

**Recent Parish Collections/Income (April, 2024):**

**Our Lady of Lourdes', Perth:**

6th/7th April	Plate Collection: £624.90	Direct to Bank: £75.00	<b>Total: £699.90</b>
13th/14th April	Plate Collection: £654.25	Direct to Bank: £75.00	<b>Total: £729.25</b>
20th/21st April	Plate Collection: £684.80	Direct to Bank: £75.00	<b>Total: £759.80</b>
27th/28th April	Plate Collection: £588.42	Direct to Bank: £75.00	<b>Total: £663.42</b>

Total Offertories for April: £2,852.37      Average Weekly Collection for April: £713.09

Building Fund/Donations for Kneelers - **£150.00**

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**St. James', Kinross:**

6th/7th April	Plate Collection: £322.52	Direct to Bank: £600.00	<b>Total: £922.52</b>
13th/14th April	Plate Collection: £306.27	Direct to Bank: £600.00	<b>Total: £906.27</b>
20th/21st April	Plate Collection: £223.86	Direct to Bank: £600.00	<b>Total: £823.86</b>
27th/28th April	Plate Collection: £345.50	Direct to Bank: £600.00	<b>Total: £945.50</b>

Total Offertories for April: £3,598.15      Average Weekly Collection for April: £899.53

Building Fund - **£262.30**

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**Diocesan Levy (the tax taken by the Diocese on individual parish income):**

**St. James', Kinross:**

General Purpose Levy 2024 (based on 2023)

Assessable Income 2023: **£49,297.24**

2024 Levy @ 25%: **£12,324.31**

Payments already made (Jan.-Apr.): **£2,797.32**

Balance remaining: **£9,526.99**

Monthly direct debits from 28th May 2024: **£1,190.87**

£0-£24,999 @15%
£25,000 - £26,999 @ 19%
£27,000-£34,999@ 21%
£35,000 - £42,999 @ 22%
£43,000 - £47,999 @ 23%
£48,000 - £51,999 @ 25%
£52,000 - £59,999 @27%
£60,000 - £64,999 @29%
£65,000 plus @ 30%

**Our Lady of Lourdes', Perth:**

General Purpose Levy 2024 (based on 2023)

Assessable Income 2023: **£47,757.03**

2024 Levy @ 23%: **£10,984.12**

Payments already made (Jan.-Apr.): **£2,800.00**

Balance remaining: **£8,184.12**

Monthly direct debits from 28th May 2024: **£1,023.01**

Many thanks, as always, for your generous support of the parishes. The parishes depend entirely upon your financial contributions in order to function. If you are a tax payer you can add to your contributions by donating with Gift Aid - for every £1.00 you contribute the parish can claim an additional 25p from HMRC, which amounts to a significant contribution to the parish finances over the year at no extra cost to yourself - you simply need to fill in a straightforward and confidential Gift Aid Form. If you do not currently Gift Aid your donations please speak to Fr. Martin or to Gordon McGregor in Our Lady's, or Tom Traynor in St. James'. If you wish to pay directly into the bank the bank details are below, please use a reference with your name that will show on the parish bank statement to indicate your contribution. Our Lady of Lourdes' Bank Details: (Bank of Scotland) DIOCESE OF DUNKELD OUR LADY OF LOURDES, Account No. 14176562, Sort Code: 80-22-60 St. James' Bank Details: (Royal Bank of Scotland) ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE DUNKELD, Account No. 00255001, Sort Code: 83-23-47

# Parish Newsletter

**Our Lady of Lourdes', Perth**

**&**

**St. James', Kinross**

In the Catholic Diocese of Dunkeld - Scottish Charity Number: SC001810

## 7th Sunday of Easter - Year B - 12/05/24

### Teas/Coffees in St. James' church hall after Sunday Mass this weekend

**Dates for your Diary - Parish Social Events:**

Afternoon Tea in Our Lady of Lourdes' church hall on Saturday 18th of May from 2.00 - 4.00p.m. *(instead of there being a set price for the Afternoon Tea, we kindly ask donations toward the Parish Building Fund)*

Teas/Toasties/Soup in Our Lady of Lourdes' church hall on Sunday 26th May after morning Mass

Parish BBQ in Our Lady of Lourdes' on Sunday 18th August (time to be confirmed)

Parish BBQ in St. James' on Sunday 25th August at 2.00p.m.

