

# OUR LADY AND ST JOSEPH'S PARISH, KIRKWALL

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## Confessions

Sun: 10.30am – 10.45am  
Mon: 11.15am – 11.30am  
Tue: 11.30am – 11.45pm  
Thu: 5.00pm – 5.15pm  
Fri: 11.30am – 11.45am  
Sat: 5.00pm – 5.15pm

## Eucharistic Adoration

Tue: 11am – 11.50am  
Fri: 11am – 11.50am  
Sat: 11am – 11.50am

## The Holy Rosary

Sat: 11.05am

**Please pray for the sick & housebound:** Betty Dunne, David Peppitt, Ron on Hoy, Jean & Maurice Soord, Elizabeth Haney, and all who ask for our prayers.

**Please pray for those who have recently died:** Val Clark, RIP.

## COLLECTIONS

### 6th August 2026

Offertory £215.00  
Special (Sick & Retired Priests) £186.34  
Standings Orders £132.69\*  
\*Average weekly figure

Account Name: **RC Diocese of Aberdeen Our Lady and St Joseph's Parish**

Account No. 00674973  
Sort Code: 80-08-66.

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## MASS TIMES

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| <b>Sunday 13th September</b><br>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time<br><i>Vocations Awareness Week</i>    | <b>5.30pm</b> (Sat.)<br><b>11.00am</b> – For the People                         |
| <b>Monday 14th September</b><br>The Exultation of the Holy Cross                                   | <b>11.45am</b> – (Mass of Sunday)                                               |
| <b>Tuesday 15th September</b><br><i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>                                        | <b>12 noon</b> – Canon Leo Glancy, RIP                                          |
| <b>Wednesday 16th September</b><br>Saint Ninian                                                    | <b>11.00am</b> – <i>Mass in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart, Saville, Sanday</i> |
| <b>Thursday 17th September</b><br>(Saint Robert Bellarmine),<br>(Saint Hildegard of Bingen)        | <b>5.30pm</b>                                                                   |
| <b>Friday 18th September</b><br><i>Saints Cornelius and Cyprian</i>                                | <b>12 noon</b>                                                                  |
| <b>Saturday 19th September</b><br>(Saint Januarius),<br>(Blessed Virgin Mary)<br>(Vigil of Sunday) | <b>12 noon</b><br><b>5.30pm</b>                                                 |
| <b>Sunday 20th September</b><br>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time                                       | <b>11.00am</b> – For the People<br><b>11.45am</b> (Mon)                         |

## READINGS AT MASS

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

FIRST READING Sirach 27:30-28:7  
*'Forgive your neighbour the wrong he has done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.'*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 103(102)  
**R/. The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and rich in mercy.**

SECOND READING Romans 14:7-9  
*'Whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.'*

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL John 13:34  
**Alleluia, alleluia.**  
**God was A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord, that you love one another, just as have loved you.**  
**Alleluia.**

GOSPEL Matthew 18:21-35  
*'I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.'*

### **Singers and Recorder Players**

The *General Instruction on the Roman Missal* (GIRM) with regard to the importance of singing says:

The Christian faithful who come together as one in expectation of the Lord's coming are instructed by the Apostle Paul to sing together Psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles (cf. Col 3:16). Singing is the sign of the heart's joy (cf. Acts 2:46). Thus St. Augustine says rightly, 'Singing is for one who loves', and there is also an ancient proverb: 'Whoever sings well prays twice over'. (GIRM 39)

As we will be celebrating Christmas in only a few months' time, I would like to form a small *schola* (choir) to help with the singing of the Psalm, hymns and other musical settings at Mass. Also, with a view to Christmas, I would like to invite any recorder players to form a group to support the singing of carols and other liturgical music. If you are interested, please contact me.

Father Andrew

### **Looking at Sacred Music in Our Parishes & Schools**

For all those who love music at Mass and who want to find out more, Bishop Hugh has invited several local and national leaders to share with you its value and importance. You are warmly invited to attend one of the two days set aside for this purpose.

Saturday 19 September 2026, 10.00am – 4.00pm  
St Francis of Assisi, Mannofield

Saturday 26 September 2026, 10.00am – 4.00pm  
Greyfriars Convent, Abbey St, Elgin

If you require more information or wish to register, please contact the Bishop's P.A [bishopspa@rcd-abdn.org](mailto:bishopspa@rcd-abdn.org)

### **Parish Barbecue**

Thank you to all who helped to make the recent Parish Barbecue such a success. Thanks also to everyone who attended. The raffle raised £102.10. Thank you for your generosity! If you have numbers **191** and **204**, please collect your prize. Also, prizes for **463** and **471** remain unclaimed, please check your numbers.

### **Mass in Sanday**

The next Mass in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart, Saville, Sanday, will be at 11am on Wednesday, 13th September, the Feast of Saint Ninian.

### **Special Collection – Sick and Retired Priests**

Thank you to everyone who donated to the special collection for the Sick and Retired Priests last Sunday. You raised a total of £186.34. Thank you for your generosity!

There will be no 11.45am Mass on  
**Monday 21 September**  
as Father Andrew will be on Retreat

### **Parish Council Meeting**

The Parish Council will be meeting in Chapel House at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 15th September. The minutes of the previous meeting are displayed on the noticeboard at the church vestibule.

### **Smiddybrae House Service**

The next Sunday Service to be held at Smiddybrae House in Dounby, will be on 20th September at 3pm. The service, which is about 30 minutes long, will include hymns, readings and prayer. There will also be an opportunity to chat to the residents over a cup of tea and makes Sunday a special day for all. Everyone is welcome.

### **ECUMENICAL READING GROUP**

***Rewilding the Church***  
by Steve Aisthorpe

**Starting 23rd September at 7.00pm**

Meeting fortnightly via Zoom

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