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# St Mary Magdalene's Church

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27th Sunday of Ordinary Time, 7th October 2018

## THE SIGN OF HIS LOVE

The Catholic Church has suffered heavy losses through the scandalous sexual sins of a few priests. These priests were ordained in the sacrament of Holy Orders to be a sign of God's love for His people. Instead, the sign the world reads through the sins of these priests is that the Church is no longer trustworthy.

Catholic married couples are also a sacrament, through the Sacrament of Matrimony, an outward sign of God's love for the world. God so loved the world that He created us male and female (Gn 1:27). He poured out His love in our hearts (Rm 5:5) so that married couples would take the lead in showing broken, bruised humanity how much God loves them. Therefore, no Catholic married couple should ever criticize a priest for being a poor sign of God's love. Instead, they should look in the mirror, for a married couple is called to be a great sign of God's love. One marriage rich in God's love can greatly

build up the Church. Far too many Catholic marriages in the USA end in divorce. No wonder the Church is weakened! People simply read the signs and conclude that God is not with the Church because wives and husbands don't love each other (cf Eph 5:23-25, 29-32).

Couples, your marriage is not just about the two of you. Your marriage "has been decided in heaven" (Tb 7:11). Renew your love for each other "not because of lust, but for a noble purpose" (Tb 8:7) of building up the kingdom of God.



### For today's Mass

#### Responsorial Psalm

May the Lord bless us  
all the days of our life

#### Gospel Acclamation

Your word is truth, O Lord,  
consecrate us in the truth.

## DIOCESE OF DUNKELD A Celebration of Missionary Activity

10am-4pm, Saturday 13th October

Diocesan Centre

24-28 Lawside Road, Dundee, DD3 6XY

All parishes to send about three people who are in some way  
involved in "missionary" activity either at home or abroad.

*We all try to live Jesus' mission in all its diversity*

3pm - Closing Mass celebrated by Bishop Stephen

More details from Fr Mike Freyne MHM - 01259 213274

## 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,

5pm (Polish) & 6.30pm

## PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose  
of the soul of

Patrick Toolan

and for all whose  
anniversaries occur  
about this time.

**Eternal rest grant**

**unto their souls, O Lord.**

**May they rest in peace. Amen**

## FEASTDAYS

**Monday 8th October**  
**St Denis**

**Thursday 11th October**  
**St John XXIII**  
Pope

**Friday 12th October**  
**St Kenneth**

## Collection

Thank you for your generosity -  
last Sunday's collection amounted to  
£356.30

## Italian classes

Please note that weekly Italian classes continue on Saturdays at 4.15pm in the Church Hall - all welcome - beginners to native speakers.

## Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

A Rachel's Vineyard retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held north of Glasgow on Tuesday 9th - Thursday 11th October 2018. This confidential, supportive retreat is powerful for anyone who has been affected by their own or someone else's abortion experience. For more information, please call Sr Andrea on 07816 942824 or email Marene via the enquiry form on the website [www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk)

## Rosary under the Cross

On the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary, 7th October, Bishop Keenan (Paisley) has invited people across the UK to pray in parish churches or in other chosen venues.

'Rosary under the Cross' is called to be a time to kneel in penitence before the Lord and to confess, lament, acknowledge and repent of sins of abuse against children and youth before the Lord as a sorrowful Church.

Families may also gather at home to pray for a purification within the Church and for a renewal of clerical life and a spirit of care and protection for the vulnerable and weak.



**NEXT SUNDAY WE WILL  
RECITE THE ROSARY  
AFTER MASS**

**THE PRESENCE OF THE  
STATUE OF OUR LADY  
OF FATIMA WILL BE A  
REMINDER TO US ALL  
TO PRAY THE ROSARY**

## Nightfever

The next Nightfever will take place in St Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee, on Saturday 20th October, beginning with the Vigil Mass at 5.30pm - leading to Adoration and Outreach. Everyone welcome.

## Justice and Peace

*Dear young people, do not bury  
your talents, the gifts that God  
has given you! Do not be afraid  
to dream of great things!*

**Pope Francis**

**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*