

PARISH OF ST JAMES, ST ANDREWS & THE EAST NEUK

Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh

19th Sunday of the Year - C Sunday, 10th August 2025

MASS TIMES IN ST ANDREWS (17 The Scores, KY16 9AR)

Day	Time	Holy Day	Mass Intention
Sunday 10 th August	5.00pm	19th Sunday of the Year - C	Andrew A Ward RIP
	11.00am		Aaron Leonard RIP
	5.00pm		Dol Hamish Galbraith RIP
Monday 11 th August	10.00am	St Clare	Stuart McMenamin RIP
Tuesday 12th August	10.00am	St. Jane de Chantal	Elizabeth Palompo RIP
Wednesday 13 th August	10.00am	Sts Pontian & Hippolytus	Joe Dunn RIP
Thursday 14 th August	10.00am	St Maximilian Mary Kolbe	Br. Livinus FSC RIP
Friday 15 th August	10.00am	THE ASSUMPTION	Frank Walker RIP
	7pm		Thanksgiving
Saturday 16 th August	10.00am	St. Stephen of Hungary	Mary Griffin RIP
Sunday 17 th August	5.00pm	20th Sunday of the Year - C	
	11.00am		
	5.00pm		
Confessions	Sat	After 10am Mass and 4.00-5.00pm	
Rosary	Sat	4.40pm	

MASS TIMES IN CRAIL (Westgate, Crail, KY10 3RE)

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Day	Time		Mass Intention
Sunday 10 th August	9:00am	19 th Sunday of the Year - C	Frank Walker RIP
Friday 15th August	12noon	THE ASSUMPTION	Charles and Mary Boulter
			(Spec. Int.)
Sunday 17 th August	9.00am	20 th Sunday of the Year - C	Frank Walker RIP

Marriages: Couples wishing to get married should contact the parish office at least six months prior to their proposed wedding.

Funerals: "May the Angels lead him into Paradise..." Please pray for the repose of the soul of Francis Walker who died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place on Friday 22nd August at Most Holy Trinity, Crail at 10.30am Offertory: Sunday 3rd August 2025 - £1,805.21

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PARISH NOTICES

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – This Friday Holy Day of Obligation

Just to remind you that this Friday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation – which means that all Catholics are obliged to attend Mass on Friday. Masses will be at 10am and 7pm in St. James and at 12noon in Crail.

More Readers!

I'd like to involve more people in the ministry of reading at Mass! This is a ministry that anyone can fulfil (so long as you can read!) and I'd like to have two readers for each Sunday Mass and a more extensive rota. So if this is something you think you might be able to do – please sign up on the list at the back of the Church. There will be full training given to all readers (existing and new) so no need for previous experience. Please think about it and speak to me if you want to know any more.

Eucharistic Ministers

I'm also looking to recruit more Eucharistic Ministers. There are two forms of this ministry – those who help with the distribution of communion at Mass and those who take communion to the sick. Both are very important ministries. If this is something that you are interested in – can you (again) please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church and (again) if you want to discuss it or know any more, just speak to me after Mass or drop me an email.

Sick and Housebound

Having more Eucharistic ministers will enable us to set up a rota to ensure that all our housebound parishioners are able to receive communion every week. As I was saying last week – if you know of any Catholics who are housebound who would like to receive communion can you please let me know.

Children's Liturgy Meeting - Monday 18th August

There will be an important meeting for all the volunteers who came along to the initial meeting about Children's Liturgy in May, on Monday 18th August at 7pm in the church hall. Please put the date in your diaries and make sure to be there!

Work on Canmore

Fr. Chris is now (happily!) installed in the flat on the second floor of Canmore (with possibly the most spectacular view in St. Andrews!). The next step is being taken in collaboration with the University who are going to install the University Wi-Fi system (EdgyRoam?) into Canmore which will make it possible for students to study there (novel concept!). Hardies Property & Construction Consultants are going to project manage the redevelopment of the ground and first floors of the building, which includes creating disabled access – a big and complicated job. Never a dull moment – but this does mean that Canmore will not be ready to re-open for the beginning of the next semester.

