

First reading

Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain,  
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples  
a banquet of rich food.  
On this mountain he will remove  
the mourning veil covering all peoples,  
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,  
he will destroy Death for ever.  
The Lord will wipe away  
the tears from every cheek;  
he will take away his people's shame  
everywhere on earth,  
for the Lord has said so.  
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God  
in whom we hoped for salvation;  
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.  
We exult and we rejoice  
that he has saved us.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 22(23)

*In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.*

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. **R.**

Second reading

Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in

Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn1:14,12

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The Word was made flesh and lived among us:  
to all who did accept him  
he gave power to become children of God.  
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

Invite everyone you can to the wedding

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 33: 11

The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Sunday 11.15am Mass		
Entrance Hymn	656	The King of love my shepherd is
Offertory	Choir	In thanksgiving and love
Communion	African Motet	Obi Sali Sali (Delighted Heart)
	Choir	Savior, like a shepherd lead us
Marian antiphon	597	Salve, Regina
Recessional	Choir	What a friend we have in Jesus

# Sunday Bulletin

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• 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time •

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## St. Mary's Cathedral

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### Meditation

"Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hebert request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Marie to Daniel Berne. A reception will follow." This contemporary invitation is nothing like the one reported by Matthew. The king must send out twice for the guests to come to his son's wedding. The people respond to the royal invitation with indifference or overt hostility. Festivity suddenly gives way to punishment. New guests are gathered at random from the byroads to fill the banquet hall.

This strange narrative discloses deeper meaning. The parable sketches in bold strokes the feast of joy and communion to which Israel was first invited. Israel refused to accept the invitation of the prophets and the just ones, even this last invitation offered by Jesus and his apostles. Their city of Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 A.D. by the Romans. The first Christian community took this as the definitive sign that the invitation should be extended to all humanity.

But if "the invited are many, the elect are few." We can be Christian in name, and yet avoid conversion. We can believe that we are invited to the feast of the kingdom, and yet remain indifferent to the empty plates



set before so many of the world's children. It is the baptismal life which counts, not the baptismal certificate. That life is the clothing of which Paul speaks. "You must put on that new man created in God's image whose justice and holiness are born of truth" (Ep 4:24). Without that wedding garment, the wedding invitation counts for nothing in the eyes of the king.

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Notices		
<b>Adoration:</b>	Monday - Saturday	6.00am-12 midnight
<b>Confessions:</b>	Tuesdays	6pm
	Saturdays	10.30am & 6pm
<b>Morning Prayer:</b>	Monday - Friday	6.30am
	Saturdays	9.30am
<b>Evening Prayer:</b>	Thursdays	6.30pm
<b>Night Prayer:</b>	Thursdays	8.30pm
<b>Rosary:</b>	Fridays (Vocations)	1.30pm
	Saturdays (Priests)	10.30pm
<b>Housebound?</b>	John MacKinnon (See above) for visits	
<b>Coeliacs:</b>	Speak to clergy before Mass	
<b>Sunday Coffees:</b>	Ann Ryans 07545 615 198 <a href="mailto:annryans@aol.com">annryans@aol.com</a>	
<b>Natural Family Planning (NFP)</b>	Margaret Hammond <a href="mailto:nfp@cathedral-abdn.org">nfp@cathedral-abdn.org</a>	

Mass Times				
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 15th	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	8.00am	Intentions of Alex Dieseru
		Polish Mass	9.30am	
		Mass	11.15am	Parish Intentions
		Polish Mass	3.00pm	
		Mass	6.00pm	Rev. Fri James Donnelly
Mon 16th		Mass	7.00am	Augustine Ogbobo RIP
		Mass	12.30pm	Mrs. M. Joseph RIP
Tue 17th		Mass	7.00am	Theresa Hajewska RIP
		Mass	7.00pm	Mathew Ovwigifo RIP
Wed 18th	Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist	Mass	7.00am	Fr. Patrick Rodgrives RIP
		Mass	12.30pm	
Thu 19th		Mass	7.00am	Intentions of Chris Jones
		Mass	7.00pm	Anslem Ogaenewware RIP
Fri 20th		Mass	7.00am	Intentions of Mette Munkham
		Mass	12.30pm	Mary Kelly RIP
Sat 21st	Optional Memorial of St John Paul II	Mass	10.00am	
		Vigil Mass	7.00pm	Knights of St. Columba
Sun 22nd	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass	8.00am	Parish Intentions
		Polish Mass	9.30am	
		Mass	11.15am	Intentions of the Diocese
		Polish Mass	3.00pm	
		Mass	6.00pm	Mrs. M. Joseph RIP

