis 11:1-9 and Romans 8:22-32.

**Your Gift to God and His Church** which includes standing orders: £1621 and Communication Sunday £458.

**The Venerable Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage Day** is on Sunday, 21 September 2025 at St Patricks in the Cowgate.

**Day for Life - Special Collection next Sunday** The second collection will be taken for the work of the apostolate of life. Please use Gift Aid envelopes if you have them.

**Study Catholic Theology in Edinburgh**

Interested in finding out more about the MA in Applied Catholic Theology at St Mary's University Scottish campus in Edinburgh? An online information event takes place at 6:00pm on Tuesday 17 June where you can hear from staff and current students. Register at [bit.ly/stmarysuni](http://bit.ly/stmarysuni) or email [stephen.dolan@stmarys.ac.uk](mailto:stephen.dolan@stmarys.ac.uk)

**Do you pay tax?** If so, the parish is able to claim back the tax on your giving: 25p in every £1. This is a major source of our income. Contact the parish office for information and to sign up. Gift Aiding is confidential and flexible.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**SACRED SCRIPTURE**

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

**Entrance Antiphon**

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

**First Reading** Acts 25:13-21

In those days: Agrippa the king and Bernice arrived at Caesarea and greeted Festus. And as they stayed there many days, Festus laid Paul's case before the king, saying, 'There is a man left prisoner by Felix, and when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews laid out their case against him, asking for a sentence of condemnation against him. I answered them that it was not the custom of the Romans to give up anyone before the accused met the accusers face to face and had opportunity to make his defence concerning the charge laid against him. So when they came together here, I made no delay, but on the next day took my seat on the tribunal and ordered the man to be brought. When the accusers stood up, they brought no charge in his case of such evils as I supposed. Rather they had certain points of dispute with him about their own religion and about a certain Jesus, who was dead, but whom Paul asserted to be

alive. Being at a loss how to investigate these questions, I asked whether he wanted to go to Jerusalem and be tried there regarding them. But when Paul had appealed to be kept in custody for the decision of the emperor, I ordered him to be held until I could send him to Caesar.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 104**

**R. Send forth your Spirit, O Lord and renew the face of the earth.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul!  
O Lord my God. how great you are!  
How many are your works, O Lord!  
The earth is full of your creatures. **R.**

You take away their breath, they die,  
Returning to the dust from which they came.

You send forth your spirit, and they are created,  
And you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!  
May the Lord rejoice in his works!  
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.  
I will rejoice in the Lord. **R.**

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 12:3-13

Brothers and sisters: No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except in the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

For in one Spirit we were all baptised into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free- and all were made to drink one Spirit.

**The Sequence of Pentecost**

*[Remain seated]*

**Veni Sancte Spiritus**

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,  
From the clear celestial height  
Thy pure beaming radiance give.  
Come, thou Father of the poor,  
Come with treasures which endure  
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,  
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,  
Dost refreshing peace bestow  
Thou in toil art comfort sweet  
Pleasant coolness in the heat  
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,  
Visit thou these hearts of thine,  
And our inmost being fill:  
If thou take thy grace away,  
Nothing pure in man will stay  
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew  
On our dryness pour thy dew  
Wash the stains of guilt away:  
Bend the stubborn heart and will  
Melt the frozen, warm the chill  
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore  
Thee confess and thee adore,  
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:  
Give us comfort when we die  
Give us life with thee on high  
Give us joys that never end

**Gospel Acclamation** [All stand]

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love.

***Alleluia!***

**Gospel**

**John 20:19-23**

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.'

**Prayers of the Faithful Response**

Lord hear us.

R. Lord graciously hear us.

**Communion Antiphon**

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

