Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Drostan

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St. Mary's

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PETERHEAD

Stewards

Sunday Mass 9th May: Margaret Wyness & Rose Weir

Next Sunday Mass 16th May: Kasia & Marcin Noga Readers

Sunday Mass 9th May: Julia Buda Vigil Mass 15th May: Helen Noble

Next Sunday Mass 16th May: Kevin Oliphant

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £285.00 Offertory Collection Sunday 25th April: £279.22

The Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Mrs Majella Morrison

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FRASERBURGH

Stewards

Sunday Mass 9th May Norma Bisset & Diana Butkiviene

Next Sunday 16th May: Gwen Craigie and Jean Henry

Readers

Sunday Mass 9th May: Anne Simpson Next Sunday Mass 16th May: Dannie Tom

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £355.00 Offertory Collection Sunday 18th April: £107.40

The Parish Safeguarding Coordinator is Mrs Anne Reilly (01771 623029; annereilly01@aol.com)

NOTICES

Health and Safety Inspection. This coming Wednesday Mr. W. Kerr, the Diocesan Health and Safety Advisor, will visit our parishes to help us review our health and safety policy and its implementation. We welcome him and look forward to taking this opportunity to ensure that our parishes are safe and welcoming to all.

Because of Mr. Kerr's visit, we will not be able to offer adoration in St. Mary's this coming Wednesday.

Scammers about... keep your guard up. Just a brief reminder to all our parishioners and friends to carefully check if e-mails that seem to be from

Fr. Bruno Murphy are genuine. We are aware of some ongoing attempts to use this name to lure people into scams.

As mentioned before, there is currently no reason to suspect a hack of any of our parish accounts – rather, it is a sort of identity theft or impersonation.

Big sigh. Just be careful.

Genuine e-mails are usually sent from the **official parish account** (see above, on this newsletter) and are usually **addressed to specific persons by name**.

No one from the parish will never ask for urgent help/money/confidential personal details by e-mail.

In any doubt, don't engage with the sender, and consider phoning the parish instead to check (number above).

SPUC White Flower Appeal. On Saturday, 22 May 2021, at Carfin Grotto, SPUC Scotland will display 14,000 white flower images, one for every child lost to abortion in Scotland in one year, to create a 'carpet of flowers for the unborn'. Bishop Toal will bless the physical display at 2pm. If you would like to sponsor a virtual flower, please visit www.whiteflower.org.uk or call SPUC Scotland (0141 221 2094) to make a donation.

Solemnity of the Ascension – Wisdom of the Saints

"[I]f you should ask who should teach you [to fly heavenward], who should show the way, surely Christ does that today. Like an eagle He encourages His little ones to fly, rising above them when He is lifted up from before their eyes, and for a long time is watched by them as He journeys heavenward. He could quite easily have been snatched away from them in a flash and been taken wheresoever He willed. But like the eagle enticing her young to fly and hovering over them He plainly endeavours to raise their hearts to Himself though their love of Him, while His own body gives assurance that theirs too can be raised up in like manner... Others may fly by contemplation; you at least can do so by love" (Bl. Guerric of Igny, Sermon 37, For the Ascension).

You might like to start a little **novena to the Holy Spirit** on the Friday after Ascension Thursday, in preparation for the great Solemnity of Pentecost.

The 10th World Meeting of Families will be held in Rome from 22nd to 26th June 2022. While still over a year away, it is good to be aware of this special event, which has been promoted enthusiastically by Popes since John Paul II hosted the first one in Rome in 1994 (I was there ⓐ). The Vatican has published a special prayer, recommended above all to families, which can be used in the run-up to the Meeting:

Family Prayer

Heavenly Father,
We come before You to praise You
and to thank You for the great gift of the family.
We pray to You for all families
consecrated by the Sacrament of Matrimony.
May they rediscover each day
the grace they have received,

and as small domestic Churches, may they know how to witness to Your presence and to the love with which Christ loves the Church. We pray to You for all families faced with difficulty and suffering

caused by illness or circumstances of which only You know.

Sustain them and make them aware of the path to holiness upon which You call them, so that they might experience Your infinite mercy and find new ways to grow in love.

We pray to You for children and young people:

may they encounter You and respond joyfully to the vocation You have in mind for them; We pray for parents and grandparents: may they be aware

that they are signs of the fatherhood and motherhood of God

in caring for the children who, in body and spirit, You entrust to them:

and for the experience of fraternity that the family can give to the world. Lord, grant that each family

might live their specific vocation to holiness in the Church

as a call to become missionary disciples, in the service of life and peace, in communion with our priests, religious, and all vocations in the Church.

Bless the World Meeting of Families. Amen.

Newsletter: Please email any newsletter information to Bob Watson at: rlambwatson@gmail.com

| Sun 9 th May | Mass: 6th Sunday of Easter (White) | Fraserburgh 9.30am | Peterhead 11.30am |
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| Mon 10 th May | No Mass | - | - |
| Tue 11th May | Mass: Tuesday in the 6th Week of Easter (White) | Fraserburgh 9.30am | _ |
| Wed 12 th May | Mass: Wednesday in 6th Week of Easter (NB: no Adoration) | - | Peterhead 9.30am |
| Thur 13 th May | Mass: Ascension of the Lord (White) followed by Adoration | Fraserburgh 9.30am | _ |
| Fri 14 th May | Mass: Saint Matthias, Apostle (Red) | - | Peterhead 9.30am |
| | Mass: Saturday in the 6th Week of Easter (White) | Fraserburgh 9.30am | - |
| Sat 15 th May | Confessions | Fr'burgh 11.30am-12.15pm | P'head 5.45pm - 6.15pm |
| | Vigil Mass: 7th Sunday of Easter (White) | _ | Peterhead 6.30pm |
| Sun 16th May | Mass: 7th Sunday of Easter (White) | Fraserburgh 9.30am | Peterhead 11.30am |



"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you."