



# The Roman Catholic Parish of Our Lady and St Joseph's Kirkwall

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## Sunday Mass of Obligation

Our Lady & St Joseph's Kirkwall

Italian Chapel Mass 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the  
Month  
April - October

Sunday Mass in Our Lady and  
St Joseph Kirkwall Mass 5.30pm.

Monday 11.45am Mass and devotions  
Our Lady and St Joseph's, Orkney

**CONFESSIONS ON REQUEST**

**PLEASE CHECK FOR MASS TIMES**

Please remember that there is  
**Tea, Coffee**, after Mass today.

## Orkney Collections.

Thank you all for your continued  
support. Donations to the parish by  
cheque should be made out to  
**RC Diocese of Aberdeen Our  
Lady and St Joseph's Parish.**  
Bank payments/direct debits can be  
made to  
Account No. 00674973  
Sort Code 80-0866  
Collection envelopes & Gift Aid  
forms are available if required.  
**PLEASE ASK**

Please remember  
that in Orkney  
you can now  
donate on line  
using the

**Q**  
code.

## Smiddybrae Care Home Orkney.

Our next date for leading the  
Sunday service at Smiddybrae  
is 11<sup>th</sup> May, with a 3pm start,  
all  
**WELCOME.**

## Diocesan Registration Forms

There are new diocesan  
registration forms are now  
available from Fr Colin.  
Please fill in what you are  
happy fill complete and return  
to Fr. Colin

In April we pray for the souls of :-  
**George MacKay Brown, Colin Wylie  
Marie Leslie, Fr Kenneth Nugent SJ  
Betty Summers, Ken Bolton  
Jeanne Horill.**

**'Eternal Rest grant unto them  
O' Lord, and let perpetual light shine  
upon them, may they rest in peace'.**

We pray also for all those we have known &  
loved, and all those whose anniversary falls  
at this time. We remember also those who  
grieve the loss of a loved one.

To add names speak to Fr Colin

Please pray for the Sick and  
Housebound of our family at Our Lady  
and St Joseph's, Orkney.

Albert Randall, Betty Dunne  
David Peppitt, Val Clark, Ron on Hoy  
Jean & Morris Soord, Elizabeth Haney  
Ken Smith, Fr Peter Kelly.

**If you know someone who is sick or  
housebound please ask if they would like  
to be on the prayer list.**

## Holy Week in Caithness

### St Joachim's Wick.

17<sup>th</sup> April, Holy Thursday 7pm  
18<sup>th</sup> April, Good Friday 3pm  
19<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Vigil 8pm

### St Anne's Thurso.

19<sup>th</sup> April Morning Prayer 10am  
20<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Sunday 9.45am

## Date for the Diary.

"Skinnet Stone", to be erected on the  
outskirts of Hallkirk close to the site of  
the original stone. Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May at  
11:30am is the date for the unveiling.

## Music Ministry in Orkney.

Bobby's and his family have now  
returned to the US. We wish them well.  
This leaves us without a music ministry,  
if there is anyone in the parish that can  
play an instrument please encourage  
them to speak to Fr.

## Adverse Weather Conditions.

Sailings are still being affected by the  
weather. Please keep an eye of the parish  
web-site and Facebook pages for updates  
during bad weather.

## Monthly Collection Totals

Caithness 1<sup>st</sup> £1302.50  
2<sup>nd</sup> £498.88

Mill Hill Fathers Missions £500

Orkney 1<sup>st</sup> £ 1105,59

Mill Hill Fathers Missions £ 210

Fr Fleetwood will be supplying on Orkney  
in Our Lady and St Joseph's for Easter  
from Wed 16<sup>th</sup> April  
until Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April.

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20<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Sunday 11am

**Weekday Mass times to be confirmed  
nearer the time.**

## Our Lady and St Joseph's Refurbishment Projects.

CCTV £1631.45 installation soon  
Induction Loop awaiting quote.  
Repairing and decorating the interior of the  
church will be delayed until late this year.

## International Island Games ORKNEY Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

As discussed at the last Parish Council Meeting in Our Lady and  
St Joseph's the church will be open all week so that visitors can visit the church to pray. I will  
also Celebrate Mass, Sunday 5.30pm and Monday to Friday at 11.45am during the games, with  
confession on request.

We already have one or two volunteers so that there is always someone present in the Church  
for security reasons. We do need more volunteers to help with this, so if you can spare some  
time during the week of the games please speak to Fr Colin or one of the committee members.

Volunteers will have access to the parish room and kitchen for tea and coffee etc. We also  
need volunteers for the Chaplaincy Table in the marquee at the Pickaquoy Centre.