**Mass Intention Envelopes—Please note that any further Mass intentions for October will be relayed to other churches in the Diocese where Mass will be celebrated.**


Mass intention envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Print details and post through Clergy House letter box.

It may not always be possible for Mass to be celebrated on your preferred date or at the


Cathedral itself. Recommended offering for each Mass is £5.

Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for the Administrator’s or Bishop’s Intentions for the Parish or Diocese.

**OFFERTORY [Sunday 8th October]: £ 2,591.57**



**Fair Trade tea, coffee & home-baking after Mass**



**November: Month of the Holy Souls**

This month is a reminder to us to pray for the faithful who have gone before us. If you would like a loved one remembered at Mass please use one of the special envelopes you will find at the back of the church and return it to the Cathedral Office.

**Youth**

**LIFE TEEN**

Please note that Lifeteen (S3-S6) and Edge (P7-S2) youth groups meet on Fridays in the Lower and Main Halls, respectively. Time is 7-9 pm.

**EDGE**

**FAITH & FUN ON SATURDAYS**


Youth group for P2’s to P7’s In the Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2pm every Saturday afternoon. For more details and to register online please see our website.

**K4J KIDS4JESUS**

**Income SVDP**

Polish Collection	£ 37.15
Box Collection	£206.06
Total Income	£243.21
Spend on Food	£167.82
Socks & Shorts	£48.00
Total Spend	£215.82

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**BELOVED DISCIPLES**

Wednesdays after 12:30 Mass  
Cathedral House

Pope Francis calls us to discover the Joy of Discipleship. Find out more about your faith in a supportive and friendly environment. Gain the tools needed to be an effective disciple.

The Group has gained many insights from the various courses we have followed so far. We are now studying the Gospel of Matthew.

We would love you to join us. Please come along! You will be made very welcome! Kevin O’Carroll



**SUNDAY PRAYER MINISTRY**

After 11.15am & 6.00pm Masses  
Patrons Altar

If you require prayer for yourself, a family member, or friend, please feel free to make yourself known to the team.

**MONTHLY CHILDREN’S MASS**

First Sunday of each month at the 11.15 am Mass.

