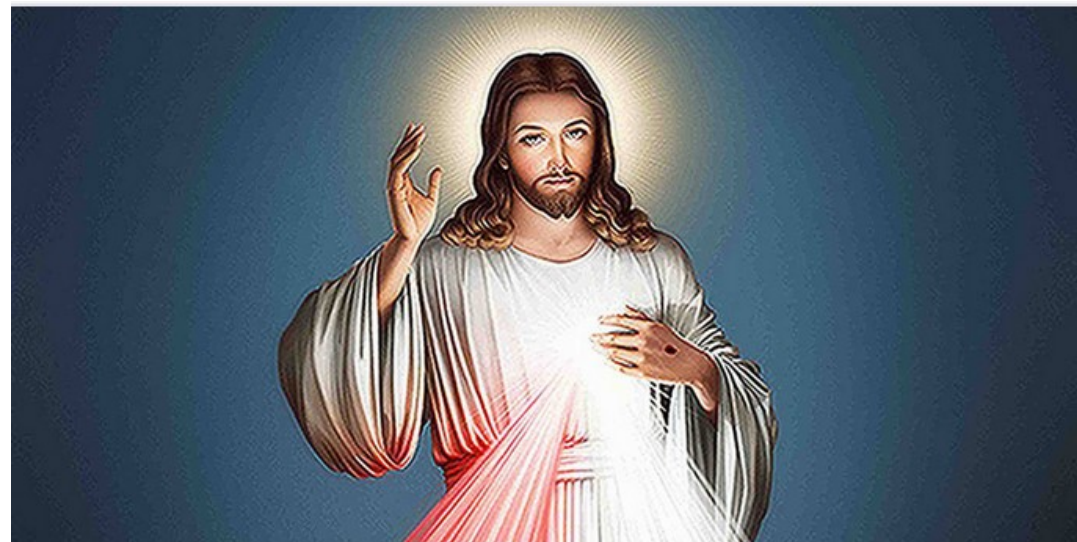


ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL BULLETIN

10TH APRIL, 2021



***A Christ-centred community which is alive,
forming and sending out joyful disciples***



📅 Sunday, 11 April 2021

🕒 2:45pm - 4:15pm

📍 St Mary's Cathedral

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration

[Sign up here](#)

21 DAY
PRAYER
CAMPAIGN

21-Day Prayer Campaign

Luke 11:2

(Jesus) said to them,

"When you pray, say:

'Father,

hallowed be your name,

your Kingdom come.'"

Luke 11:2 teaches us to pray 'Your Kingdom come.'

We encourage you to pray in preparation for our Alpha course which begins on the 14th April.

At 11:02 a.m., each day we want everyone to pray for Aberdeen and for three people you know to come to know Jesus.

11:02

Here is the Prayer:

Heavenly Father I pray for my city.
Lord, let Your Kingdom come
and Your will be done across this nation.
Holy Spirit, come fill me today,
that I might share the love and good news
of Jesus to those around me.
Amen.

Mary, Queen of Apostles, pray for us.
St Joseph, Protector of the Church, pray for us.
All you angels and saints, pray for us.

This is what we long to see, more people than ever before discovering and developing a relationship with Jesus. So this spring, we encourage you all to begin by praying before extending an invitation to attend Alpha. Prayer precedes the invitation.

1. Write down the names of three people in your life you would like to see explore faith.
2. Set a daily alarm for 11:02 a.m. as a reminder to pray for your three people.
3. Be open and expectant to see how God might use you.



Alpha is not a course, it is an experience. Each Alpha experience brings together people from every walk of life.

Alpha is sometimes in the church but can be found in many other venues in the community, such as we are currently doing online. No matter where Alpha takes place, the format is the same. We gather together, we listen to a talk, and then we break out into small groups for discussion.

Bring your questions about life: Why am I here? Who is God? Is there more to life than this? Join our community and explore: Life~Faith~Meaning



Begins Wednesday 14th April @ 7pm

[You can sign up for the Alpha experience here](#)

Adoration Prayer Warriors

"What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer...We cannot underestimate the power of prayer and the difference it will make in our world."
~ St. Mother Teresa



We really need committed adorers who will do an hour each week in order to have perpetual Adoration here at St. Mary's Cathedral.

