

## PARISH NOTICES

**REMINDER:** There is no requirement to book to attend Mass. A list of regular attendees at each of our Masses is kept in the parish office to assist with track and trace. Please continue to observe social distancing measures in the church. Face masks continue to be mandatory in the church (unless you have a valid exemption).

**PARISH FINANCE:** It is possible to donate via bank transfer if you wish. The parish account details are:  
**Sort code: 80-02-27 Account number: 00126361**  
**Account name: Archdiocese of St Andrew's & Edinburgh: St Joseph's.** Please remember to include your name as a reference.  
**Last Sunday's collection: £376.00**

**PARISH VISION AND MISSION:** At the most recent Parish Council meeting, documents were approved detailing an updated Mission Statement and Vision for our Parish. These have now been published on our website at <https://www.stjosephsbroomhouse.org.uk/mission-vision.html>. They will also be printed for display on the noticeboard in due course.

### MEETING OF VOLUNTEERS

As we approach some sense of normality in St Joseph's following the pandemic, there will be a meeting of all existing members of the groups listed below (including the co-ordinators) and those who wish to join or collaborate in those groups.

1. Eucharistic Ministers
2. Parish Hall
3. Line Dancing
4. St Monica's Guild.

The meeting will take place after the 11am Mass on Sunday 19th September in the Parish Hall.



SAINT JOSEPH'S  
BROOMHOUSE



12th September 2021

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PLEASE TAKE THE BULLETIN WITH YOU—  
IT CANNOT BE REUSED.

'who do  
**you**  
say I am?'

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# ORDER OF THE MASS

## Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Sir 36: 18

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,  
that your prophets be found true.  
Hear the prayers of your servant,  
and of your people Israel.

## Introductory Rites

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

℟ Amen.

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

℟ And with your spirit.

## Penitential Act

*I confess to almighty God / and to you my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned / in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do,  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the angels and saints / and you my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.*

Amen.

P: Lord have mercy.

℟ Lord have mercy

P: Christ have mercy.

℟ Christ have mercy

P: Lord have mercy

℟ Lord have mercy.

## The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,

we bless you,

we adore you,

we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

## Reflection

*Discussion on the identity of Jesus:* Who is Jesus? The gospels reveal that Jesus' identity is debated and discussed by different groups and individuals. For instance: Upon hearing about Jesus and the wonders he did, King Herod doubted if he was John the Baptist risen from the dead (cf. Mk 6:16). John the Baptist, through his disciples, asked Jesus: "*are you the one who is to come or should we expect someone else?*" (Mt 11: 3). The disciples of Jesus, filled with amazement, asked themselves: "*Who is this man, that even the winds and the sea obey him?*" (Mt 8:27).

*Confession of Jesus' identity:* Today, the Evangelist Mark invites us to reflect about the identity of Jesus through the questions raised by Jesus himself. Jesus asks his disciples, "*Who do people say I am?*" (Mk 8:27). The disciples answered him saying: "*Some say you are John the Baptist; others say you are Elijah or one of the prophets*" (Mk 8:28). Then Jesus asks the same question to his disciples: "*But you, who do you say that I am?*" Peter answers him: "*You are the Messiah*" (Mk 8:29).

*True identity of Jesus:* For the reason that Jesus did not ask any further questions about his identity on this occasion reveals the veracity of Peter's response. Why was Jesus satisfied with the confession of Peter? Our limited understanding makes us to understand that Jesus is a prophet like John the Baptist and Elijah. But the truth is that Jesus is someone greater than the prophets. He is the Christ, the anointed one, the Son of God. Peter's answer is the right answer because it makes Jesus the indispensable part of our life for we who are creatures do not have existence without Jesus who is the Son of God.

*The question before us:* Today Jesus pauses before us the same question that he asked his disciples: "*But you, who do you say that I am?*" We can give different answers, and perhaps all of them partially right. But the right answer is the answer given by Peter: "*You are the Messiah*". It is necessary to have the right answer as it expresses our belief system. And our beliefs will always determine our lifestyle. Our faith will always express itself in corresponding action.

Fr Baji Joseph, SSP

P: Lord Jesus Christ.... For ever and ever.

℟ Amen.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

℟ And with your spirit.

**Breaking of the Bread**

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.*

P: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

℟: *Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 35: 8**

How precious is your mercy, O God!

The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

**FEASTS OF THE WEEK**

**Monday 13th:** St John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor

**Tuesday 14th:** Exaltation of the Holy Cross, **Feast**

**Wednesday 15th:** Our Lady of Sorrows

**Thursday 16th:** Saint Ninian, Bishop, **Feast**

**NEXT SUNDAY:** 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE**

**NATIONAL EVENT:** A national online event titled Interreligious Dialogue in the time of Pope Francis takes place at 11:00am-2:30pm on Saturday 18 September. Register at: [bit.ly/InterreligiousEvent](http://bit.ly/InterreligiousEvent)

**SAFEGUARDING WEBINAR:** The Bishops of Scotland invite clergy, religious, church employees and volunteers across Scotland to a national safeguarding webinar at 11am on Saturday 2 October. It will be a chance to find out more about the safeguarding document In Gods Image v2 and reflect upon on its implications for your safeguarding role. The link to register is: [bit.ly/3gQRdPu](http://bit.ly/3gQRdPu).

you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.

**Amen**

**First reading**

**Isaiah 50:5-9**

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance,  
neither did I turn away.  
I offered my back to those who struck me,  
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;  
I did not cover my face  
against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help,  
so that I am untouched by the insults.  
So, too, I set my face like flint;  
I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me?

Then let us go to court together.

Who thinks he has a case against me?

Let him approach me.

The Lord is coming to my help,  
who will dare to condemn me?

**The Word of the Lord**

℟ *Thanks be to God*

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 114(116):1-6,8-9**

**℟ I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

I love the Lord for he has heard  
the cry of my appeal;  
for he turned his ear to me  
in the day when I called him. ℟

They surrounded me, the snares of death,  
with the anguish of the tomb;  
they caught me, sorrow and distress.  
I called on the Lord's name.  
O Lord, my God, deliver me! ℟

How gracious is the Lord, and just;  
our God has compassion.  
The Lord protects the simple hearts;  
I was helpless so he saved me. ℟

He has kept my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears  
and my feet from stumbling.  
I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
in the land of the living. **R**

**Second reading**

**James 2:14-18**

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

**The Word of the Lord**

**R** Thanks be to God

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Jn 14:6**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;  
No one can come to the Father except through me.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**Mark 8:27-35**

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but

anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**R** Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

**Profession of Faith**

*I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit /  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven;  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty,  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting.*

**Amen.**

**Prayers of the Faithful**

P: Lord, hear us.

**R** Lord Graciously Hear us.

**The Sanctus**

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
hosanna in the highest.*

**The Mystery of Faith**

*We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you  
come again.*

**Doxology and Great Amen**

P: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

**C: Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

*Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; / thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, / but deliver us from evil.*

P: Deliver us Lord, we pray...

*For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.*