Our Lady & St Joseph's

St Joachim's

St Anne's

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#### St Joachim's Wick

Sunday Vigil Mass 5.30pm

Tea & Coffee after Mass, first Sun of Month

#### St Anne's Thurso

Mass 9.45am

Tea and Coffee in Parish Room after Mass.

#### Our Lady & St Joseph's

##### Kirkwall

Sunday Mass 5.30pm

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### Weekday Mass Times

#### MONDAY: 7<sup>th</sup> April

Our Lady & St Joseph's Kirkwall

11.45am Mass and Devotions

#### TUESDAY: 8<sup>th</sup> April Orkney.

#### WEDNESDAY: 9<sup>th</sup> April

St Joachim's Wick 10am

Devotions and Mass.

#### THURSDAY: 10<sup>th</sup> April

Diocesan Chrism Mass 6pm

St Mary's Inverness.

#### FRIDAY: 11<sup>th</sup> April

St Anne's Thurso. 10am

Mass and Devotions

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

Our first reading for this weekend contains a message of hope addressed to the Jewish people living in exile in Babylon. There will be a new exodus so glorious that it will put the great events of the first exodus in the shade. And all this will happen because God is faithful to his people. This in turn prepares us for the Gospel reading. Christians see the radically new thing that God has done for us in and through Jesus. Specifically we see God's love and compassion in the way Jesus deals compassionately with the sinful woman. The woman is taken from John's Gospel, but actually resembles the style of Luke. Today we would see it as entrapment, which sought to show the wisdom of Jesus in beating his his adversaries. The aim of scribes and the Pharisees was to set a trap for him, if he pardoned the woman he could be accused of encouraging people to break the law of Moses. If he agreed to the stoning he would lose his name for mercy. But Jesus turned the tables on her accusers by suggesting that they looked to their own sins first.

In the second reading St Paul has willingly sacrificed everything for the justification that comes from faith in Christ, and for the hope of resurrection.

### Station Mass St Anne's Fri 4<sup>th</sup> April.

On Friday evening we as a parish hosted the Deanery Station Mass for the fourth Week of Lent. I am extremely grateful to the fourteen parishioners from the parish who turned up to help make the evening a wonderful celebration. To the fourteen again I say thank you for all that you did in the preparations before and cleaning up after. You know who you are.

In the Month Of April we pray for the repose of the souls of:

John Gunn, Catherine Veal

Arthur McKeaveney, Michael Kelly

Clemens Kuczynski

William Farquharson, Holly Cormac

Christina Doull, Ersilia Cabrelli

E. Warren-Dixon, Frank Garety

Rudolph Griszczynski, Kathleen Crichton

Patrick Curtin, S. Rudyk, P. Pieracini

Colin Wade, Karen King

Fr John Beveridge

Rex Chivers, Stuart F. McIntyre

Andrew Anderson, Elizabeth Ryan

Norman Stance

Please pray for the deceased Priests, Deacons and Religious of our diocese along with all those we have known & loved. We also remember those who grieve the loss of a loved one.

Please give additional names to Fr Colin

### **Please pray for the sick and house bound of our parish especially:-**

(Wick) Daphne Gillks, Pina Cabrelli

Marie Arnold, Nina Robertson

Helen Budge, Marie & Gerry Franzoni

Alison Franzoni White, Clair Franzoni

Dermot Rachbone Helen & Tommy

Timbrell, Margaret Sutherland

(Thurso) Jim Benbow, Jean Calder

Fred & Gay Catlow, Little Ewan

Lornneka Murphy, Jan Hughes

(Talmine) Gitte MacKay, Pam Stamp

We pray for the Sick Clergy and Religious of our Diocese, especially for Fr Peter Kelly who is back in hospital and all who are ill at this time and ask of our prayer. Please also remember in your prayers the Holy Father Pope Francis that he continues to recover from his recent illness.

### **Lenten Station / Chrism Mass**

10<sup>th</sup> April, Chrism Mass

6pm St Mary's Inverness.

11<sup>th</sup> Apr. St's Peter & Benedict's Fort Augusts.

### **Collections.** Thank you all for your continued support.

Cheques should be made out to **RC Diocese of Aberdeen St Anne's and St Joachim's Parish.**

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Aid forms, from M. Jennings.

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### **Hospital, Nursing Home & Home Visiting in Caithness & Orkney.**

Contact Fr Colin 01847 893196

**Teas and Coffee and a Bletcher in the Parish Room Thurso after Mass**