

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL BULLETIN

5TH JUNE, 2021



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



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

New Church Opening Times

Thanks to our Phase II Volunteers we are now able to open the church at the following times in addition to the regular Mass times for private prayer and devotions:

- Saturdays: 11 - 12 noon The **Bookshop** will open at this time.
- Wednesdays: 7 - 8 pm
- Thursdays: 7 - 8 pm Vocations Holy hour (**Bookshop** will open)



Congregational singing in church is now permitted though face coverings are still required.



Saint Mary's Cathedral Altar Servers



Altar Servers will be returning to their duties at weekday and Sunday Masses from Sunday 6 June. Everyone who wishes to serve at the altar must be registered on ChurchSuite. They need to check regularly if they are on the Altar Servers Ministry Rota for a particular day, and remember also to register for all Sunday Masses. For the time being we must also observe the maximum '6 individuals from 3 households rule', until the restrictions are further eased.

Religious Education for Secondary School Pupils

In August of this year, Aberdeen City Council will be continuing its programme of Catholic Religious Education for pupils of its secondary schools.

Classes will take place:

16:00 until 17:00 on Mondays for pupils in Years 1 and 2

16:00 until 17:00 on Tuesdays for pupils in Years 3 and 4.

Classes will begin on Monday, August 23rd and Tuesday, August 24th.

It is hoped that classes will be able to meet in Harlaw Academy but it may be that, initially at least, they will be conducted online. This will be clarified in August. Those continuing with the course from 2020-2021 are not required to re-register.

The teaching will follow THIS IS OUR FAITH which is a curriculum approved by the Catholic Bishops of Scotland.

Further information is available at <http://abernet.org/rcrc>. Parents can register their children through this link. Pupils who are continuing with the course from 2020-2021 are not required to re-register.

Diocesan Singing Tutor Post

The Diocese of Aberdeen, in conjunction with the National Schools Singing Project (NSSP), seeks to appoint a Singing Tutor commencing August 2021.

This is a new part-time post (3 days per week) suitable for an ambitious and creative musician with exceptional gifts in working with young voices and a desire to achieve the highest possible standards.

With a strong interest in promoting Catholic music, our Singing Tutor will provide inspirational teaching in the development of school choirs. These, in time, will have the capacity to sing in local churches.

The schools involved are St Joseph's, Inverness; St Sylvester's, Elgin; St Thomas', Keith; St Peter's Buckie.

Closing date: Monday 14 June

Interviews will be held on Thursday 24 June in Aberdeen

A job description and application form is available from: <https://www.rcda.scot/diocesan-singing-tutor/>



EU Settlement Scheme

Remember, the deadline of 30 June 2021 for applications to be made to the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS).

All EU, EEA and Swiss citizens and their family members who were resident in the UK by 31 December 2020, should apply without delay at www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme so that they can continue to work, study, and access free healthcare and benefits in the UK after 30 June 2021.

An application must be made for every eligible child within a family. Parents should check if they need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme for their children, even if they have already applied and been granted a status themselves.

If an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen and their family members have lived in the UK for many years or have a permanent residence document or EEA Biometric Residence Card (BRC), they still need to apply to the EUSS (or apply for British citizenship) by 30 June 2021 to secure their existing rights in the UK.

Irish citizens and those with indefinite leave do not need to apply but may do so if they wish.

If you, or anyone you know, needs help with making an application to EUSS a range of support is available including over-the-phone advice to more tailored one-to-one support. [View all the support services here.](#)

You can also [find details here](#) of how to contact the 72 organisations across the UK that have received Home Office funding to help support EU, EEA and Swiss citizens, and their family members to apply.

Time is running out

Secure your own existing rights or encourage eligible EU, EEA and Swiss citizens you know living in the UK to apply now online at www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme

YOU CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE

Sound Desk Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help on the sound desk for our live-streamed Masses. Training will be given to ensure full confidence.

Contact Sean Hayes at seankhayes@me.com

Hospitality

"First impressions count". Teas and coffees after Mass will begin again as soon as it's feasible.

Contact Graham Stuart: grahamstu@aol.com

Stewards

Enabling us to keep celebrating Mass while at the same time keeping everyone safe.

