

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 24: 1-3

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

First reading

Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,
'Our Redeemer' is your ancient name.
Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways
and harden our hearts against fearing you?
Return, for the sake of your servants,
the tribes of your inheritance.

Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down!
— at your Presence the mountains would melt.

No ear has heard,
no eye has seen
any god but you act like this
for those who trust him.
You guide those who act with integrity
and keep your ways in mind.
You were angry when we were sinners;
we had long been rebels against you.
We were all like men unclean,
all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing.
We have all withered like leaves
and our sins blew us away like the wind.
No one invoked your name
or roused himself to catch hold of you.
For you hid your face from us
and gave us up to the power of our sins.
And yet, Lord, you are our Father;
we the clay, you the potter,
we are all the work of your hand.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 79:2-3,15-16,18-19

Lord of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.
O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. **R.**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

May your hand be on the man you have chosen,
the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again;
give us life that we may call upon your name. **R.**

Second reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

Gospel Acclamation

Ps84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!
Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make,
gathered from among your gifts to us,
and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below
gain for us the prize of eternal redemption.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Ps 84: 13

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

Prayer after Communion

May these mysteries, O Lord,
in which we have participated,
profit us, we pray,
for even now, as we walk amid passing things,
you teach us by them to love the things of heaven
and hold fast to what endures.

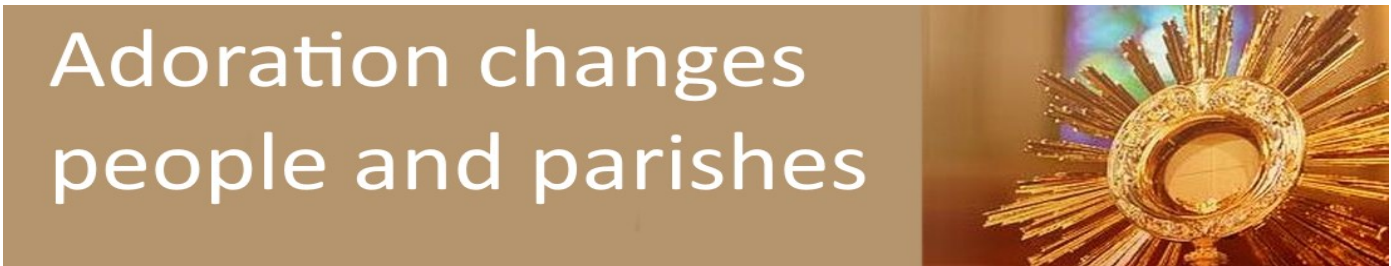
Sunday 11.15am Mass		
Entrance Hymn	704	Waken, O sleeper
Offertory	Choir	<i>To you, Father, I lift up my soul</i>
Communion	521	O Jesus Christ, remember
Marian antiphon	128	Alma Redemptor is matter
Recessional	316	Hark, a herald voice is calling



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Adoration has made Juarez a safer place

Juarez, located in the state of Chihuahua in northern Mexico, was considered from 2008 to 2010 to be one of the the most dangerous cities in the world, due to drug trafficking violence and the constant struggles for power and territory between the cartels. However, the city of 1.3 million inhabitants dropped off this list thanks to a significant decrease in the number of homicides: from 3,766 in 2010 to 256 in 2015.

Although this drop can be credited to an improvement in the work of local authorities, for Fr. Patrico Hileman, a priest responsible for establishing Perpetual Adoration chapels in Latin America, there is a much deeper reason: Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. "When a parish adores God day and night, the city is transformed," Fr. Hileman said.

In 2013 the missionaries opened the first Perpetual Adoration Chapel in Juarez. At that time "40 people a day were dying because two drug gangs were fighting over the city to move drugs into the United States." It was the Juarez and Sinaloa cartels, whose former leader Joaquín "El Chapo" Guzmán Loera was recently extradited from Mexico to the United States. Fr. Hileman recalled that "the parishes were saying that the war wasn't ending because a group of soldiers were with one gang and the police were with the other one.

They were killing people, burning houses down so they would leave, fighting over the city."

One of the parishes that was "desperate" asked the missionaries to open a Perpetual Adoration chapel because they assured us that "only Jesus is going to save us from this, only Jesus can give us security." The missionaries only took three days to establish the first Perpetual Adoration chapel in Juarez.

Two months after the chapel was opened, the pastor calls us and says to us: "Father, since the chapel was opened there has not been one death in Juarez, it's been two months since anyone has died." "We put up ten little chapels in a year," Fr. Hileman said.

As if that were not enough, "at that time they were going to close the seminary because there were only eight seminarians and now there are 88. The bishop told me that these seminarians had participated in the Holy Hours." Fr. Hileman pointed out: "that is what Jesus does in a parish" when people understand that "we find security in Christ."

