# Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Drostan

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### FOR BOTH PARISHES

Thanks to all who have contributed to making our celebrations this Christmas beautiful and inspiring! These are difficult times, but from our first holy communions at Fraserburgh at the end of Advent to the Christmas services themselves, there have been many wonderful moments. God be praised!

Bishop Hugh's Christmas Message to the Diocese is available online: https://youtu.be/6gSwUWPME20

Youth2000 New Year's Retreat – New Online – is will take place on Zoom on the weekend of 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Jan. "Where do I belong" – a question to be addressed by some great speakers. A youth retreat rolling with the times. For more details, visit https://www.youth2000.org/newonline

**Bible Study.** The Ogilvie Centre is offering a free bible study, "**Genesis to Jesus**", from the St Paul Centre for Biblical Theology, for 7 Tuesdays starting 5<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30pm or 7 Thursdays starting 7 January at 2.00pm. The study will be led on Zoom conferencing, which allows for telephone or online log-in. The workbook can be downloaded upon registration for free. Please contact ogilvie@rcda.scot to register by 3<sup>rd</sup>January.

**St. Mary's Cathedral Calendars** for 2021, including great photos from the 2020 Cathedral Photo Competition, are available for ordering online. If anyone is interested in supporting the Cathedral by purchasing one of these calendars, e-mail the parish and we will send you the link to order.

Next Friday (1<sup>st</sup> Jan) is **World Day of Prayer for Peace**. A **special collection** will be taken up at Sunday Mass on  $2^{nd}/3^{rd}$  Jan for the work of **Justice and Peace**.

Assisted Suicide? "Assist us to LIVE not DIE." Act now and ask your MP to oppose introducing assisted suicide. It is vital that it is clear to the Government that the public want them to continue to hold strong against this pressure from assisted suicide campaigners and reject their demands. Right To Life UK have set up and easy to use tool which will enable you to email your MP asking them

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to make it clear to the Government that it should not give into demands from the assisted suicide lobby to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It only takes <u>30 seconds</u> to email your MP by visiting the link below:

www.righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide

Recitation of the *Te Deum* on the last day of the year. A plenary indulgence can be gained under the usual conditions (more about this another time...) for the public recitation of this ancient hymn of praise on the last day of the year. So we will recite it at the end of Benediction on Thursday morning. This might be a particularly meritorious thing to do this year, in which so many people have suffered greatly. God is able to bring light out of darkness. Let us not lose faith in Him! "O God, we praise You, and acknowledge You to be the supreme Lord..."

## PETERHEAD

Offertory Collection Cash Plate, 13th December: £272.00

Approx. Monthly Standing Orders i/c: £265.00 Thank you for your support.

**Stewards** 

Saturday Vigil: No Vigil Mass

Sunday Mass: Margaret Wyness & Rose Weir Next Sat, Vigil Mass: Francesca & Conor Meehan

Next Sunday Mass: Terry Moran & Juliet Grant

#### **Readers**

Vigil Mass: No Vigil Mass this week Sunday Mass: Ellen Carchrie

Next Sat, Vigil Mass: Conor Meehan Next Sunday Mass : Eileen Fretwell

## FRASERBURGH

Offertory Collection Cash Plate, 13th December: £103.50

Approx. Monthly Standing Orders i/c: £195.00 Thank you for your support.

<u>Stewards</u> at Sunday Mass: Norma Bisset & Bob Watson

Reader today: Dannie Tom

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Reader next Sunday: Anne Reilly

Our Safeguarding Coordinator is Mrs Anne Reilly.

**Lottery/Fundraiser:** The winning lottery number for Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December, is No 21. The weekly cash prize is £24.00.

#### Prayer before the Crib

I ADORE you, O Word Incarnate, true Son of God from all eternity, and true Son of Mary ever-Virgin in the fullness of time. When I adore your divine Person, and the Humanity united to your Divinity, I venerate the poor manger which welcomed you when an Infant, and which was truly the throne of your love. I prostrate myself before it with the simplicity of the shepherds, with the faith of Joseph, with the love of Mary. I bow down in veneration of this precious memorial of our salvation with the same spirit of mortification, poverty and humility with which you, though the Lord of heaven and earth, chose for yourself a manger in which to lay your tender infant limbs. O Lord, who in your Infancy deigned to lay yourself in this manger, pour into my heart a drop of that joy to which the sight of your lovely Childhood, and the miracles which accompanied your Birth, gave rise. By that holy Birth, I now implore you to grant to all the world peace and goodwill, and in the name of the whole human race I render thanks and honour to God the Father, and to God the Holy Spirit, who with you live and reign, one God, world without end. Amen.

(From the Raccolta, 1910)

From Fr. Bruno: Many thanks for all the cards and gifts you have given me this Christmas. May God reward you all. I assure you of my prayers, and I wish you in return a happy, safe, and restful Christmas season.

Items for the newsletter, website and Facebook page should be sent to Bob Watson, email: <a href="mailto:rlambwatson@gmail.com">rlambwatson@gmail.com</a>

Sun 27th Dec	Mass: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am	
Mon 28thDec	No Mass	-	-	
Tue 29th Dec	Mass: 5th Day in the Octave of Christmas (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	-	
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Mass: 6 <sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Christmas (White) followed by Adoration	-	Peterhead 9.30am	
Thur 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Mass: 7 <sup>th</sup> Day in the Octave of Christmas (White), followed by Adoration <b>&amp; the Recitation of the Te Deum</b>	Fraserburgh 9.30am	-	"Now Master, you can let your
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Mass: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God (White)	-	Peterhead 9.30am	servant go in peace just as you
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Mass: Saint Basil the Great and Saint Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	-	promised, because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations
	Confessions	Fraserburgh 11.30am-12.15pm	Peterhead 5.45 - 6.15pm	
	Vigil Mass: The Epiphany of the Lord	-	Peterhead 6:30pm	
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Mass: The Epiphany of the Lord	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am	to see."

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