Sick List

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish: Christine Greer, Moira Mullins, Andrew Muir, Marjory Fenton, Isobel Dougan, Joan Dolan, Philip Lawson, Dr June Gunn, Anne Taylor, Adrian Gratwick.

200 Club

This month's winning number was 162 with a prize of £725. Well done!!

OTHER NOTICES

Carlo Acutis relics

The relics of Carlo Acutis visit the Archdiocese from 13-15 September, by which time he will be a saint of the Church. Schedule: Sat 13 Sep – 6pm Vigil Mass (St Mary's Cathedral will be open until 8pm for veneration); Sun 14 Sep – Midday Mass; Mon 15 Sep – 12.45pm Mass for Schools.

2025 Centenary Pilgrimage for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair

The Centenary Pilgrimage to pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday 21st September from 12.30-6pm at St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NA. 12.30-1.30pm: Refreshments and sale of candles/goods; 1.30-2.30pm: Holy Hour; 3.00-4.00pm: Reflection; 4.30pm: Holy Mass concelebrated with Archbishop Cushley. Confessions available all day.

Study Catholic Theology in Edinburgh

Looking for ways to deepen your faith? Worried about society with religion on the decline? There is still time to apply to study a Masters in Applied Catholic Theology at St Mary's Scottish campus at The Gillis Centre in Edinburgh from September 2025. For more information, or to speak to the Course Lead in person, email: stephen.dolan@stmarys.ac.uk or scan the QR code on the poster at the back of the church.

Faith in the Footlights - Tuesday 12th August at 7.30pm

Join author Ian Bradley and the Cathedral's Schola Cantorum for a concert exploring the spiritual resonances of musical theatre at St Mary's Metropolitan Cathedral, Edinburgh. He will uncover the spiritual implications of much-loved musical shows, and the Schola Cantorum will bring the music to life! With music from *South Pacific, Fiddler on the Roof, Les Misérables* and more. Book here: https://bit.ly/FaithFootlights

National Pilgrimage to Carfin

The National Pilgrimage takes place at Carfin Grotto on Sunday 7th September at 3.00pm. Archbishop Leo will be the principal celebrant and preacher. On this day Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati will be canonised, so it is an ideal day for Catholics in Scotland to come together to celebrate.

'Music for the Sacred Heart' Concert - Saturday 16th August at 3pm

Luis Meseguer, a student of MLitt Sacred Music and an active parishioner of St James, is organising this unique concert on Saturday 16th August at 3pm in the University's Laidlaw Music Centre, Queen's Terrace, St Andrews, KY16 9QF. This performance marks the world premiere of music intended to be heard by thousands of pilgrims at the future site of the world's largest monument to the Sacred Heart in Madrid (currently under development). Admission is free and all are welcome.

Special Collection - Sunday 17th August

On Sunday 17^{th} August we have a special collection to support African Missions & Holy Places. This is an annual collection that supports missionary work in Africa, including evangelisation, education, and healthcare initiatives. It also helps maintain Christian holy places in Jerusalem, which are important pilgrimage sites.

Have a great week. God Bless. Fr. Patrick

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

First Reading Wisdom 18:6-9

That night of our liberation was made known beforehand to our fathers, so that they might rejoice in sure knowledge of the oaths in which they trusted. The deliverance of the righteous and the destruction of their enemies were expected by your people. For by the same means by which you punished our enemies you called us to yourself and glorified us. For in secret the holy children of good people offered sacrifices and with one accord agreed to the divine law, that the saints would share alike the same things, both blessings and dangers; and already they were singing the praises of the fathers.

Response to the Psalm: Blessed the people the LORD has chosen as his heritage.

Second Reading Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Brothers and Sisters: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, 'Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.' He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.

Gospel Luke 12:32-48

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with money bags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service, and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, are you telling this parable for us or for all?' And the Lord said, 'Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions. But if that servant says to himself, "My master is delayed in coming", and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and get drunk, the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know, and will cut him in pieces and put him with the unfaithful. And that servant who knew his master's will but did not get ready or act according to his will, will receive a severe beating. But the one who did not know, and did what deserved a beating, will receive a light beating. Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more.'