Contact Liam Knox: liam@tonyknox.co.uk

Level I Volunteers

Helping to keep the church open for private prayer.

Contact Alison De Souza: alison.desouza@rocketmail.com

Chaplet of Divine Mercy with Anh and Quynh on Zoom



Join Anh & Quynh, two of our seminarians, in praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy daily during this month of the Sacred Heart, weekdays from 3pm to 3.30pm

Use the '[Online - Zoom](#)' link to take part on Zoom.



Aid to the
Church in Need

ACN Benefactors' Day 2021

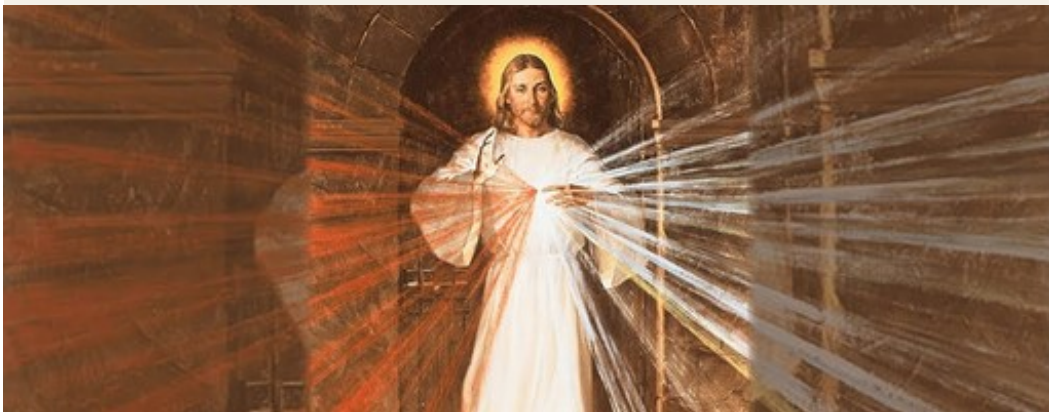
Please join us in thanks and prayer for our special ACN Benefactors' Day on 11th June 2021.

They are praying for you!

ACN's Benefactors' Day is a special day dedicated to you – our dear friends, the friends of suffering Christians. For you are the people of God who enable us to carry out our work. This is a day to thank you in prayer, with Masses and with much love from around the world. Thank you!

For an overview of the day please visit: acnuk.org/resource/acn-benefactors-day-2021

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"Cast your burden on the LORD" (Psalm 55:22)

EWTN have put together a special free resource called Comfort from Scripture and the Saints that will calm your heart, give you hope, and remind you that God is with us always.

This eBook shares several Scripture verses, as well as quotes from the saints, that highlight the love that Jesus has for each one of us. And each page features photography taken from the EWTN Vatican Bureau.

You can get the free eBook here: <https://resources.ewtn.com/comfort-from-scripture-signup/>

May you find comfort in these pages, as you remember the words of Sacred Scripture: "Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you" (Psalm 55:22).



EWTN

Global
Catholic
Network

Zoom Evening Prayer



Take part in Evening Prayer of the Church each day at 5pm. You can participate by clicking here: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5862057755>

Password: evening

St. Andrew's Children's Society

There are many children across Scotland who need stable, loving families to care for them because their birth families are not able to provide the nurturing or safe environment that would allow them to flourish and become confident and well balanced adults. Could you provide the stability and love these children deserve? Would you like to hear more about whether fostering a child could be an option for you?



