

The Roman Catholic Parish of

Our Lady and St Joseph's Kirkwall

in the Diocese of Aberdeen
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(Resident in Thurso)



Sunday Mass of Obligation

Our Lady & St Joseph's Kirkwall

Italian Chapel Mass in May will be on Sunday 11th at 3.30pm This change is for May only

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

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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

<u>Smiddybrae Care Home</u> <u>Orkney.</u>

Our next date for leading the Sunday service at Smiddybrae is 11th 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 :Domenico Chiocchetti, Kenneth Luke
Gwendoline Bremner, Iona Soord
Mary Firth, David Ward
Catherine Ann Bews.

'Eternal Rest grant unto them O' Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon they, 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.

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

Date's for the Diary.

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

Bishop Hugh extends an invitation to you all to attend the annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Pluscarden Abbey on Sunday 29th June 2025

Mass 3pm Poster on notice board.

Music Ministry in Orkney.

We are now 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 April.

Caithness 1st £

Orkney 1st £

A huge thank you to Fr Fleetwood for his ministry in Orkney during Holy Week and also the first week of Easter along with offering Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis

Next Sunday we will have Mr Ian Milne from the charity Abraham's Children in Crisis.

I invited Ian to the parish to give us an update on the situation of the youngsters in the current situation in Gaza and Israel A Second collection will be taken in Caithness and Orkney for the Abraham's Children in Crisis Charity.

Our Lady and St Joseph's Refurbishment Projects.

CCTV £1631.45 installation soon Induction Loop awaiting quote.

The Italian Chapel Mass will be held next Sunday the 11th May at 3.30pm to coincide with the commemoration of VE Day there will be Family Members of the prisoners will be on the island and hopefully present at the Mass.

International Island Games ORKNEY Saturday 12th to Saturday

19th 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 Pickaguoy Centre.

The Parishes of Our Lady and St Joseph's Orkney and St Anne & St Joachim, in the Diocese of Aberdeen.







Our Lady & St Joseph's

St Joachim's

St Anne's

Sunday Bulletin

6th- 7th May 2025, 3rd Sunday Easter Year C

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Sunday Mass of Obligation

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: 7th May. Our Lady & St Joseph's Kirkwall 11.45am Mass and Devotions

TUESDAY: 8th May.
In Orkney

WEDNESDAY: 9th May. St Joachim's

THURSDAY: 10th May.
Fr Colin is away at a
Deanery meeting in Tain.
FRIDAY: 11th May.
St Anne's Thurso 10am
Mass and Devotions
SATURDAY:

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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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Account No. 00723675
Collection envelopes & Gift
Aid forms available from

M. Jennings.
PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE
If you pay Tax please complete a

Gift Aid Form, it does not cost you anything.

Hospital, Nursing Home & Home Visiting in Caithness & Orkney.
Contact Fr Colin

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Third Sunday Of Easter

Our first reading today tells of the opposition that the Apostles encountered from the Jewish authorities. The persecution did not come as a surprise as Jesus himself had predicted it and in reality it came an opportunity for the apostles to bear witness to him, as they refused to be silenced. Always the central point of their witness is the Resurrection of Jesus. So far from being demoralised, they were in fact glad to suffer for the sake of Jesus and his teaching. The Gospel shows that the constant feature of the resurrection stories is that Jesus was not recognised at first, but takes a word of familiar gesture for him to be known for who he is. This is an effective way of making the point that the resurrection in not a return to out normal earthly way of life, but that Jesus has risen to a new and higher life beyond death. He is the same Jesus and yet he has been transformed, he is not as he was; but is still who he was. mission of of the Apostles to be fishers of men, the fishermen of the human race. The large catch shows how successful the disciples can be with the help of Jesus at their side. And the meal, well it symbolises the the Eucharistic meal in which Jesus is present to them and feeds them. Peter, who three times denied knowing Jesus, is now given three chances to profess his love, and is then given a mandate to care for the Lord's Flock. In giving authority to the man who denied him Jesus wanted to show that he was establishing his Church not on human strength but on love and faithfulness.

In the Month of May we pray for the repose of the souls of:

all those who have died. The list will be updated next week.

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
along with date and year and they will
be added.

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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, and all who are ill at this time and ask of our prayer.

Please pray for our Seminarians.
Rev. Deacon Aidan Matheson who is preparing for ordination to the priesthood in June.
Also Auh Tuan
Rene Delos Reyes,
and Richard Webster who all continue in their studies.

Conclave Please pray for all the Cardinals of the Church as they prepare to go into conclave to elect a new Pope. That through prayer and reflection on scripture they may bring forth a new Pope, a new Holy Father, to lead and guide us the people of God hear on earth.