If you would like to spend one hour each week with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament please contact Kelly or JulieAnna by calling 07754801808 or email adoration@cathedral-abdn.org. If you have a changing work schedule and cannot do the same hour each week you can book your hour online: stmarysadoration.youcanbook.me.

In Jesus and Mary,
Kelly



SCIAF South Sudan Lent Appeal

REFLECT, GIVE, ACT WITH SCIAF

SCIAF works in some of the world's poorest countries and its Lent appeal this year focuses on the plight of a generation of young women and children with disabilities in South Sudan, the world's newest country and one of the very poorest. Life remains tough in South Sudan. The conflict has left behind a legacy of fear, displacement and despair. The onset of the coronavirus has now intensified the scale of poverty and hunger. Your donations, prayers and actions make a real and lasting difference to families in South Sudan. If you'd like to make a donation please use the following link:

<https://www.sciaf.org.uk/get-involved/appeals/557-wee-box-2021/donate>

Greetings in the Good Lord !

We have completed two icons we thought very suitable for these times, one of Jesus and one of Our Lady. During Lent of this year we wanted to offer prints (19cm in height) of one or both of these icons to you.

We don't put any cost on our icons, donations are accepted but not necessary and half of any donation you do make will go to Fr Keith for the needs of the Cathedral.

Please if you would like one/ both send your name & mailing address, to:

icons@standrewX.org

God Bless you!

The St Andrew Community



Welcome to our Easter edition of the Light of the North!



And, to help you celebrate this, the most important feast in the Church's year, the Light of the North has 39 pages of news and features by contributors from all over the Diocese including Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB.

The new online version of the magazine also makes it easy if you want to share it with friends, or if you want to place it on your Facebook page. Perhaps you know someone who would prefer to read a hard copy of the Magazine then why not download and print off a copy for them?

And now, just click on the following link and please do help us to distribute the magazine as widely as possible: <https://bit.ly/3cE3l4g>

My ChurchSuite

For those of you just joining us on the parish ChurchSuite database, here is a short video on it: <https://vimeo.com/279755036>



If you find that you do not have access to My ChurchSuite then please let us know and we shall sort that out for you.



Thinking about becoming a priest?

The RC Church in Scotland is now inviting enquiries from men considering applying for seminary. For more information contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. Mark Impson at mark.impson@rcda.scot or by telephone on 01569 762433

Offertory Envelopes 2021/22 (Pink Boxes)

The annual Offertory Envelopes (pinks) are available at the back of the Church for those who have requested them. Please collect your box and take it home with you. You will note that your box number has changed. This is a cost saving initiative to use last year's remaining boxes. Every little helps!

If you require a box and there is not one designated for you please add your name and details to the list which will be on the table at the back of the church. We will then ensure a box is ready for you on your next visit to the Cathedral.

If you do not already Gift Aid to the Cathedral, and you are a taxpayer, please consider completing and submitting a Gift Aid Declaration form which will also be on the table. If you have already registered to Gift Aid to St. Mary's previously you do not require to re-register.

Diocesan Family Life Centre

Mondays and Thursdays from 10am to 4pm

Our Diocesan Family Life Centre is for people battling with family or other difficult life issues. During the lockdown, it is still open for online or phone appointments. It is also now open for forty minutes physical appointment (applying social distancing rules) and the necessary PPE measures for people's safety.

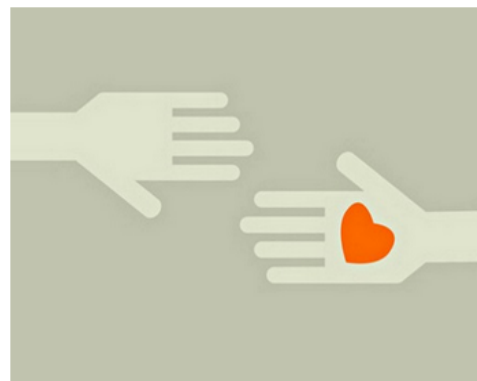
The centre contact details remain: Sr. Mary Joseph Justin HFSN, St. Mary's Family Life Centre, 80 Rose Street, AB10 1UE. Email: hfsnflifec@rcd-abdn.org, tel. 01224 631 319.

