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St Mary Magdalene's Church

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29th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)

20th October 2019

Be persistent in prayer - do not lose heart

This is the first of two parables that Jesus tells in Luke 18 about prayer. (The second will be read at Mass next Sunday.) This first parable is a lesson in persistence in prayer. (Next Sunday's parable will address attitude in prayer.) While the parable seems to present prayer as nagging God for what we want, such a reading misses the point. God is not like the judge in the parable, worn down by requests and coerced to respond. The key is found in the description of the judge as corrupt and unjust. Since God can be neither, we must understand Jesus to be saying that if even an unjust judge responds to the persistence of the widow, how much more so will God listen to our prayers. God truly wants to hear our needs and respond generously. It is the final lament of Jesus that gets to the point of the parable. The lesson is about the persistence of the one who prays. God wants us to be like the persistent widow, staying in relationship with God, confident that God hears and answers prayers. Then Jesus laments, "Will such faith be found when the Son of Man comes?" In this lament, Jesus notes how easy it can be for us to lose heart.



November Lists

The Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered each day in November for all whose names are included in our November Lists. These lists will contain the names of our family members and those we have known, who have died.

Blank lists are now available at the back of the church - together with envelopes for their return. Please complete a list and place it in the box at the back of the Church.

Weekday Mass times are back to normal

Thanks to all who joined us from St John's for our weekday Masses over the past two weeks.

THIS SUNDAY
IS
**MISSION
SUNDAY**

THERE WILL
BE A SECOND
COLLECTION



For today's Mass

Responsorial Psalm

Our help
is in the name of the Lord
who made heaven and earth.

Gospel Acclamation

May the Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our mind,
so that we can see what hope
his call holds for us.



All are welcome - especially those who are joining the Church at Easter - indeed everyone who is searching to gain a deeper insight into scriptures and the liturgy. The talks will often draw on Scripture readings for Sunday Masses and so will be helpful to readers and cantors wishing to enrich their ministry

Led by Canon Kevin Golden
the popular adult formation series

Wednesdays at 7.30pm,
at the Pastoral Centre,
24-28 Lawside Road,
Dundee, DD3 6XY

Contact Canon Kevin (01382 225228)

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

4pm (anticipated Mass); 9am; 11am;

5pm (Polish) & 6.30pm

PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose
of the souls of

Fr Tony McCarthy (funeral in
Broughty Ferry, 12.30pm, Tuesday)

Noel McLaughlan
and Peter Symington
and of all the faithful
departed

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

FEASTDAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 22nd October

St John Paul II

8am Mass

Wednesday 23rd October

St John of Capistrano

7am Mass

Thursday 24th October

St Antony Mary Claret

8am Mass

Collection

Last Sunday's collection amounted
to £323.78 - thank you for your gen-
erosity.

Italian Association

The Italian Association's monthly
meeting - will take place in St John's
next Saturday, 26th October, starting at
1pm with Mass in Italian.

Monday 11th November - a bus leaves
Perth at 3pm for the Annual Mass for
the Dead (in Italian, at 7pm in St An-
drew's Cathedral, Glasgow) - preceded
by High Tea at Coia's in Denmark
Street.

Friday 22nd November

- an outing to Pitlochry Festival Theatre
for the production of A Christmas
Carol. A bus will leave St John's at 3pm
- stopping for High Tea at Bankfoot.

Tuesday 10th December - dinner
dance to be held in McDiarmid Park -
£30. 6.30pm for 7pm.

Italian Classes for learners of all stages
continue at 4.15pm in the Small Hall on
Saturdays.

Rosary - On Saturdays at 2pm, Rosary
will be recited in Italian during October
in St John's.

Papers

Catholic newspapers the Scottish
Catholic Observer etc are available in
the church porch - please take copies
and share them.

Justice and Peace

The dignity of the human person and
the common good rank higher than
the comfort of those who refuse to
renounce their privileges. When these
values are threatened, a prophetic voice
must be raised.

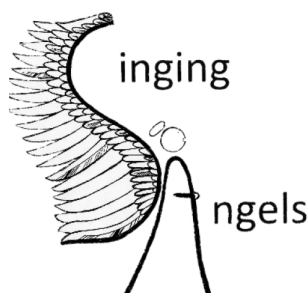
**Pope Francis,
Evangelii Gaudium, para 218**

Foodbank

Our local foodbank relies on your
goodwill and support. Over 90% of
the food distributed by foodbanks in
The Trussell Trust network is donated
by the public - that's why your food
donations are absolutely vital to our
ability to give everyone referred to
us a balanced and nutritious three day
supply of food.

Please note - they are not able to use
food that is past the use by/best before
date, so please only donate food that is
within date. Also - they are not able to
use fresh or chilled food.

**Food Collection Point
Perth Foodbank,
11 Cutlog Vennel, Perth**



Our Lady of Lourdes UCM

Invites Parishioners, Family and Friends to an evening
of songs, sung in English and Polish, performed by the
children's choir, the Singing Angels

Thursday 24th October 2019

at 7pm in Church

Please come along and join us. The evening is free but there will
be a voluntary "bucket" collection taken up at the end of the
evening, should you wish to donate, with proceeds going to the
Church and Singing Angels choir.

Refreshments will be served

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