

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: John Shiner, RIP.

COLLECTIONS

20th September 2026

Offertory £288.76
Standings Orders £132.69*

27th September 2026

Offertory £317.83
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.

MASS TIMES

Sunday 4th October 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5.30pm (Sat.) 11.00am – For the People
Monday 5th October (Mass of Sunday) (Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska)	11.45am
Tuesday 6th October (Saint Bruno)	12 noon – David Morris, RIP
Wednesday 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary	12 noon
Thursday 8th October	NO MASS
Friday 9th October (Saint Denis and Companions) (Saint John Leonardi) (Saint John Henry Newman)	12 noon
Saturday 10th October (Blessed Virgin Mary) (Vigil of Sunday)	12 noon 5.30pm
Sunday 11th October 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00am – For the People 3.30pm – Mass in the Italian Chapel, Lamb Holm 11.45am (Mon)

READINGS AT MASS

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 5:1-7

'The vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 80(79)

R/. The vineyard of the LORD is the house of Israel.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:6-9

'Practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.'

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Cf. John 15:16

Alleluia, alleluia.

**I chose you out of the world, says the Lord,
that you should go and bear fruit,
and that your fruit should abide.
Alleluia.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-43

'He will let out the vineyard to other tenants.'

First Saturday Mass for the Protection of Human Life

The Highland Deanery invites you to Holy Mass and the Holy Hour for Life at 10.30am in St Lawrence's, Dingwall, every first Saturday of the month. Confession will be available from 10am. The first Mass will be on 7th November 2026.

Gift Aid

If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider Gift Aid for any contributions to the parish. For further information about Gift Aid, please speak to Mary Dunn or to Father Andrew. Gift Aid Declaration forms are available.

Gift Aid Envelopes

Father Andrew has ordered new Gift Aid envelopes which should arrive in the next few weeks and will be made available at the back of the church.

Smiddybrae House Service

The last Sunday Service of 2026 to be held at Smiddybrae House in Dounby, will be on 8th November 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.

*Of your charity
please pray for the soul of*



John Shiner

who died 19th September 2026.

Funeral Mass

Tuesday, 6th October in Aberdeen

Rite of Committal

Tuesday, 8th October, 1pm on Sanday

R.I.P.

Month of the Holy Rosary

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. The Rosary will be recited before Holy Mass at 11.30am this week on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

Commemoration of the Sinking of HMS Royal Oak

Father Andrew will celebrate Holy Mass in the Italian Chapel, Lamb Holm, at 3.30pm on Sunday 11th October 2026 in commemoration of those men and boys who lost their lives in the sinking of HMS Royal Oak in Scapa Flow on 14th October 1939.

2026 Pilgrimage Announcement

(Led by Fr. James Anyaegbu)

Join the 2026 pilgrimage to Italy (3rd Nov.-10th Nov. 2026), which will take us to Vatican City in Rome, the shrine of St Padre Pio in San Giovanni Rotondo, and the holy sites of St Francis, St Clare and Blessed Carlo Acutis in Assisi. (£1,675/£1,499 per person). For more information and bookings, visit: <https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/RS1115/> Once you have made your deposit, please send your confirmation to **07930 822207**. You will then be added to the 2026 Pilgrimage WhatsApp Group for all updates.

GRIEF TO GRACE A Healing Retreat for Victims of Abuse

22nd to 27th February 2027

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Grief to Grace is a specialised 5-day programme of spiritual and psychological healing for anyone who has suffered from sexual, physical, or emotional abuse or neglect in childhood, adolescence or adulthood, including those abused by a religious / member of the clergy. If you are interested in this confidential healing retreat, please contact:

Grief to Grace (Scotland) at
margaret.clarke@griefftograceuk.org

Pro-Life Talk

Lucy Walker from SPUC will give a talk entitled *Protecting Life: The Mission of SPUC*, which will be taking place on Saturday, 24 October at 11.00 am in the Marian Room, St Mary's, Inverness. The talk will last approximately 45 minutes, followed by an opportunity for questions.