Cf. Is 48:20 Introit

Proclaim a joyful sound And let it be heard; Proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people. Alleluia.

First Reading Acts 10:25-26.34-35.44-48

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 97(98):1-4

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. R

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. R

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord, all the earth, ring out your joy. R

Second Reading

1 John 4:7-10

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God. but God's love for us when he sent his Son

to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

John 15:9-17 Gospel

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love,

just as I have kept my Father's commandments

and remain in his love.

I have told you this

so that my own joy may be in you

and your joy be complete.

This is my commandment:

love one another, as I have loved you.

A man can have no greater love

than to lay down his life for his friends.

You are my friends,

if you do what I command you.

I shall not call you servants any more,

because a servant does not know

his master's business;

I call you friends,

because I have made known to you

everything I have learnt from my Father.

You did not choose me:

no, I chose you;

and I commissioned you

to go out and to bear fruit,

fruit that will last;

and then the Father will give you

anything you ask him in my name.

What I command you

is to love one another.'

Communion Antiphon

John 14:15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Prayer after communion.

Almighty ever-living God,

Who restore us to eternal life In the Resurrection of Christ, Increase in us, we Pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament And pour into our hearts The strength of this saving food. Through Christ our Lord.

Sunday 11.15am Mass					
Entrance Hymn	105	Alleluia, alleluia give thanks to the risen Lord			
Offertory	142	As the deer pants for the water			
Communion	Choir	A new commandment			
Marian Antiphon	588	Regina caeli			
Recessional	497	Now thank we all our God			

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Good News Weekly

An encounter that is changing my life

My name is Michael, a married man in my thirties with two children. Christmas Eve 2012 I was in my home-town alone, feeling very lonely, sad and at times suicidal and wanting someone to talk to. I was very low and didn't want to go home and let my family see me like this. I had an old religious card in my wallet and there was a number on it. I rang this number not having a clue whose number it was.

I told Jim, who answered the phone promptly, that I was suicidal and wanted to talk. I asked him to come in and meet me. Jim kept talking to me trying to calm me down and said he couldn't meet me but that he knew who could. He asked me where exactly I was and then went on to explain to me where I could go to talk to the person he had in mind. I didn't listen very much to what he was saying and got a bit annoyed that he wouldn't come in to talk to me. He emphasised that help was quite near where I was standing, in fact just 50 metres down the street. Jim said that help was in a room around the side of the Church and that I would see a light on in this room window and to just go in and sit down quietly and to tell him all you told me. Who is this him I asked. It is Jesus, the one who can do great things for you. I got a bit hyper and loud and cross, when he said this to me, thinking he was having me on.

However, after arguing and listening to Jim for half Thank you Jim! Thank you Jesus! an hour I set off to get this help.



went into this room and saw three other people there sitting on chairs. I did likewise and watched what others were doing. They were all looking in the one direction (Later I was to discover that it was the Blessed Sacrament in a Monstrance that they were looking at.). I did the same. I started thinking what Jim had said and suddenly found myself talking silently and pouring out all my troubles and problems. About an hour or more passed and I felt a lot better and much calmer. I went outside and rang Jim again. I just said thanks, told him that I felt better and put down the phone. Finally, I went home. That encounter with Jesus that night has changed my life. I won't say all my problems are solved but I am in a much better place now. I visit this Chapel of Adoration regularly now and I get great peace and contentment there.







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Call between 9am & 1pm only

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Notices

Monday - Saturday 6.00am-12 midnight Adoration:

6.00pm Confessions: Tuesdays

Saturdays 10.30am & 6.00pm

Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday 6.30am

Rosary: Saturdays 10.30am (for Priests) Housebound? John MacKinnon (See above) for visits

Coeliacs: Speak to clergy before Mass

Sunday Coffees: Ann Ryans 07545 615 198 annryans@aol.com

Natural Family Margaret Hammond Planning (NFP) nfp@cathedral-abdn.org

Mass Times							
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions			
Sun 6th	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Fr. John Heffernan RIP Parish Intentions Wiliam and Winifred Leyshon RIP			
Mon 7th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12:30pm	Dominic Dieseru - Thanksgiving Agnes MacFarlane			
Tue 8th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Intentions for Europe Intentions of Chinyere Umsue			
Wed 9th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Special Intention of Anthony Moss Margaret Reid RIP			
Thu 10th	The Ascension of the Lord	Mass Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Birthday of Patricia Avena			
Fri 11th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Toddy Moore RIP Robert, Minnie and John Dixon RIP			
Sat 12th		Mass Vigil Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	Louise Hodoul RIP Mrs M Joseph RIP			
Sun 13th	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Polish Mass Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Special Intention of Nino Parish Intentions Murton Family			

Mass Intention Envelopes

These are available at the back of the Church. Cathedral itself. Recommended offering for Print details and post through Clergy House each Mass is £5.

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

OFFERTORY: £2.523.77

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - THE KING OF PEACE

Are you looking for a bit of peace?

Come join Our Lord in Adoration.

Our Lord, in the Eucharist is exposed to the public in the Adoration Chapel Mondays-Saturdays from 6.00am-12midnight. To sign up contact us at: adoration@cathedral-abdn.org.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

A reminder that the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord on the 10th May is a Holy Day of Obligation. A Solemn Mass will be celebrated at 7pm proceeded by Solemn Evening Prayer at 6.30pm.

PEW RENOVATION PROJECT



Why not sponsor the renovation of a pew? You may like to suggest the name of a saint to be put on a plaque attached to the pew.

Various options available to sponsor the renovation of a pew. Contact Robin Harding for details: Tel: 01224 640160, manager@cathedral-abdn

SVDP

Polish Collection£33.34 Box Collections.... ..£178.05 TOTAL. ..£211.38

Spend on Food...£312.88

Our grateful thanks to all who support us. Your help is greatly appreciated.

NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Spirit for the Solemnity of Pentecost will begin on 10th May, the Solemnity of the Ascension

A Novena to the Holy

CATHEDRAL OFFICE

The Cathedral office will be closed this Monday, 7th May.

NO MORE SECOND COLLECTIONS!

Since the downturn and with the multitude of second collections, our normal offertory collections have plummeted. The parish is struggling to stay afloat. To relieve your burden of multiple collections we shall no longer have second collections for the rest of the financial year, starting this Sunday. The parish will still give the diocesan mandated collections on your behalf.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

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"MAGICAL DINNER" *FUNDRAISING DINNER FOR THE YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE IN 2018



********* SATURDAY 12TH MAY * 7pm Main Hall

Adults: £15 Children: £7 Families: £35

Get your tickets from the $\stackrel{\frown}{\ensuremath{\wp}}$ Sacristy and Parish Office 🚣 before they vanish! See 🗼 details on the notice board 🖈 or contact the St Andrew * Community.

BOOK SHOP OPENING HOURS

Monday: 1.00 -2.00pm, Wednesday: 11.00am - 2.00pm, Friday: 11.00am - 2.00pm Saturday: 11.00- 12.00noon, Sunday: 12.15 - 1.00pm and 7.15 - 8.00pm Wonderful selection of sale books, only 50p each.

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NEWMAN GENERAL MEETING Monday 7th May at 7.30pm.

St Mary's House, 14 The Chanonry, Old Aberdeen. The meeting is being held to approve the accounts for

the last year and to discuss the future of the Aberdeen Circle. For details contact Eileen Grant: eclareg@btintermet.com

LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN Sunday 20th of May

The Legion of Mary Annual Day of Thanksgiving and the Legion's 90th anniversary in Scotland fall on Pentecost Sunday, 20th of May. Transport has been booked for a 20-seater bus which will cost £15 per head. Bring a packed lunch. Comfort stops at either Dundee or Perth. Booking essential by end of April.

PLUSCARDEN ABBEY 2018 PENTECOST LECTURES 22ND - 24TH MAY

Contact: Nogie 07944636001, nogisula@yahoo.com

Four Talks by Fr. Richard Ounsworth O.P. Theme: "You have come to Mount Sion" -

The Christian Pilgrimage in the Letter to the Hebrews To register, book accommodation etc. write to:

Pentecost Lectures, Pluscarden Abbey, Elgin, Moray IV30 8UA or email: guestmaster@pluscardenabbey.org

SACRED HEART FORMER PUPILS MEETING There will be a meeting of the association on Saturday 26th May at 2.00 pm at the Bishop's House, 14 The Chanonry, Old Aberdeen.

FIFTH ANNUAL POWER OF GRACE RALLY For Post-Confirmation Youth age 11-16.

Saturday 9th June, 11.00am-6.00pm Greyfriars Convent, Elgin.

Talks, games, music, prayer and fellowship. For registration + details email op@rcda.scot

UPLIFTING WALKS & MASS

"Uplifting Walks" invite you to a special open-air Mass and walk, which will be held on Saturday 19th May in the Findochty - Cullen area, accompanied by Fr Tad Turski. We will be winding our way along the coast before celebrating Mass on the shore-front. (5 or 10 mile options). Everyone welcome! To register or for further info. visit: upliftingwalks.wordpress.com or contact Sabrina at sabrina@rediscovered.me.

BISHOP'S GOLDEN JUBILEE GOLF TROPHY Friday 29th June 2018 - from 12noon Kintore Golf Club AB51

Parish Teams of 3 golfers required. Teams can be all male or female or mixed.

£40 to include one round of golf and High Tea. A deposit of £10 per head (£30 per team) is required before 30th May 2018. Sponsors for prizes needed. To register, send details of your team to

JOYCE WEBSTER, Tel: 01224 319154, email: joye@rcd-abdn.org

EXHIBITION AT BLAIRS MUSEUM The Grand Tour: The Eternal City. April-September, 2018

This year Blairs Museum is hosting an exquisite collection of 18th century Piranesi's prints from the Vedute di Roma on loan from the Diocese of

Opening times: Sat 10am-4.30pm, Sun noon-4.30pm

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON PRESENTATION



Proclaiming Christ in our Culture Thursday 6th September at 7.30pm Usher Hall, Edinburgh

Ticket £10/person, sign up by 8th May

A church bus (at additional charge) will take people from Aberdeen to Usher Hall: Departure time from Aberdeen: 3.30pm from St Mary's Cathedral.

Return arrival time Aberdeen 1.00am St Mary's Cathedral.

For more info visit: www.usherhall.co.uk/whats-on/bishop-robert-barronproclaiming-christ-our-culture

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 30nm Contact: Damian Gloc 07939418178

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

Maintenance to Mission

Discussing parish transformation 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

Seniors Club

Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2.00 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.

Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549

Band Practice

Thu | Cenacolo Prayer Group Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions Church after Mass

Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996

Upper Hall from 6.00-8.00pm

Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: John Costaschuk

Cathedral Choir practice 7.00pm in the Ogilve Centre

Fri Altar Servers' Practice Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Simon begbie no1@hotmail.com

Youth Groups

Edge (P7-S2) & Lifeteen (S3-S6) Hall 7.00pm to 9.00pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community

Sat | Church Cleaning

Church at 10.30am

K4J (Kids for Jesus) Youth group for P2's to P7's in the Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2.00pm

African Choir (As above) Upper Hall from 6.00 - 8.00pm

Sun | Choir Rehearsal

Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: Shelagh Noden