



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

Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - A  
Sunday, 3 May 2026

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

Day	Time	Holy Day	Mass Intention
Sunday 3 May	5.00pm (Vigil)	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - A	Maureen Magee RIP
	8.00am		Joseph McBride RIP
	11.00am		Brian McNight RIP
	5.00pm		Student Mass
Monday 4 May	5.30pm	Requiem Mass	Fr. Colman McGrath RIP
Tuesday 5 May	5.30pm		Charles Richmond RIP
Wednesday 6 May	5.30pm		Arthur Kenny RIP
Thursday 7 May	2.30pm		Frank Noakes RIP
Friday 8 May	5.30pm		Grace McKeown RIP
Saturday 9 May	10.00am	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - A	Anna Ross RIP
Sunday 10 May	5.00pm (Vigil)		Sp. Int. of Jean Barclay
	8.00am		
	11.00am		
	5.00pm	Student Mass	
Adoration & Confessions	Mon-Fri	4.30-5.30pm	
Confessions	Sat	After 10am Mass and 4.30-5pm	
Rosary	Sat	4.40pm	

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

Day	Time	Holy Day	Mass Intention
Sunday 3 May	9.30am	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - A	Seila Scally RIP
Wednesday 6 May	12.00noon		David Cox RIP
Sunday 10 May	9.30am	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - A	
Confessions:	Wed	After 12noon Mass	

**Funerals:** "May the Angels lead her into Paradise..." Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dr June Gunn who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 7 May at 2.30pm at St James.

**Offertory:** 26 April 2026 - £1,330.13      **Special Collection Ecclesiastical Students' Fund):** £571.51

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## PARISH NOTICES

### **Parish Meeting – Thursday 21 May at 7pm Sir Geoffrey Adams, on “Iran: How did we get here?”**

On Thursday 21 May, Geoffrey Adams – one of our “honorary parishioners” and former British Ambassador to Iran - has agreed to speak to us on “Iran: How did we get here?” Geoffrey is a great speaker who had a fascinating career in the Diplomatic Service, and I am really grateful to him for agreeing to speak to us. It will be a very interesting evening – followed as always by a glass of wine. Do put it in your diary and make the effort to come along.

### **Deacon Matthew’s Ordination – Friday 3 July at 7pm**

The Patriarch of Bathgate (aka Fr. M-J) has allotted 50 tickets to our parish for Matthew’s Ordination to the priesthood. We will, therefore, travel together as a group in a coach leaving from and returning to St. James. The cost of the coach will be £20 per person, and tickets will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you would like to come – please sign the list at the back of the church (the earlier list was just to give me an idea of numbers). It will be a lovely occasion and a great community outing for us all!

### **Parish Bank Change Update**

Thank you to the many who have set up their Standing Orders with the Royal Bank of Scotland, and also to those who have signed Gift Aid Declarations. For those of you who have not yet managed this, can you please do so as soon as possible. If you need any assistance, please ask Finance Committee members Emilio Rimini or Stephanie Gordon at St James, or Gordon White in Crail who will be happy to help you.

The new Royal Bank of Scotland parish account details are as follows:

Account Name: St James-St Andrews      Sort Code: 83-06-08      Account Number : 21599908

Please note the 200 Club is not affected and remains with the Bank of Scotland until further notice.

### **SCIAF WEE BOX Appeal**

If you picked up a WEE BOX and are still planning on handing it in, can you please do so by Sunday 10 May. Thank you.

### **Sick List**

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish: Christine Greer, Moira Mullins, Andrew Muir, Isobel Dougan, Joan Dolan, Philip Lawson, Ann Taylor, Marysia Denyer, Harry Graham, Anna Graham.

## CHAPLAINCY NOTICES

### **Faith Summer Session – 27-31 July 2026**

This event is a five-day conference organised for young people between the ages of 16-30. The conference happens at Ampleforth Abbey, near York and attracts young Catholics from all over Britain. The format of five days provides an excellent balance of social, spiritual and catechetical activities. It is a great experience and those who attend usually love it and return year after year.

I will be taking a group from the Parish and Chaplaincy to this event. If you would like to come or would like to know more information, please speak to me. Leaflets with more information are available at the back of the Church.

## OTHER NOTICES

### Family Picnic & Mass

Join families from around the Archdiocese at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB for a picnic at 1pm on Saturday 9 May, followed by a time of catechesis, games, a Rosary procession, and concluding with a Vigil Mass at 4pm. Bring your own picnic, and the Archdiocese will provide tea/coffee, soft drinks & a dessert. The day is aimed especially at families with school-age children. Register at [bit.ly/archpicnic26](https://bit.ly/archpicnic26).

### Pentecost event for Young Adults

Join young adults from across the Archdiocese to celebrate Pentecost at St Andrew's Church, 77 Belford Road, Edinburgh on Saturday 23 May, beginning at 4pm. There will be a talk, Eucharistic Adoration & opportunity for Confession, Holy Mass and a barbecue. Organised by the Archdiocese along with the young adult ministries at Edinburgh Jesuit Church, St Mary's Cathedral and St Albert's Chaplaincy. Register: [bit.ly/pentecost26](https://bit.ly/pentecost26)

### World Youth Day

“Experience the universal Church first-hand amidst the unique and vibrant story of Catholicism in South Korea. From remarkable saints, bustling markets and poignant shrines to Holy Mass with Pope Leo and sleeping under the stars. Come with us from our Archdiocese and discover, in a profound and personal way, God, the Church, and the transforming power of faith.” - Archbishop Cushley. If you are aged 19-35 and want to find out about attending the World Youth Day in South Korea, 3-8 August 2027, please register your interest at [youth.office@staned.org.uk](mailto:youth.office@staned.org.uk).

### SPUC

SPUC has new online election tool for the upcoming Scottish Parliament election on 7th May. You can find out about candidates and see their position on key life issues. It is designed to make election information clearer and easier to access than ever before. Visit <https://spuc.org.uk/>

### St Margaret Pilgrimage

This annual national Catholic event takes place on Sunday 14 June in Dunfermline. Schedule: 12pm Angelus at St Margaret's Cave; 1pm Prayer Service at St Margaret's tomb at Dunfermline Abbey; 2pm Procession from Glen Gates to St Margaret's Memorial Church, East Port; 3pm Mass at St Margaret's Memorial Church, celebrated by Archbishop Cushley.

### Edinburgh Seven Hills Pilgrimage

The Seven Hills of Edinburgh Pilgrimage route is approximately 26km, taking in Castle Hill, Corstorphine Hill, Craiglockhart Hill, Braid Hill, Blackford Hill, Arthur's Seat and Calton Hill. Starts at St Mary's Catholic Cathedral at 9:00am on Saturday 13 June with a dedicated reflection at each peak from Monsignor Jeremy Milne. Details and registration at [bit.ly/sevenhills26](https://bit.ly/sevenhills26)

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

## READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

### First Reading

Acts 6:1-7

In those days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. And the Twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, 'It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers and sisters, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.' And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the Apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

*Response to the Psalm: May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD.*

### Second Reading

1 Peter 2:4-9

Beloved: Come to the Lord, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious. You yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture: 'Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' So the honour is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone', and 'A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

### Gospel

Gospel - John 14:1-12

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

'Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.'