



# St Mary Magdalene's Church

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## Transfiguration of Our Lord, 6th August 2017

### This is my Son, my Beloved

Today's liturgy invites us to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In Cycle A, the reading for this feast is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah and after Jesus predicts his Passion. In each of these Gospels, a discussion of the cost of discipleship precedes the Transfiguration.

In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear and converse with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Moses represents the Law, which guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh, and some believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. The appearance of these two figures from Israel's history indicated Jesus' conti-



nuity with the Law and the prophets. They also reveal that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

Upon witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, an awestruck Peter offered to construct three tents for them when a voice from Heaven affirms that Jesus is "my beloved Son" and commands the disciples to listen to him.

In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Until they witnessed Jesus' Passion and Death, the disciples could not possibly understand what he meant by being "raised from the dead." We, however, have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of the Transfiguration Gospel, we see an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in Heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection.



**The Annual National Pilgrimage to Carfin will take place on Sunday 3rd September at 3pm. This year the pilgrimage will be in honour of Our Lady of Fatima and our country will be consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.**

**Archbishop Tartaglia will celebrate Mass and Bishop Brian McGee will preach**

#### For today's Mass

##### Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is king,  
most high above all the earth.

##### Gospel Acclamation

his is my Son, the Beloved,  
he enjoys my favour;  
listen to him.

#### Justice and Peace

*(The cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki were bombed on 6 August, and 9 August 1945 respectively. The first, and thus far only uses of nuclear weapons in war)*

If the consciousness of universal brotherhood truly penetrates into the hearts of men, will they still need to arm themselves to the point of becoming blind and fanatic killers of their brethren who in themselves are innocent, and of perpetrating, as a contribution to Peace, butchery of untold magnitude, as at Hiroshima on 6 August 1945?

**Blessed Pope Paul VI, Message for World Day of Peace, 1967**

## AROUND PERTH

### Mass in

#### St Mary Magdalene's, Craigie

10am - Sunday

8am - Weekdays

(except Wednesday and Saturday)

7am - Wednesday; 10am - Saturday

### Sunday Mass in

#### Our Lady of Lourdes, Letham

5.30pm (vigil); 11am

### Sunday Mass in

#### St Mary's, Kinnoull

10am

### Sunday Mass in St John's

6.30pm (vigil); 9am; 11am & 6.30pm

## PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose  
of the souls

of Margaret Donaghy  
and Marvic Santucci  
all those whose  
anniversaries  
occur about this time

**Eternal rest grant  
unto their souls, O Lord.  
May they rest in peace.**

**Amen.**

## FEASTDAYS

### Tuesday

8th August  
St Dominic

### Wednesday

9th August  
St Teresa Benedicta  
of the Cross (Edith Stein)

### Thursday

10th August  
St Lawrence

### Friday

11th August  
St Clare

### Saturday

11th August  
St Blaas

## Collection

Thank you for your generosity - last Sunday's collection amounted to £354.12.

## Special collection

Next Sunday there will be a special collection in aid of the Bishop's Mensal Fund - for the Bishop's upkeep.

## Hospital visits

Due to changes made by NHS Tayside in how they process patient data - it is no longer possible for visiting priests to be informed about parishioners who have been admitted to hospital.

If you, or a family member, are going to be in hospital and would like a visit from the priest in hospital - please take a moment to notify us (see details at the bottom of this page).



## Catholic Papers

Catholic newspapers, the Scottish Catholic Observer, Catholic Herald, Catholic Times etc are available in the church porch. A new edition of the Diocesan Newspaper, Dunkeld News, will be available next Sunday. - please take copies and share them with the wider community.

St Joseph's Retreat Centre  
Marriage and Family Encounter

**Day Retreat  
Supporting Marriage  
and Family Life**

*Open to families, to those preparing for marriage,  
and all who help support married life today*



10am-4pm, September 2, 2017  
24-28 Lawside Road, Dundee DD3 6XY

PRICE - £5 each - (under 16 free) - Bring and Buy - Cake and Candy - Stalls  
PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH - refreshments provided

## Eucharist Workshops

St James', Kinross are hosting two workshops, Wednesday 9th and Wednesday 16th of August, from 6pm-9pm each night, on the Eucharist.

The suggested donation for each session is £5, though this should not hinder anyone from coming who would hope to attend.

Bibles are an absolute necessity for each part! Recommended versions are either RSV Catholic Edition or the New American Bible.

## Fatima Masses

Mass will be celebrated in St Mary Magdalene's, at 6pm, on the 13th of each month, from June to November, in honour of this 100th anniversary year of the Apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima. (Except Sunday 13th August).

## Papal Award

Bishop Stephen will celebrate the 11am Mass today, and present the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Medal to Andrew Mitchell for his dedicated and outstanding service to the Church, in the parish and in the Diocese of Dunkeld, over many years.

Saturday, September 23, 2017

## RETREAT DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS

St Joseph's Retreat Centre  
24-28 Lawside Road  
Dundee  
DD3 6XY

Call 01382 225453 to book

10am-4pm

*Please bring a packed lunch*

**ARE YOU GOING TO BE IN HOSPITAL? DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS IN HOSPITAL?**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete/ tear off and hand it to Mgr Hendry after Mass