Hospital Chaplaincy

Fr Emmet continues to provide Hospital Chaplaincy here in the city, though in a more limited way due to the present situation.

If you know of any Catholics in hospital in Aberdeen at this time can you please let Fr Emmet know at ari@rcda.scot

Gift Aid



If you are a UK taxpayer, ensure all your contributions to the Cathedral are Gift-Aided by registering for the Cathedral Gift Aid scheme. This means we can claim an additional 25% on top of all contributions you make in whatever form, without it costing you a penny more!!

Please complete the Gift Aid Declaration Form [here](#) and Peter Simpson, our Gift Aid Co-ordinator, will then enrol you onto the Gift Aid Scheme

Text Giving

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Make a contribution to the Cathedral on the go from your Smartphone. Just text:

- CATHEDRAL to 70450 to donate £5
- CATHEDRAL10 to 70450 to donate £10
- CATHEDRAL15 to 70450 to donate £15
- CATHEDRAL20 to 70450 to donate £20



Those of you who are not giving by standing order or who may just want to give an extra donation may do so whilst in the church without having to go to a cash machine first.

You will find a Tablet, a SumUp device & some Gift Aid forms on a table near the entrance. To donate:

1. Enter the amount on the tablet
2. If you wish a receipt, type in either your email or mobile number when prompted (otherwise press 'skip')
3. Place your card next to the SumUp device till it beeps
4. Fill in a Gift Aid form if you are not already Gift Aiding (UK tax payers only)

I hope this will make things easier for many of you.

Mass Times

Monday	6pm	
Tuesday	6pm	
Wednesday	6pm	13.00 - 14.00 car park
Thursday	6pm	
Friday	6pm	
Saturday	10am, 5pm Spanish Mass on 2nd & last Saturday of the month	11.00 - 12.00 noon car park
Sunday	8am; 11am; 6pm	

*The priest will stand within the entrance to the clergy house. Penitents are asked to form a queue no closer than the drain cover in the middle of the car park so as to give privacy to those making their confession. If no priest is visible, please ring the house doorbell.



The 6pm weekday Masses, 10am Saturday Mass, and 11am Sunday Mass are also streamed live from the Cathedral on our [YouTube Channel](#)

Signing up for Mass

1. **ChurchSuite App** (probably the easiest method) or on the ChurchSuite website
2. **Cathedral website:** <http://www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org/index.php?cID=1>
3. **Phone:** For those without internet access, phone the office (01224 640 160) between 10am and 2pm

Names and contact details of all attendees will be taken at all Masses for contact tracing purposes. Please remember to arrive 20 minutes before Mass is due to begin. At 5 minutes before Mass reserved seats will be given to walk-ins.

Parishioner Registration

If you're a parishioner of St Mary's Cathedral please register with us on ChurchSuite:

<http://www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org/about-us/church-suite/>

This will enable us to keep our database up to date and allow us to keep in touch with you and to keep you informed about what's happening within our community. It will also enable you to register for Sunday Mass.

Confessions*

Polish Mass Times



Polish Masses will be offered at St Joseph's Church, Woodside until further notice.

Please note that the Sunday evening Mass, currently at 7:30 pm moves to Saturday as Vigil Mass at 7 pm and the Sunday Mass is at 12:30 pm.

Mass Intentions

12/04/2021 Mon	6pm	Stephanie Herrera
13/04/2021 Tues	6pm	
14/04/2021 Wed	6pm	
15/04/2021 Thurs	6pm	Ikebudu Abolle-Okoyeagu - God's birthday blessing
16/04/2021 Fri	6pm	Rhodry Jones
17/04/2021 Sat	10am	
18/04/2021 Sun	8am 11am 6pm	For the Diocese

If you would like a Mass said for any particular intention then you can do so either:

- By contacting Cowan: secretary@cathedral-abdn.org
or
- **By Direct Banking**
Bank: Bank of Scotland Upperkirkgate Branch
Account Name: RCD Cathedral St Mary 1
Sort Code: 80-05-17
Account Number: 00759738
Reference: Type **"Mass"** & then add your intention