

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.



An Afternoon for Life

at the Pastoral Centre, Lawside Road, Dundee

Saturday 24 February 12.45pm until 4.20pm

All welcome to attend.

To register email: mcgrawclare@gmail.com

You are also invited to join the 40 Days for Life campaign

40 Days for Life is a campaign of prayer, fasting and peaceful public witness to intercede for all victims of Abortion—mothers as well as babies and to ask for the intervention of the Holy Spirit to bring about an end to the killing of unborn children in the womb. Last year our first campaign was supported by around 60 people from all parts of the diocese, including Bishop Stephen and several priests, who joined us in prayer at the vigil site on Ninewells Avenue. Now you can take part in our 2018 campaign by giving an hour of your time to join a peaceful prayer vigil during Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday, 14th February.

Vigil Site: Ninewells Avenue. (pavement across from the roundabout)

Times: Monday—Friday 12pm—8pm; Saturday and Sunday 2pm—4pm

For more information or to register interest, phone 07825564267 or sign up online by leaving your name, address and telephone number, along with the day/days and hour/hours when you wish to come, at: prayforlifedundee@gmail.com

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time

4th February 2018

Next Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time.

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Welcome to the Coastal Parishes of

St. Thomas', Arbroath;

St. Anne's, Carnoustie

and St. Bride's, Monifieth

Sunday Masses

Vigil Mass on Saturday at 5 p.m. in St. Bride's

Mass at 10 a.m. in St. Anne's

Mass at 10.45 a.m. in St. Thomas'

Mass at 11.30 a.m. in St. Bride's

Sacrament of Reconciliation—this week

St. Thomas': Monday 6.15 to 6.45 p.m.

St. Anne's: on request

St. Bride's: Saturday 4 to 4.30 p.m.

MASSES THIS WEEK

PLEASE NOTE THAT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE WEEKDAY MASS IN ST. BRIDE'S WILL BE AT 10.30 A.M. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY

Monday 5th February *Memorial of St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr*
St. Anne's: 9.30 a.m.; **St. Bride's:** 10.30 a.m.; **St. Thomas':** 7 p.m.

Tuesday 6th February *Memorial of St. Paul Miki and companions, Martyrs*
St. Anne's: 9.30 a.m. **St. Thomas':** 10 a.m.; **St. Bride's:** 10.30 a.m.

Wednesday 7th February
St. Thomas': 10 a.m.; **St. Mary's Home:** 6 p.m.; **St. Anne's:** 7 p.m.

Thursday 8th February
St. Anne's: 9.30 a.m.; **St. Thomas':** 10 a.m.; **St. Bride's:** 10.30 a.m.

Friday 9th February
St. Anne's: 9.30 a.m.; **St. Thomas':** 10 a.m.; **St. Bride's:** 10.30 a.m.

Saturday 10th February *Memorial of St. Scholastica, Virgin*
St. Bride's: 9.30 a.m.; **St. Thomas':** 10 a.m.



Please pray for those who are sick: Bishop Vincent Logan, Jane Higgins, Betty McGinty, George Hill, Eddie Lebida, Jessie Low, Kathleen Taylor, Susan Chalmers, Alison Oakes, Debbie McArthur, Baby Isobel McCaskey, George Kelbie, Cathie McLean, Ailsa McIntosh, James McDonald, John McKee, Laura Bennett, Robert Meikle, Cathie Walls, Duane Joseph, Father Luke Fong, Frank Osborne, Annie McCormack, Marie Fenton, William Docherty, Annie McKenzie, Helen Lukas, Joan and Mick Gartland, Janet Howie, Helen Blyth, Moira Fallone, Irene Burton, Ria Beattie, Norma McAra, Riley Johnston, Marion Jones, David Allardice, Adam Rennie, Margaret Spink, Tom Tait, Ina Stuart, Teresa Ritchie, Kim Scott, Gerard Lukas, Frances Toshney, Isabel Carroll, Peggy McGhee, Wendy Wilcox, Marjorie Robson (Bishop Stephen's mother), Vera Swifte, Craig and Kerry McFadyen, Father Jim McCruden, Father Andrew Clark, Carine Hill, Bernard Colvin, Sister Mary Claver LSP, Brian Duncan.

those who have died recently: Elizabeth Knox, Marlene Campbell, Margaret McLaughlin, Jim Donnelly, Grace Corkhill,

and those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Mgr. Ben Donachie, Edwin Solley, Kay Oxford, Marie Clark, Thomas Edward McLorinan, Mary Gardner, Dave Dakers, Kay Robertson, Ignatius Lyons, Peppo Orsi, Helen Lewsley, James Pollok, Alexander Ireland, John Donnelly, Helen Wright, Edwin Hardie, Michael Thomas Niland, Joseph Linnen, Gerry O'Brien, Terence Thom.