He also noted that "the greatest miracles occur in the early hours of the morning." The early morning "is when you're most at peace, when you hear God better, your mind, your heart is more tranquil, you're there alone for God. If you are generous with Jesus, he is a thousand times more generous with you," Fr. Hileman said. **CNA News**



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Terms & Conditions see Parish website

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Notices

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

Mass Times				
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 3rd	1st Sunday of Advent	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	For the Parish For the Diocese Monsignor Matt Coakley RIP
Mon 4th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	The Callan Family Hidy & Christopher Leiper RIP
Tue 5th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Anfosso Bruzzo RIP Fr. Michael O'leary RIP
Wed 6th	Saint Nicholas, Bishop	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Intentions of Mrs. E. Odjoji Alejandro Guzman Velasquez RIP
Thu 7th	Saint Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor	Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Paul McLay RIP Anfosso Bruzzo RIP
Fri 8th	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Solemnity	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Thanksgiving Private Intention. Martin Crotley RIP
Sat 9th	Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin	Mass Vigil Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	Intentions of Mrs. E Odjojo Thanksgiving Obi and Mary
Sun 10th	2nd Sunday of Advent	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Thanksgiving Private Intention For the Parish
Mass Intention Envelopes				
These 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: £3,438.18



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.

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.

ABERDEEN DIOCESAN CHOIR

Rehearsals on Tuesdays at 7.30pm in the
Upper Hall, St Mary's Cathedral. New
members are most welcome (especially
tenors and basses!) Further information
available on ADC website and Facebook.

SVDP

Income	
Polish Collection	£ 21.05
Box Collection	£108.34
Total Income	£ 129.39
Spent on Food	£115.01

Many thanks to everyone for all their help.

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CHILDREN AT 11.15 AM MASS

Children can get bored at Mass because they
can't see what is going on. We would like to
encourage children of primary school age to sit
in the front left rows of the church with the
Catechists.

SECOND COLLECTION - 3RD DEC (A)

There will be a second collection this week for
the monthly Building Fund.

SECOND COLLECTION - 10TH DEC (B)

There will be a second collection next week
to raise money for our youth activities.

SPUC SCOTLAND

A SPUC Petition is available at the
back of the church to oppose the
campaign to extend abortion. Please
sign the Petition to help mobilise
opposition to this threat to future
generations of children.

CATENIAN ROSARY GROUP

The group is now focusing on sending white
plastic rosaries to prisoners where there is
an urgent need. Rosaries, especially white
plastic rosaries can be sent to Michael
Blackburn, 164 Green Park Rd., Halifax HX3
OSP. Any queries 'phone 01422 352559 or
email: michael@jjbr.co.uk

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THE RIGHT SIDE TOUR

JUSTICE, TRUTH ,HISTORY: BE ON THE RIGHT SIDE
Meeting will be held on 6th December at 7.00pm in
the Main Hall as part of a tour of Scotland informing
on and resisting the campaign for the extension and
decriminalisation of abortion.

SERVICE OF READINGS AND CAROLS

Monday 11th December, 2017 at 6.30pm in St Mary's
Cathedral with Aberdeen Diocesan Choir, African
Choir and children from St Joseph's, Holy Family and
St Peter's primary schools.

ADVENT FLOWERS

While donation of flowers for the Cathedral is much
appreciated, please do not leave flowers during
Advent. Flowers greatly accepted for Christmas from
Friday 22nd December.

ORGAN MUSIC FOR ADVENT

Forget the Christmas shopping for a while. Each
Friday in Advent, starting on the 8th December, there
will be a short programme of Advent-themed music at
1.30pm, after the 12:30 Mass in the cathedral.
Admission is free and tea, coffee and sandwiches are
available afterwards in the hall.

BOOK SHOP

New arrivals : The colour pieta — will you help me
English Divine Mercy— St. Faustina passport to
heaven
Holy souls handbook of devotion — I am Philomena
Handbook of devotion — St Michael prince of Angels
St. Pio I will wait at the gates of heaven
St Anthony handbook of devotion
St. Theresa the little way
St. Francis handbook of devotion
Surrender novena Jesus you take over
Our Lady untier of knots novena prayer
Holy cloak in honour of St. Joseph— protect my home.
Holy hour with merciful Jesus
Life offering - healing prayers for the sick- - you are
not alone-the wonders of me-
St. Faustina way of the cross - nothing is impossible
with God.
The secret of La Salette revealed.

