Readings at Mass - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Collect

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First reading

Wisdom 2:12,17-20

The wicked prepare to ambush the just man

The godless say to themselves:

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

Psalm

Psalm 53:3-6,8

R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. **R**.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. *R*.

But I have God for my help.
The Lord upholds my life.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart
and praise your name for it is good. R.

Second reading

James 3:16-4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because

you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn8:12

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Prayer over the Offerings

Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Ps 118: 4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Sunday 11.15am Mass					
Introit		I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord; from whatever tribulations they cry out to me, I will give heed to them; and I will be their Lord for ever.			
Processional Hymn	582	Praise to the Holiest			
Offertory	186	Brother, sister let me serve you			
Communion Antiphon		You have ordered that your commandments be kept diligently; O that my ways may be guided towards the keeping of your statutes.			
Communion Hymn		Nada te turbe			
	174	Blest are the pure in heart			
Recessional	586	Praise we our God with joy			

Sunday Bulletin

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Year B

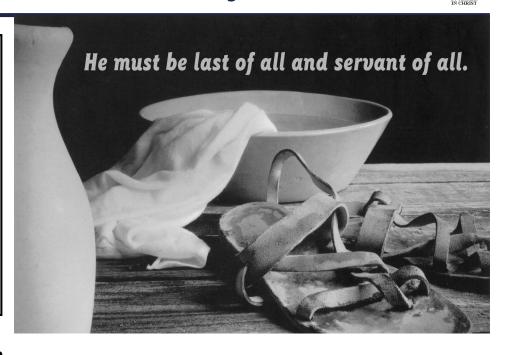


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"Who wants to be the master?"



Meditation

Jesus, the Son of Man, is on the road which leads to his passion. Although his message jars the disciples' expectations, he nevertheless strives to draw them after him. Unwittingly, and often unwillingly, they are to become messengers of a suffering Messiah.

"What were you discussing on the way home?" Jesus must have ob served their lack of perception. They are arguing about who will be the greatest in that temporal kingdom which they anticipate. Accustomed to humiliation they dream of advancement to positions of prestige and power. "You want to be the first?" says Jesus, "Become the last! You want to be masters? Become servants!"

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This paradox is based not on theoretical considerations but on the concrete example which the suffering servant himself never ceases to give.

And what do we discuss on the way home? Perhaps we too would be embarrassed if Jesus were to question us. In speaking about what is closest to our hearts, we reveal the depths of ourselves. You dream of authority, of power? Ask yourself how you will best serve others, how you will best help those in need. So must it be with every Christian eager to conform with Jesus.

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Notices

10.30pm Rosary: Saturdays **Confessions:** Tuesdays 6pm

10.30am & 6pm Saturdays Adoration: 1 hour before Masses except Sunday

Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday

7.30am Saturdays 9.40am 6.30pm

Evening Prayer: Thursdays Night Prayer: Thursdays 8.30pm

Coeliacs:

John MacKinnon (See above) Housebound? To arrange communion visits

Please speak to a member of the clergy before Mass to arrange communion

Feeding Priests: Yi-Pei Chou chou.turvey@gmail.com **Sunday Coffees:** Aneta Sieminska 07415 321 792

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Children: Mass screened live in Main Hall To be accompanied to the toilet by a parent or guardian

Mass Times						
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions		
	25th Sunday in	Mass Polish Mass	8.00am 9.30am	Thanksgiving Aditya		
	Ordinary Time	Solemn Mass Mass-Polish	11.15am 3.00pm			
		Mass	6.00pm	Joseph Neen & Mary Joseph		
Mon 21st	Saint Mathew, Apostle, Evangelist	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	In Thanksgiving to St. Ann		
Tue 22nd		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm			
Wed 23rd	Saint Pio of Pietrelcina	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm			
Thu 24th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm			
Fri 25th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	In Thanks Manoy, Peter & Fam. Philip Neduvelil RIP		
Sat 26th	Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Mass Eve. Prayer Spanish Mass Vigil Mass	10.00am 3.45pm 5.00pm 7.00pm	Teresa Kornecka RIP Danny Cunningham		
Sun 27th	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Mass-Polish Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm			