Contact us on 01224 878158 or info@standrews-children.org.uk

Right To Life UK



13th June - "We pray for all unborn children diagnosed with disabilities; we pray for protection for them and their mothers from the pressures of society to have an abortion, and that they would instead experience overwhelming support from all who surround them. Lord hear us"



Come
into
His
presence
with a
song



ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL CHOIR

IS STILL MEETING IN LOCKDOWN AND
WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

For more information contact: | music@cathedral-abdn.org

Vocation Music Award



SONG WRITING COMPETITION

*Calling all young adults
aged 18-35 to participate
in a songwriting/
composition competition
on the theme of vocation.*

KEY DATES:

31st July 2021 Final date for submission of songs

22nd August 2021 Professional judging

11th September 2021 winners announced in a Live Stream



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MUSIC AWARD

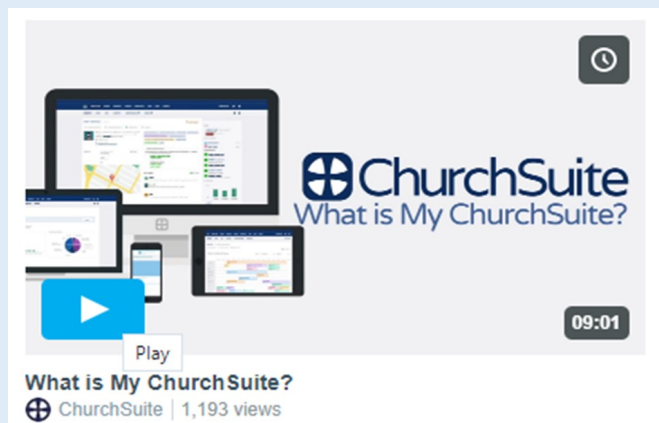
For further information:

www.vocation-music-award.com/

YOU CAN ALSO SUPPORT US BY
SPREADING THE WORD – PRAYER – FINANCIAL AID

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.

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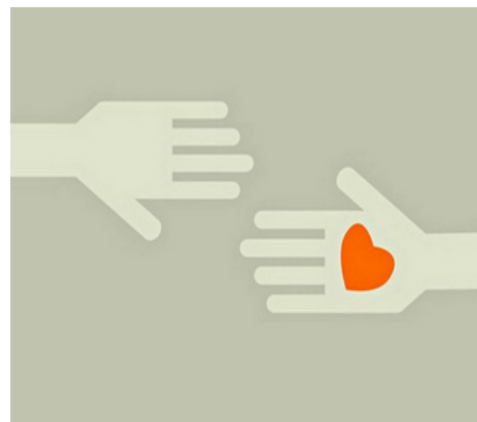
Formed is now available to all Cathedral parishioners

Here is how to sign up:

1. Visit [FORMED.org](https://formed.org)
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "Sign Up As A Parishioner"
4. Find **St Mary's Cathedral** by parish name, address, or post code
5. Enter your email - and you're in!



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



If you donate by PayPal please use the "Friends & Family" option when making your payment. This allows us to avoid charges and ensures that your full donation is received by the Cathedral. Thank you.



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

Confessions*

Monday	6pm — Communion Service	
Tuesday	6pm	
St Joseph's Confirmations I		
Wednesday	6pm	13.00 - 14.00 car park
Thursday	6pm	
St Joseph's Confirmations II		
Friday	6pm	
Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus		
Saturday	10am, 5pm Spanish Mass (2nd & last Saturday of the month)	11.00 - 12.00 noon car park
Sunday	8am; 11am; 3pm (Polish); NO 6pm MASS	

*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.

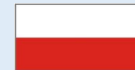
Parishioner Registration

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.

Polish Mass Times



3pm on Sundays in the Cathedral

Mass is also offered at St Joseph's Church, Woodside, at 7pm on Saturdays.

Mass Intentions

07/06/2021 Mon	6pm	NO MASS
08/06/2021 Tue	6pm	Intentions of Stella and Emmanuel
09/06/2021 Wed	6pm	Fr. Pat Deegan
10/06/2021 Thu	6pm	Mary MacIsaac RIP
11/06/2021 Fri	6pm	Patricia Coyne RIP
12/06/2021 Sat	10am	Alex Herrera
13/06/2021 Sun	8am	John Kelly
	11am	For the Parish
	6pm	a
	Fr Raf	RS Fr Godwin Dofonyelu RIP
	Fr Raf	RS Cornelis Dofonyelu RIP
	Fr Raf	RS Justina Dofonyelu RIP
	Fr Raf	RS Donor's intentions

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

- By contacting Cowan: secretary@cathedral-abdn.org with your intention and then, if you wish, to make an offering 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"**