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.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Sacramental Preparation Classes for children at
non-Catholic schools will begin in January, 2018.
Children must make their First Reconciliation before
making their First Communion. If your child is 7 years
old or more then please register him/her online for
the appropriate Sacrament at :-
www.stmaryscathedralaberdeen.org
or contact Ruth Paterson on 01224 593068
Email: ruthpaterson@hotmail.com

CHILDREN'S MONTHLY MASS

On the first Sunday of each month the
11.15 am Mass will be set aside as a
Children's Mass.

CAR PARKING AT THE CATHEDRAL

Please be advised that parking is not permitted in any
of the car parks to the rear of the Cathedral.

Sunday 3rd December, 2017

Maintenance to Mission

Wednesday 6th December 7 - 8pm
Clergy House
We are hoping to move to a new phase in the life of
the Cathedral. We are inviting anyone who is interest-
ed in seeing the parish move from a maintenance
parish to a mission orientated parish to join us in
reading Fr James Mallon's book,
*Divine Renovation: Bringing your parish from Mainte-
nance to Mission'*
We shall be reading through the book together and
discussing its contents. Please buy a copy of the book
and then join us for the meetings in the Clergy House.

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HEALING SERVICE

Healing Service to be held on 7th December at St.
Columbas, Bridge of Don after 7pm Mass. Rosary,
praise and prayer. All welcome.

ROHINGYA EMERGENCY APPEAL

Facing brutality and
destruction, the suffering
Rohingya people are in
agony; may we hear their
cries and respond!

Please pray for these people in great need and donate
to SCIAF's emergency appeal: www.sciaf.org.uk

HCPT CAROLS

HCPT Carols by Candlelight on
Sunday 10th December
3-4.30pm, includes hot drinks
and mince pies. Donations at
door to help HCPT bring children
with dis-abilities /dis-advantaged
to Lourdes next Easter.

Syrian New Scots Donation Request

In preparation of some new families arriving in
December and in order to help Somebody Cares who
will be looking after the families, the following
donation request list has been drawn-up:

- ◆ 1 x two seater sofa.
- ◆ 2 x TV (preferably with USB or HDMI inputs .
- ◆ Kitchenware: big pots, big plates, trays, utensils.
- ◆ Food blender / chopper.
- ◆ Small amount of bric a brac to brighten up homes.
- ◆ Cushions and throws.
- ◆ Cosy set of hats, scarfs and gloves for 4 adults, 3
teens and 2 older primary school children.

Aberdeenshire Theological Circle

Monday 4th Dec, at 2.00 pm: 'Worship with Care
Pastoral Dimensions of Liturgy' public meeting at
Chaplain Centre, University of Aberdeen..

Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception
Deanery Day Of Healing & Devotion

Will be held on Friday 8th Dec in Stratherrick Church
IV2 6UL. Programme from 10.00 am until 4.00 pm.

PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND

Join Rt Rev. Hugh Gilbert OSB
on pilgrimage to Poland
9th - 16th July 2018. Flights to
Krakow direct from Edinburgh
airport. Staying in the
Pilgrim Hotel Campanile
Krakow. Cost £560 pp based
on half board accommodation
excluding flight tickets.
For further information and booking form, please
contact Joyce Webster -
Diocesan Office 01224 319154

Weekly Calendar	
Mon	Mother & Toddler Group For parents with young children. All ages welcome. Main Hall from 13.30-15.30pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou 0745 5479 479 Credo Community Meeting Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm . Contact: Klaudiusz Mozolewski 07928323313
Tue	Magnificat Prayer Group 7.30pm in the Lower Hall after Mass. Contact: Stella Maria Onuoha 0744 9951 415 nnesin@yahoo.com St. Vincent de Paul Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray murray.evelyn@sky.com Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Cathedral House at 7.30pm Contact: Fr Keith
Wed	Light Exercise Class for all Main Hall at 10:00am Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3 021 851 laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk Beloved Disciples Bible study and growing in faith Clergy House Dining Room After 12:30 Mass Contact: Kevin O'Carroll Seniors Club Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2 pm every 2 weeks Contact: Jean on 01569 765 799 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 Lower Hall from 6pm to 7.30pm Contact: Nogie Osula nogisula@yahoo.com African Choir For Africans and anyone else. Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549
Thu	Cenacolo Prayer Group Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996 Band Practice Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: John Costaschuk Cathedral Choir practice 7pm in the Ogilvie Centre
Fri	Altar Servers' Practice Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Simon begbie_no1@hotmail.com Youth Groups For teenagers between 11 & 17 Halls 7pm to 9pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community
Sat	Church Cleaning Church at 10.30am Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154 K4J (Kids for Jesus) Youth group for P2's to P7's in the Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2pm African Choir (As above) Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm
Sun	Choir Rehearsal Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: Shelagh Noden Alpha Main Hall after 7.30