

Brief Remembrance Service - Remembrance Sunday - Prior to Holy Mass

In St. James' we will gather in the church garden (weather permitting) and in Our Lady's we will just gather as normal in the pews at church.

Opening Prayer (Fr. Martin): In the name of the Father, etc. ... Almighty ever-living God, you who alone are Love, you who are the source of all peace and reconciliation, look with mercy upon your people, and upon all nations torn by war, conflict and violence. Turn the hearts of men and women to you as they seek to heal the wounds of division and strife, to end hatred and bloodshed. As we remember today those who have given the ultimate sacrifice of their life to defend freedom and peace, help us to work for a world where the values of the Gospel are lived in their fullness. Help us to be grateful for those who have given their all for us, and with their sins forgiven them, welcome these souls into your Kingdom where love reigns supreme. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Response (Congregation): **Amen.**

The 'De Profundis'

Psalm 129 (*The sixth penitential psalm*).

(Fr. Martin) Out of the depths I have cried unto Thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.
Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

(Congregation) If Thou, O Lord, shalt mark our iniquities: O Lord, who can abide it?
For with Thee there is mercy: and by reason of Thy law I have waited on Thee, O Lord.

(Fr. Martin) My soul hath waited on His word: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.
From the morning watch even unto night: let Israel hope in the Lord.

(Congregation) For with the Lord there is mercy: and with Him is plenteous redemption.
And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

(Fr. Martin) Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

(Congregation) And let perpetual light shine upon them.

(Fr. Martin) May they rest in peace.

(Congregation) Amen.

(Fr. Martin) Lord, hear my prayer.

(Congregation) And let my cry come unto Thee.

(Fr. Martin) Let us pray.
O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful; grant to the souls of Thy servants departed the remission of all their sins, that by our devout supplications they may obtain that pardon which they have always desired.
Who livest and reignest world without end.

(Congregation) Amen.

The poppy wreaths will then be put in position (at the shrine in Kinross and in front of the altar in Perth). Once this has been done you will be asked to come forward, in complete silence, to place your small cross near to the wreath in remembrance of your own departed loved ones. After this, please return to your place immediately. We will then observe one minute's silence in remembrance of all the war dead.

After this return in silence to the church if you are in Kinross, and once in church we will begin our opening hymn. In Our Lady's the opening hymn will begin as usual after the minute's silence. Children will go with their leaders immediately to the Children's Liturgy without announcements or any ceremony. Please make sure you already have the Children's Liturgy Book with you if you are in Kinross.

Parish Newsletter

**Our Lady of Lourdes', Perth &
St. James', Kinross**

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Preparation for Baptism - Parish Lessons

Deacon Des has very kindly agreed to run the baptismal preparation meetings for both parishes. Therefore, anyone wishing to have a child baptised must now contact him on his e-mail address - desconnors@brcdt.org - in order to make the necessary arrangements. There will be set times for the baptismal lessons, they will be held once monthly, and will be a requirement for baptism in the parish. The next meetings will be Wednesday 4th December in St. James', Kinross, and Thursday 5th December in Our Lady's, Perth. Even if parents have already approached me about Baptism for their children they must also now contact Deacon Des and make arrangements for the lessons. The lessons will take part on these dates at 7.00p.m. in the respective church halls. For January 2025 the dates are Wednesday 8th for St. James' and Thursday 9th for Our Lady's.

God bless, Fr. Martin

If you are interested in the parish outing to Pitlochry Theatre on Sunday 15th December for the 2.00p.m. showing of 'The Sound of Music' please approach Florence Reid in Our Lady's, or Geraldine Johnstone in St. James'. The initial ticket price of £30.20 per person must be paid by 17/11/24. If you cancel, your money will not be refunded, as this would ultimately mean the parish having to pay for your ticket instead (which we cannot afford to do), so please be aware of this when you decide to book. For all the details of the outing and the total costs please speak to the ladies mentioned above.

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Office Hours for the Parish Secretary (Dianne Mitchell): Thursday 10.00a.m. to 12.00 noon

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Times of Holy Mass, Confessions, etc.

Please be aware that there are changes to the usual timetable this week, so double-check the Mass times, etc.

Monday 11th November - Memorial of St. Martin of Tours (W) - No Public Mass - Children's Catechism Class in St. James', Kinross, from after school until 4.30p.m. Prayer Group in St. James', Kinross, from 7.30p.m. - meeting in the church hall.