St Patrick's Night
Tickets are now on sale for this exciting social evening.
Entertainment from the St. Bride's Folk Group.
Tickets cost £7 (including buffet) and are available
from Eddie Mahoney 01382 532007 or any member of
the St. Bride's Social Group



FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTRE

Saturday 17th February: A Diocesan Lenten Retreat Day in the Lawside Convent Building and Chapel from 10.15am until 3.30pm. All welcome. Keynote talk by Bishop Stephen Robson: "Now is the favourable time: The Spirit led Jesus into the desert". Participants are asked to bring a packed lunch.

Saturday 3rd March: Preparing for the Easter Triduum: a day conference and celebration as Holy Week approaches, to be held at the Diocesan Centre, Lawside Road, from 10.15am until 3.30pm. Keynote address on The Spirituality of the Easter Triduum by Fr. Steven Mulholland. This day will be of particular benefit to readers, cantors, musicians, servers and all involved in the liturgies of the Easter Triduum. Participants are asked to bring a packed lunch.

To register for either event please call 01382 225453 or email kevinjamesgolden@hotmail.com

For those unable to attend the Lenten Retreat Day in the Pastoral Centre, I am more than happy to have a Lenten Retreat Day for the three coastal parishes in St. Anne's on Saturday 10th March. More details soon.

Ministries: A reminder that if you are performing a ministry in any of the three parishes, please make sure that you arrive at least 10 minutes before Mass begins.

Ministries Thank-You: As mentioned previously, I would like to invite all who perform a ministry in any of our three parishes to a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a buffet reception. This will take place on **Wednesday 7th February at 7pm in St. Anne's**. **Could I ask those who are coming to put their names on the lists in the three churches, so we know how many to cater for. Many thanks.**

Bishop's Pastoral Visit: Today we welcome Bishop Stephen to our parishes, as he celebrates the 10 a.m. Mass in St. Anne's and the 11.30 a.m. Mass in St. Bride's. Next weekend he will celebrate the Vigil Mass in St. Bride's and 10.45 a.m. Mass in St. Thomas'.

World Day of Prayer for the Sick There will be Mass to mark this day which falls on the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes in St. Mary's Lochee on **Friday 9th February at 7 p.m.**

Applications for the Seminary Thinking about Diocesan Priesthood in 2018? The Catholic Church in Scotland is now inviting you to apply for the seminary. For more information please contact our Vocations Director, Father Michael Carrie - email: frmichaelcarrie@outlook.com or telephone: 01382 539476

SCIAF Door Collection: Will be held in St. Bride's this weekend.

Save the Date: To mark Fairtrade Fortnight, St. Bride's will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on **Sunday 4th March**. More details soon!

Palm Crosses We need your palm crosses from last year, so they can be burned and the ashes used in the Liturgy on Ash Wednesday. Please hand them in to the sacristy, thanks.

Fiona Edwards writes: *Just a wee note of thanks to Fr. Michael for allowing my mum (Sheila McCormack) to sell tablet at St. Bride's on Saturday evenings. Thanks also to all who buy the tablet or give a couple of pounds towards my Breast Cancer Research Fund at Ninewells. Last year's total was £8,500, which brings the total raised since 2003 to over £68,000. Many thanks!*

DUNKELD SERRA invite you to join them for their annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Priesthood and Intercession for Priests which will take place on **Saturday 10 February at 11am in St. Joseph's Convent Chapel, Lawside**. Bishop Stephen will be the main celebrant.

St. Anne's 100 Club A reminder that Margaret Smyth will be collecting annual dues for the next couple of weeks.

Many thanks for your continued generosity in the parishes. The offertory collections last Sunday were: £635 in Monifieth, £307 in Carnoustie and £494 in Arbroath. The special collection for the African Missions raised: £398 in Monifieth; £153 in Carnoustie and £237 in Arbroath.

A reminder that you can contribute your weekly offering by Standing Order or Direct Debit. If you would like to do this, please let me know and I will prepare the appropriate forms for you. Also, if you do not already Gift Aid your offering, but pay tax, please consider signing a gift aid form. For every £1, the parishes can claim back 25p from the government.

The **Dunkeld Diocesan Choir** is seeking more men to join the tenor and bass sections of the choir. Sight singing is not necessary. Rehearsals begin on **Tuesday 13 February** in the Lady Chapel of St Andrew's Cathedral at 7pm. More info from Canon Kevin at kevinjamesgolden@hotmail.com