### 2nd Collection this weekend for the Apostolate of Communications

**Contact details:**

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Our Lady of Lourdes' Website: ourladyoflourdes@perth.church

St. James' Website: www.catholickinross.com

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

(Phone 01738 626979 only in order to speak to the Parish Secretary)

Parish Secretary's E-Mail addresses: ololadmin@dunkelldioocese.org.uk or stjamesadmin@dunkelldioocese.org.uk

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Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator E-Mail for Our Lady's: ololpsc@dunkelldioocese.org.uk

Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator E-Mail for St. James': stjamespsc@dunkelldioocese.org.uk

& Mobile Number (St. James'): 07720811055

Scottish Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency: www.scssa.org.uk

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Telephone Number for the Diocesan Curial Offices: 01382 225453

Dunkeld Diocesan Website: www.dunkelldioocese.co.uk

## Times of Holy Mass, Confessions, etc.

### Monday 13th May

*No public Mass*

#### St. James' Parish:

Children's Catechism Class after school  
Prayer Group Meeting in the Church at 7.30p.m.

### Tuesday 14th May

*Feast of St. Matthias (Red)*

#### Our Lady of Lourdes' Parish:

Holy Rosary at 9.30a.m.  
Holy Mass at 10.00a.m.  
Tea/Coffee in the church hall after Mass - all are welcome  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions 6.00 - 7.00p.m.

#### St. James' Parish:

*Women of the Gospels* in the church hall at 7.00p.m.

### Wednesday 15th May

*7th Week in Eastertide (White)*

#### St. James' Parish:

Holy Rosary at 9.30a.m.  
Holy Mass at 10.00a.m.  
Tea/Coffee in the church hall after Mass - all are welcome  
*(Priests' Friendly Society's A.G.M. in the afternoon)*

### Thursday 16th May

*7th Week in Eastertide (White)*

#### Our Lady of Lourdes' Parish:

Holy Rosary at 9.30a.m.  
Holy Mass at 10.00a.m.

### Friday 17th May

*7th Week in Eastertide (White)*

#### St. James' Parish:

Holy Rosary at 9.30a.m.  
Holy Mass at 10.00a.m.

### Saturday 18th May

*Vigil Masses of Pentecost - Yr. B. (Red)*

#### Our Lady of Lourdes' Parish:

Confessions 4.00 - 4.45p.m.  
Vigil Mass at 5.00p.m.

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#### St. James' Parish:

Holy Mass at 7.00p.m.  
Confessions after Holy Mass

### Sunday 19th May

*The Solemnity of Pentecost - Yr. B. (Red)*

#### St. James' Parish:

Holy Mass at 9.00a.m.

#### Our Lady's Parish:

Holy Mass at 11.00a.m. - (Confirmation Mass)

## **Readings for 7th Sunday of Easter - Year B (11th & 12th May)**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17,20-26**

*'Let someone else take his office'*

**Psalm 102(103)**

*Response: The Lord has set His sway in Heaven.*

**A reading from the 1st Letter of St. John 4:11-16**

*Anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.**

**Alleluia!**

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 17:11-19**

*Father, keep those you have given me true to your name.*

## **Sacramental Celebrations in both parishes:**

In Our Lady of Lourdes' Confirmations will take place during the 11.00a.m. Mass on Sunday 19th May and First Holy Communions on Saturday 1st June at 11.00a.m. Mass. In St. James', Kinross, First Holy Communions will take place on Sunday 2nd June at 9.00a.m. Mass. (There are no Confirmations in St. James' this year). Please pray for all the children concerned and for their families as they move forward and deepen their relationship with the Good Lord.

## **Clive's fundraiser for Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF)**

The Edinburgh marathon on 26th May is looming. SCIAF does tremendous work supporting the poor, homeless, hungry, disadvantaged people of our world in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. All the money raised goes directly to them. Once again thank you very much for your support - Clive **There is now a collection box at the back of both churches for those of you who prefer to donate cash.**  
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