Mass Intention Envelopes

At the back of the Church. Print details and Recommended offering for each Mass is £5. post through Clergy House letter box.

celebrated on your preferred date or at the the Parish or Diocese

Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for It may not always be possible for Mass to be the Administrator's or Bishop's Intentions for

13/09 OFFERTORY: £1,502.50 Polish: £1,167.10 SCIAF Refugees: £1,141.00



13/9 ST VINCENT DE PAUL £88.98 Box Collection

Anon, Donations: £20.00 Expenditure: Food £385.50

If you are cleaning out unwanted clothing, we could use any unwanted winter casual jackets and men's footwear Our grateful thanks to everyone for their help.

Youth

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 Kracow Registration

Please contact the St. Andrew Communit ASAP in order to reserve your space for nex year's youth pilgrimage taking place on 17th July - 4th August. Travelling by coach throughout Scotland, England, France, Czech Poland and Germany. There are only 20 space es left for this trip, so all 15-20 year olds interested in coming must attend a meeting at St. Mary's Cathedral House at 7pm on Octobe 2nd to fill out forms and give a £100 deposit.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Would you like to help spread the Good News? We need volunteers to help out with the Children's Liturgy. This ministry gives a lot of iob satisfaction.

Contact Ruth: ruthpaterson@hotmail.com or speak to her, personally, after 11.15am



in the Parish House

Contact: St. Andrew's Community



Mondays Main Hall 10.30am to 12.30pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou 07455 479 479 or chou.turvey@gmail.com

Cathedral News



ADORATION MISSION WEEK

Beginning on Sunday the 4th of October, there will be an Adoration Mission Week to prepare for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

This mission week includes a Holy Hour each night from 8-9pm from Monday the 5th to Friday the 9th of October. The Holy Hour will be led by a priest and we will have praise, worship and testimonies.

are invited to join in.

MUSIC DIRECTOR

We welcome Shelagh Noden who today is taking

over the post of Director of Music at the Cathedral

'PERSECUTED AND FORGOTTEN?' MASS

On Thursday 15th October at 7pm in the Cathedral

This Mass, organised by Aid to the Church in Need.

will be celebrated by Bishop Hugh followed by talks

and refreshments. Guest Speakers:

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA MASS FOR SEAFARERS

Thursday 1st October at 7pm

Celebrated by Bishop Stephen Robson to pray for

seafarers and for the work of Apostleship of the

Sea who support their faith and welfare needs. All

Contact: johngreen@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

ABERDEEN NEWMAN CIRCLE

Thursday 1st October at 7.30pm at the Bishop's

House. Bishop Hugh will give an illustrated

presentation of his recent trip to the Holy Land,

sharing his impressions and reflections. Tea and

coffee will be served and we ask a donation of

• Father Douglas Bazi (Iraq)

• Father Ziad Hilal SJ (Syria)

Victoria Youhanna (Nigeria)

SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS

This weekend there will be a second collection to help support our sick and retired priests.

SAINT MARY'S SENIORS CLUB

Wednesday 23rd September 2.00pm in the Main Hall

The Seniors Club has started its new session. Moira Brown is making a return visit to read some of her stories and tell more of her early married life in Guiana. New members and visitors are always welcome. Contact: Winnie on 01224 632465

CHORAL WORKSHOP

Saturday 26th September 10.30am to 4.30pm in the Cathedral

Workshop is for EVERYONE! – and especially.... for people who sing in choirs or music groups or for those who simply want to enjoy the experience of group singing and develop their skills. Please see the Cathedral website events calendar for registration details.

Sung Evening Prayer, to which everyone is invited, will be led by the participants at the workshop from 3.45-4.30pm.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

REFUGEE CRISIS

£1.50 to cover expenses. See poster.

