



# PARISH OF ST JAMES, ST ANDREWS & THE EAST NEUK

Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
Sunday, 14 September 2025

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

Day	Time	Holy Day	Mass Intention
Sunday 14 September	5.00pm (Vigil) 8.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Robert Martin RIP James McGachey RIP People of the Parish Michael O'Malley RIP
Monday 15 September	5.30pm	Our Lady of Sorrows	Dec'd of the Cartwright family
Tuesday 16 September	10.00am 5.30pm	St Ninian	Peter London RIP Gordon Anderson RIP
Wednesday 17 September	7.00pm	St Robert Bellarmine	Mary Griffen RIP
Thursday 18 September	5.30pm	St Cornelius & St Cyprian	Alfred McCormack (Sp. Int.)
Friday 19 September	5.30pm	St Januarius	Mary Griffen RIP
Saturday 20 September	10.00am	Sts Andrew Taegon & Paul Chong	James Kerr RIP
Sunday 21 September	5.00pm (Vigil) 8.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year - C	
Adoration & Confessions	Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri	4.30-5.30pm	
Confessions	Sat	After 10am Mass	
Rosary	Sat	4.40pm	

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

Day	Time	Holy Day	Mass Intention
Sunday 14 September	9.30am	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Helen Watson RIP
Wednesday 17 September	12noon	St Robert Bellarmine	Mary Griffen RIP
Thursday 18 September	10.15am	Funeral Mass	Peter London RIP
Sunday 21 September	9.30am	25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year - C	Peter London RIP

**Funerals:** "May the Angels lead him into Paradise..." Please pray for the repose of the soul of Peter London who died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 18 September at Most Holy Trinity, Crail at 10.15am.

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

**Offertory:** 7 September 2025 - £1,083.97 Second Collection (Canmore Renovation) - £600.44

## PARISH OF ST JAMES, ST ANDREWS & THE EAST NEUK

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## **PARISH NOTICES**

### **The Parish 200 Club**

If you are not already a member of the Parish 200 club – why not think of joining this year? Tickets only cost £10 each per month, with half the proceeds going to parish funds and the remaining half going to the lucky ticketholder as a cash prize. Multiple tickets can be purchased, as can tickets to be given as gifts.

If you would like to become a member, please pick up an application pack at the back of church or visit <https://www.stjamesparishstandrews.org.uk/support> For further information, please contact Anne at [stjames200club@gmail.com](mailto:stjames200club@gmail.com) This month's winning number was 119 with a prize of £720! Sign up and it could be you next month!!

### **St James' Parish Choirs**

Whether you're a confident singer or simply love music, we invite you to be part of our growing music ministry. No auditions, no pressure, just voices raised in praise and fellowship.

*Saturday 5:00pm Vigil Choir:*

Rehearsals: Saturdays before Mass, 4:00-4:30pm (beginning Saturday, 13 September)

*Sunday 11:00am Choir:*

Rehearsals: Sundays before Mass, 10:15-10:45am

*Sunday 5:00pm Uni Student Choir:*

Rehearsals: Fridays, 6:15-7:15pm and Sundays, 4:15-4:45pm

To learn more or to join a choir, please contact Victoria at [stjamesmusicprogramme@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesmusicprogramme@gmail.com)

### **RCIA – Begins on 22 September**

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process by which non-Catholic adults learn more about the Catholic faith and eventually, if they wish to, are received into the Church. RCIA meetings are at 7pm every Monday evening during term time and run from September to Easter. If you are not a Catholic and would like to know more about the Faith – why not sign up for RCIA? No commitment is involved until the very end of the process, and you can pull out at any point.

If you are interested, please email me on [office.stjamesstandrews@staned.org.uk](mailto:office.stjamesstandrews@staned.org.uk) and I will send you a form. Or if you would just like to know more – don't hesitate to drop me a line on the same address.

### **First Confessions, First Holy Communion and Confirmation**

If you would like your child to receive First Confession, First Holy Communion or Confirmation this coming year – please fill in one of the forms at the back of the church and return it on or before Monday 15 September. Please also pass this information on to anyone with children of this age who may not be here.

### **Altar Servers at St. James**

We are looking for new altar servers from the parish. If your child would like to participate but was unable to come to the recent practice – just speak to me at the end of Mass and we will arrange another practice session.

### **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.

## CHAPLAINCY NOTICES

### Catholic Society

Our final Freshers' Week social event will be a BBQ after today's 5pm Mass in the church garden. Do come along – even if you have been to another Mass.

Then on Wednesday at 7.30pm Deacon Matthew will give our first Wednesday evening talk entitled: "How to Survive and Thrive as a Catholic at St. Andrews." The talk, held in the Parish Hall, begins immediately after 7pm Mass and is followed by tea and coffee. Please make the effort to come along and bring your friends as well!

And, if you haven't already done so, please remember to sign up for the Catholic Society which is open to all matriculated students. You can do this after Mass.

### Readers & Altar Servers for 5pm Mass

If you are student and would like to read or serve at 5pm Mass (or at daily Mass) then please sign up on the lists at the back of the church. I just need your Uni email address – but please print them carefully (so that I can read them!) and then I'll get back to you.

### St Margaret's Association for Post-Graduates

This new association is open to all post-grad students of the University and their spouses. If you would like to know more or become involved, please either scan the QR code below or email: [jassa.rocpog@gmail.com](mailto:jassa.rocpog@gmail.com)



## OTHER NOTICES

### Carlo Acutis relics

The relic of Carlo Acutis is at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh until Monday 15 September. Archbishop Cushley will celebrate three Masses in the presence of the relic: 6pm Vigil Mass on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>; Midday Mass on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> and 12.45pm Mass for Schools on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> (all welcome).

### Vocations Awareness Week Prayer

This week we pray for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the Archdiocese. If you feel called, explore it! Contact Monsignor Patrick Burke or Sr Mirjam Hugens FSO, Director for Religious Vocations, at [religiousvocations@staned.org.uk](mailto:religiousvocations@staned.org.uk) A prayer for vocations: *Heavenly Father, in your mercy you give to your people every good gift. We turn to you in faith, asking that you bless our Archdiocese with vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Inspire us with your Holy Spirit to help young men and women hear your call and respond with joyful hearts. Bless our young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### National Youth Pilgrimage to Perth

This takes place on Saturday 20 September, meeting at South Inch Park (PH2 8AN) at 12:30pm. A full day of activities includes historic site visits, talks, and Holy Mass with Archbishop Cushley. If you wish to join fellow pilgrims (18+) from the Archdiocese travelling by train to Perth from Stirling, Falkirk and Edinburgh please contact Sr Isabelle Dufaux FSO at [youth.office@staned.org.uk](mailto:youth.office@staned.org.uk)

Have a great week.  
God Bless.  
Fr. Patrick & Fr. Chris

## READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

### First Reading

Numbers 21:4b-9

In those days: The people became impatient on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.' Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. And the people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.' So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

**Response to the Psalm:** *Never forget the deeds of the Lord!*

### Second Reading

Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### Gospel

John 3:13-17

At that time: Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'