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Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore faith, life and God in a relaxed open environment. Engage your friends in conversations about the big questions of life. 27 million people have tried Alpha in homes, cafes, pubs and churches all over the world. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>When? Sundays at 7.30 pm</li><li>Where? Cathedral Main Hall</li><li>Who? Anyone, any faith or none. All welcome.</li></ul> You can register for these Alpha sessions on the Cathedral website: <a href="http://www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org">www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org</a>	
<b>MISSION SUNDAY</b> There will be a second collection next Sunday; an opportunity for us to help to bring the hope of the Gospel where there is turmoil, poverty and uncertainty in the world, and where the Church is new, young or poor.	 <b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION MISSION OCTOBER 28—NOVEMBER 3</b> Beginning with all Sunday Masses on the 28th when Fr Nicholas Grace will preach on the Eucharist & Perpetual Adoration. Then, from Monday to Friday there will be a Holy Hour each night from 8.00-9.00pm. On Wednesday November 1 there will be an additional Mass at 7.00pm for the Solemnity of All Saints which will be followed by a talk on the Liturgy and the Eucharist, and Holy Hour.
<b>OCTOBER DEVOTIONS</b> October is the Month of the Queen of the Holy Rosary. The rosary will be prayed after each daytime Mass this month, followed by the litany of Loreto and the prayer in honour of St Joseph. On Saturday 28th there will be a Marian Procession after the morning Mass from 11.00am to midday. Families are welcome to bring flowers	
<b>SENIOR CLUB</b> On Wednesday 18th October @2pm, Police Scotland are going to give a short talk and film on Safety on Street and Home By Jim Watson. All are Welcome.	
<b>TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE</b> From September 27 to November 5, our community will take part in 40 Days for Life ... With God’s help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city — and beyond. See <a href="http://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/aberdeen/">www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/aberdeen/</a> for more details.	
<b>RCIA</b> Do you feel that God is calling you to explore your faith? Have you thought about becoming a Catholic? Or, have you been baptised but not received the sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation? RCIA classes have started again and are on Tuesday nights at 7:45pm in the Clergy House.	
<b>CATHEDRAL 11:15 CHOIR</b> <b>Practice:</b> Thursday evenings in the Ogilvie Centre, up the stairs at the side entrance to the Cathedral at 7pm. New members are very welcome especially altos, tenors and basses. We sing a wide range of music from Gregorian chant to Graham Kendrick. Please do consider joining us. <b>Musical Instruments:</b> Do you have an old electronic keyboard, or a violin, or any other musical instrument that you no longer want cluttering up your home? If so we could put them to good use. Collection can be arranged. Please get in touch with any member of the choir/music group, or email us at <a href="mailto:music@cathedral-abdn.org">music@cathedral-abdn.org</a> Thank you!	
<b>BOOK SHOP</b> <b>A great selection of books now in the shop.</b> Why we’re Catholic—Trent Horne Who do you say you are?—Lucy Russell How to find your Soulmate—Jason Evert A little way of Healing—T Pauline Edwards Benedict XV1—Last Testament Finding God in Anxiety and Depression—Antonio Ritaccio Ways of forgiveness—John Edwards Lovely organic soap 5 pack Christmas cards £2.00 Selection of candles 2018 Diary only 80p Raffle for Christmas baubles to hang on your tree. Pop into the shop and have a look!	

Weekly Calendar	
Mon	<b>Mother &amp; Toddler Group</b> For parents with young children. All ages welcome. Main Hall from 1.30-15.30pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou <a href="mailto:chou.turvey@gmail.com">chou.turvey@gmail.com</a>  <b>Credo Community Meeting</b> Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm . Contact: Klaudiusz Mozolewski 0792832313
Tue	<b>Magnificat Prayer Group</b> 7.30pm in the Lower Hall after Mass. Contact: Stella Maria Onuoha 0744 9951 415 <a href="mailto:nnesin@yahoo.com">nnesin@yahoo.com</a> <b>St. Vincent de Paul</b> Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray <a href="mailto:murray.evelyn@sky.com">murray.evelyn@sky.com</a> <b>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)</b> Cathedral House at 7.30pm Contact: Fr Keith
Wed	<b>Light Exercise Class for all</b> Main Hall at 10:00am Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3 021 851 <a href="http://laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk">laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk</a>  <b>Beloved Disciples</b> Bible study and growing in faith Clergy House Dining Room After 12:30 Mass Contact: Kevin O’Carroll  <b>Seniors Club</b> Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2 pm every 2 weeks Contact: Jean on 01569 765 799  <b>Healing of Memories</b> 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  <b>Legion of Mary</b> Lower Hall from 6pm to 7.30pm Contact: Nogie Osula <a href="mailto:nogisula@yahoo.com">nogisula@yahoo.com</a>  <b>African Choir</b> For Africans and anyone else. Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549
Thu	<b>Cenacolo Prayer Group</b> Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996  <b>Band Practice</b> Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: John Costaschuk  <b>Cathedral Choir practice</b> 7pm in the Ogilvie Centre
Fri	<b>Altar Servers’ Practice</b> Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Simon <a href="mailto:bebbie_no1@hotmail.com">bebbie_no1@hotmail.com</a>  <b>Youth Groups</b> For teenagers between 11 & 17 Halls 7pm to 9pm Contact: St. Andrew’s Community
Sat	<b>Church Cleaning</b> Church at 10.30am Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154  <b>K4J</b> (Kids for Jesus) Youth group for P2’s to P7’s in the Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2pm  <b>African Choir</b> (As above) Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm
Sun	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b> Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: Shelagh Noden  <b>Alpha</b> Main Hall after 7.30