Tuesday 12th November - Memorial of St. Josaphat (R) - Holy Rosary at 9.30a.m. in Our Lady's, Perth, followed by Holy Mass at 10.00a.m. Tea/Coffee in the church hall after Holy Mass (all are welcome). Confessions only after morning Mass. Deacon Des to lead Holy Hour in Our Lady's from 6.00-7.00p.m.

Wednesday 13th November - Mass for the Dead (B) - Holy Rosary at 9.30a.m. in St. James', Kinross, followed by Holy Mass at 10.00a.m. Tea/Coffee in the church hall after Holy Mass (all are welcome). Confessions only after morning Mass. Meeting for parents of children preparing for the Sacraments in St. James', Kinross, at 6.30p.m. - meeting to be held in the church hall. (No Adoration or Confessions this evening).

Thursday 14th November - Mass for the Dead (B) - Holy Mass at 10.00a.m. in Our Lady's, Perth. Holy Mass at 12 noon in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee - *Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the Diocese of Dunkeld* - all parishioners are most welcome to attend. Holy Hour in St. James', Kinross, led by Deacon Des, from 6.00-7.00p.m.

Friday 15th November - Mass for the Dead (B) - Divine Office for the Dead at 9.30a.m. in St. James', Kinross, followed by Holy Mass at 10.00a.m.

Confessions are always available after every weekday Mass and upon request, please also see weekend times for Confession.

Saturday 16th November - Vigil Mass of the 33rd Sunday of Year B (G) - Confessions in Our Lady's from 4.00-4.45p.m., followed by the Vigil Mass at 5.00p.m. Vigil Mass in St. James', Kinross, at 7.00p.m. followed by an opportunity for Confession after Mass.

Sunday 17th November - Mass of the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B (G) - Holy Mass in St. James', Kinross, at 9.00a.m. Holy Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes', Perth, at 11.00a.m.

Mariola's Handmade Cards

Beautiful handmade cards will be on sale after Mass in Kinross 16th/17th Nov., and 23rd/24th Nov., and in Our Lady of Lourdes on 30th Nov./1st Dec., and 7th/8th Dec.

A wee explanation regarding having a Mass offered for an intention... I hope you'll forgive me if I provide a simple explanation regarding having a Mass offered for an intention. I do this not to be patronising, but because I sense that there are different degrees of understanding amongst parishioners about what this entails, so I hope to offer some clarity...

Every Sunday Mass is offered for the people of the parish, what we call '*pro populo*' so we cannot ask to have a Sunday Mass offered for a particular private intention, only a weekday or Saturday Mass.

A priest is permitted only to take one Mass stipend per day, even if he celebrates multiple Masses (the only exception to this was Christmas Day). So, for example, I may celebrate one of the Saturday Vigil Masses for a particular intention and take a stipend for it, but I may not take a stipend for the second Saturday Vigil Mass. What this means, in effect, is that if I am asked to say many Masses, which in itself is a good thing, I end up having a backlog of Masses to celebrate.

When I still have many Masses to celebrate it is only a matter of justice that the Masses I received first I celebrate first, and this may mean that it is impossible for me to offer Mass on a particular date for people, because I already have other Masses still to say. This should not put people off from having Masses offered but requires, rather, that people are flexible as to when the Mass is said. If, as is the case at the moment, I have well over 100 Masses in my Mass book I cannot reasonably guarantee when the Mass you want to have offered will be said. It will most certainly be offered, as I am obliged to do so if I receive a stipend, but when exactly it will be offered is another matter.

During the month of November all the Masses other than ritual Masses (e.g. weddings/funerals) and Sunday Masses are offered for the Holy Souls. Individuals may be remembered in prayer, but individual Mass intentions will be left until after November. Of course, we may put the names of the deceased on the Holy Souls Lists.

Mass can be offered for any person, living or dead, Catholic or non-Catholic. The past recommendation was that while no one can 'charge' for a Mass, the Mass stipend given to the priest for his material support ought, at minimum, to be enough to feed him for a day - I suppose this depends on the priest's appetite!!! :-) (*Moral of the story: Pick a skinny priest - haha!*)

Readings for the 32nd Sunday of the Year - B. 10/11/24

A reading from the 1st Book of Kings 17:10-16

'Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied'

Psalm 145(146)

Response: My soul give praise to the Lord.

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ, our High Priest, has done away with sin by sacrificing Himself.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life.

Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 12:41-44 (short version)

This poor widow has put in more than all.

Please note:

Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th November there will be a Second Collection for Catholic Education Services.