We are sure that you and your congregations are greatly concerned about the ongoing conflict in the Middle East and the resulting migration of large numbers of people exposed to great hardship, uncertainty and vulnerability. As Christian people, we are called by Christ to respond with compassion and hospitality.

Many in your congregations may be asking what the Church is doing in the face of this crisis. Firstly, as congregations and as individuals, many will have already responded to appeals for help and many churches will be taking up special collections in aid of the refugees. Moreover, following the decision of the UK Government to accept up to 20,000 refugees from Syria over the next five years, representatives from a number of churches across the city met on Thursday 10 September to discuss an ecumenical response, and an invitation was received from Aberdeen City Council to attend a Refugee Planning meeting, along with representatives from the Muslim Community and the Voluntary Sector. Accordingly, Rev. Hugh Wallace, Convenor of the Church and Society Committee of the Aberdeen Presbytery of the Church of Scotland, and Rev. Stuart Chalmers, Vicar General of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Aberdeen, as representatives of Aberdeen Churches Together, attended the meeting on 14th September to discuss how the Council, faith groups and the voluntary sector could work together to offer spiritual, emotional and material support to refugees coming to the City and the North East. Reflecting the common consensus at the meeting, all faith community representatives expressed a commitment to welcome and assist the refugees when they arrive.

There is great willingness in our congregations to help in a variety of ways. However, at this point in time, we are waiting for further detail from the UK Government as to who will be resettled in our area and what their specific needs will be. This will then inform a plan of action, shaped by the Council in collaboration with faith groups, charitable organisations and individuals. Congregations will be informed of this plan in due course. In the meantime, offers of help and pledges of financial assistance can be lodged on a new website created jointly by the Scottish Refugee Council and the Scottish Government: www.scotlandwelcomesrefugees.scot.

Please continue to pray for the many people of Syria and the neighbouring countries in the Middle East, whose lives have been so deeply affected by the on-going conflict. Pray for the peoples in Europe as refugees make their way into their countries. Let us pray that the values of wisdom, compassion, courage, justice and peace would prevail in this uncertain situation.

Yours in Christ,

Members of Aberdeen Churches Together

Weekly Calendar

Mon Credo Community Meeting

Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm

Contact: Fr Tomasz Klin SI **Mother & Toddler Group**

For parents with young children Main Hall from 10.30-12.30pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou

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Tue | Magnificat Prayer Group

Main Hall after Mass Contact: Paul Akagwu 07574 103 852

St. Vincent de Paul Feeding the homeless

Contact: Evelyn Murray

Wed Light Exercise Class for all

Main Hall at 10:00am

Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3 021 851 laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk

Seniors Club

Speakers, fun & fellowship

Main Hall at 2 pm every 2 weeks

Contact: Winnie on 01224 632 465. **Cathedral Faith Formation Evening**

For those interested in learning more about the Faith or becoming Catholic

Lower Hall at 7pm Contact: Fr. Keith

African Choir

For Africans and anyone else. Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549

Thu | Healing of Memories

Prayer for the healing of painful memories of the past to bring peace to the present. Clergy House at 2.30pm (by appointment) Contact: Deacon Tony

Legion of Mary

Members serve the Church as needed Lower Hall at 5.30pm Contact: Nogie Osula

nogisula@yahoo.com

Cenacolo Prayer Group

Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions

Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996

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6pm Music Group Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass

Upper Hall after Mass Contact: Michael Thomson

Fri Our Lady of Aberdeen Prayer Group

Rosary & praise in song and word Chapter Room from 1.30 - 2.30pm Contact: Teresa Coyne 07901 851 526

Altar Servers' Practice

Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Simon begbie_no1@hotmail.com

Youth Group For teenagers between 11 & 17

Clergy House 7pm to 9pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community

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Sat | Church Cleaning Church at 10.30am

Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154

African Choir

As above Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm

Sun 11:15 Choir

Leading the music for 11.15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: David & Liz Meiklejohn