

Parish Bulletin, St Mary's Inverness

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Sunday 11 October	28th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	Mass 09.00 Mass 11.00 Polish Mass 16.30 Mass 18.30
Monday 12 October	28 th Week of the Year	Confessions & Rosary 11.30 Mass 12.00 Adoration 12.30
Tuesday 13 October	28 th Week of the Year	
Wednesday 14 October	Memorial of St Callistus	
Thursday 15 October	Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus	Mass 09.00
Friday 16 October	Memorial of St Margaret Mary Alacoque	Confessions & Rosary 11.30 Mass 12.00 Adoration 12.30
Saturday 17 October	Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch	Confessions & Adoration 09.45 Mass 10.30
Sunday 18 October	29th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Mission Sunday – second collection	Mass 09.00 Mass 11.00 Mass 18.30

NO Children's Liturgy during school holidays
Tea and Coffee in the parish hall after the 11am Mass

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

+ SICK +

+ Ann Cameron + Isobel Kelly + Roddy Corbett + Marjory Trace + Lennie Stirling + + Heather Taylor + Teresa Graczykowska + David Reid + Ralph Stewart + Jakub & Emily Akacki + Sr. Anne Marie + Jane McMaster + + Graham Grant + Leila Molona-Allen + Ishbel McKenna + Valentina Nicogda + + William (Billy) Fraser + Gordon Skillin + Christine Bainbridge + + David Baillie +

+ ANNIVERSARIES +

+ Agnes Smith + Hugh Coyle + Mary Fox + James Wood + James McTeir + + Patricia Spence + Mary MacGillvray + Hamish Black + + Rebecca McLaughlin + Alexander King + Christine Chisholm + + Ruaridh Mackay + Kathleen Grigor + John McMillan + James Stuart + + Alistair Chisholm + Patricia Smith + Sarah Cuthbert + Robert Mathieson +

+ R I P +

+ Ciaran Hugh James Davidson +

We continue to pray for our Seminarians

Anh Tuan Nguyen, Richard Webster, Jason Nunes and Victor Ezeajughu

New beginnings: We are delighted to announce that Fr Aidan will be remaining with us and as part of this, certain things can be changed. Over the next couple of months Fr Laurence will be absent for two Sundays in November from 3rd - 20th November.

The Litany of Loreto will be recited at the end of the Rosary each day during October.

There will be a Deanery meeting on **Thursday 15th October** and the Assembly of Priests meeting on **Thursday 22nd October**. Mass times will be altered accordingly and will be highlighted in the bulletin.

Saturday 24th October - Pro-Life talk by Lucy Walker from SPUC at 11am, after the 10.30 Mass, in the Marian Room. The talk will take about 45 minutes and there will be time for questions. Fr Andrzej Niski would like to invite people to the monthly Mass for Life on the first Saturday of every month at St Lawrence's Dingwall.

Next Sunday we celebrate **World Mission Sunday** when Catholics across the world unite in prayer and generosity for the Church's missionary work. Pope Leo XIV invites us to be '**One in Christ, One in Mission**'. Through Missio Scotland, your prayers and financial support help sustain missionary priests, religious sisters and brothers, lay catechists, and communities where the Church is young, growing and often in great need. There will be a second collection at all Masses. There is a letter from Fr Vincent Lockhart, National Director of Missio Scotland – The Pontifical Mission Societies, copies of which are available at the back of the Church, together with the latest magazine. Please take one.

November: Remembering our dearly departed. It is our normal practice during the month of November to pray for the deceased of our parish by name. If you would like any friends or family members to be included, please pass on this information in good time. Forms are available from the sacristy or the parish office.

The visits to the graves will take place on Monday 2nd November (All Souls Day) after the school Mass at 10am. Our annual Mass for those who have died within the Parish this year will be slightly later on, **Saturday 21st November at 10.30am.**

Both Fabric and Finance and Pastoral Council meetings are now overdue, however given how packed the next few weeks are, and absences of clergy and clerical staff, these will take place at the end of November. If you have previously been invited to participate in these meetings, please try to come along. Further details of days and times will be provided nearer the time.

New Rotas: Please be advised that the new rota board for readers, teas, servers and Sunday meals is now situated at the back of the extension. Please check frequently.

SVDP: The SVDP have a new donations machine which can be used for card donations. Please note that they are still very happy to accept cash!

Altar Server's Outing: Tuesday 13th October, commencing at 2pm in the hall.

Youth Activities: Please note there will be no planned activities at St Mary's during the month of October as it is half-term at the school and also the St Andrew's Community are unable to come. However, all of our young people are invited to come to Keith for the evening Mass as advertised. However, please note that any young people will have to be accompanied by their parents for safeguarding reasons.

Catechist classes: For those who missed registration, forms are available from the parish office.

It is imperative that you register and provide contact information for the above for safeguarding purposes.

RCIA: Next meeting will be on **Monday 12th October** at 6.30pm in the Marian room. Subject– John XXIII. Opening of the Council.

Friday 6th November: The Kilcoy Community who animated our 40 hours, will be returning for a mini day of Adoration and outreach, therefore there will be continued Adoration after the mid-day Mass until 7pm when there will be a First Friday Mass. Outreach will continue until 10pm. As before a sign-up sheet will be provided to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is never unattended. Please be generous and give an hour of your time.

Craft & Tabletop Sale: On Saturday 7th November in the church Hall from 10am to 2pm. Raising funds for the church - come along and browse the goodies on sale and enjoy a tea or coffee.

Knights of St Columba: There will be a meeting on Wednesday 28th October in St Columba's, Culloden at 6.30pm. All those men over the age of 18 with an interest in joining are greatly welcome, also past and present Knights. Contact Angus: asinclair59@outlook.com or Mobile: 07887 817742.

50th Anniversary of the Canonisation of St John Ogilvie: St Thomas' Keith is holding a special Mass on Saturday 17 October at 11.00. However, this coincides with Fr Max's 15 years ordination. Therefore to allow us to mark both occasions, we are hoping to lead a pilgrimage to Keith on the evening of Friday 16 October, to visit his rooms and to celebrate Mass in St Thomas'. Please let us know if you are interested in going.

Men's Retreat at Kilcoy Castle: Men's Philip's Retreat 30 Oct – 1 Nov. Further details on the poster at the back of the Church.

Craig Lodge 'Living Waters' Retreats: – 20-22 October; 3-5 November; 10-12 November; 17-19 November. To book go to: www.craiglodge.org/events or email: mail@craiglodge.org.

Parish Finances: If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider Gift Aid for any contributions to the parish. For further information please speak to Carol. If you wish to make any payments/donations to the parish, cheques should be made out as follows:

RCD – Inverness St Mary's

Collection: 04/10/2026	£1028
Shop Appeal	£ 455

Many thanks for your generosity to the Parish