

Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Drostan

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PETERHEAD

Stewards

Sunday 27th Mar: Majella Morrison & Chelsiey Matthews

Sunday 3rd April: Kasia & Marcia & Nicola Noga

Readers

Vigil Mass 26th Mar: Cheryl Murray

Sunday 27th Mar: Juliet Grant

Vigil Mass 2nd Apr: Philippa Baker-Short

Sunday 3rd Apr: Kevin Oliphant

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £430.00

Offertory Collection Sunday 20th Mar: £268.15

Thank you for your support.

The Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Mrs Majella Morrison: 01771 278126;
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FRASERBURGH

Stewards

Sunday 27th Mar: Jean Fernando & Cirila Webster

Sunday 3rd Apr: Gwen Craigie & Sylwia Matusiak

Readers

Sunday 27th Mar: Bob Watson

Sunday 3rd Apr: Dannie Tom

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £470.00

Offertory Collection Sunday 20th Mar: £83.89

Thank you for your support.

The Parish Safeguarding Coordinator is Mrs Anne Reilly: 01771 623029; fraserburghPSC@rcd-abdn.org

OTHER NOTICES

A special collection to support **SCIAF's work globally** will be held this weekend, Sat 26th & Sun 27th March.

Covid regulation "wind-down", or the gradual return of normality. The next step, which will happen this weekend or next, is to **take up our regular collection during Mass once again.** Only second collections will happen as people leave the church (there happens to be one this weekend, as noted above).

This also means we'll be having offertory processions again, and, on Sundays, sing an offertory hymn. ☺

The Sacrament of Reconciliation in Lent. A very important way of preparing for Easter is to take time for the Sacrament of Penance (also known as Reconciliation and Confession). **This Sacrament cleanses us of our faults, enables us to experience God's love more deeply, and helps us to be more faithful in God's service.** It's something that Catholics are recommended to make use of "frequently" – every month, for example. Certainly, if it's been a while since you've been to Confession, this is a great time to do it.

Please note the times of Confessions in the timetable below. For those who attend the devotions in Fraserburgh on a Friday evening, the time during adoration is also available.

Confirmation Classes over the next 4 weeks. Please note the following timetable for the remaining Confirmation classes:

Fraserburgh Classes: 3rd April, 30th April, 7th May.
Peterhead Classes: 31st March, 21st April, 5th May

Parish Synod Meeting. Our Lady Star of the Sea, Fraserburgh, will be holding its parish Synod meeting this **Tuesday 29th March, at 7pm, in the Parish Room.**

Please do come along if you can, so that your voice can be heard. The Holy Father wants to hear from as many of us as possible. **The key question: How can we journey together to be more of the Church God wants us to be?**

Peterhead's parish meeting will take place in April: date to be confirmed.

Synod Pathway: In addition to our own parish gatherings, facilitators have been appointed to coordinate meetings for various cultural / language groups in the diocese.

If any parishioners would prefer to participate in these meetings, they are welcome to attend in person, as shown below, or send a written


contribution to the diocesan synodal team at synod@rcda.scot, which will be forward to the respective facilitator.

- **Meeting in Polish** – Sunday 27th March, 4:00pm, St Mary's Cathedral, 20 Huntly Street, Aberdeen, AB10 1SH
- **Meeting for members of African communities** – Saturday 2nd April, 12:00-3:00pm, St Columba, Braehead Way, Bridge of Don, Aberdeen, AB22 8RR

Pluscarden Abbey retreat. About 5 places are currently available for the retreat for parishioners from St. Mary's and Our Lady's churches. It runs from 25th to 28th of April 2022. Retreatants will be able to attend talks during their stay, as well as participating in Mass, among other activities. Men will stay overnight in the St. Benedict's Retreat House, and ladies in separate accommodation nearby. Although attendance as a retreatant or as a daily visitor are free, donations are accepted. For more information and to book, please speak to Fr. Bruno or to Fiona Sellar.

Easter cards are now available at our Piety Stalls. If you need one, look no further! We have some great cards!

Wisdom of Pope Francis... on Confession!
"Let us recognize once more *the primacy of grace* and ask for the gift to realize that Reconciliation is not primarily our drawing near to God, but his embrace that enfolds, astonishes, and overwhelms us. The Lord enters our home, as he did that of Mary in Nazareth, and brings us unexpected amazement and joy - the joy of forgiveness. Let us first look at things from God's perspective: **then we will rediscover our love for Confession. We need this,** for every interior rebirth, every spiritual renewal, starts there, from God's forgiveness. **May we not neglect Reconciliation, but rediscover it as the sacrament of joy.** Yes, the sacrament of joy, for our shame for our sins becomes the occasion for an experience of the warm embrace of the Father, the gentle strength of Jesus who heals us, and the "maternal tenderness" of the Holy Spirit. That is the heart of Confession." (Homily, 25.02.22)

Sun 27 th Mar	Mass: 4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am	 <p>"...your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."</p>
Mon 28 th Mar	No Mass	–	–	
Tue 29 th Mar	Mass: Tuesday in the 4 th Week of Lent (Purple)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	–	
Wed 30 th Mar	Mass: Wednesday in the 4 th Week of Lent (Purple); followed by Adoration	–	Peterhead 9.30am	
Thu 31 st Mar	Mass: Thurs in the 4 th Week of Lent (Purple); followed by Stations +	–	Peterhead 9.30am	
Fri 1 st Apr	Mass: Fri in the 4 th Week of Lent; Adoration 18:00, Stations + 19:00	Fraserburgh 6.30pm	–	
Sat 2 nd Apr	Mass: Saturday in the 4 th Week of Lent (Purple)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	–	
	Confessions (also available during Friday adoration & on request)	F'burgh 11.30am - 2.15pm	P'head 5.45 - 6.15pm	
	Vigil Mass: 5 th Sunday of Lent (Purple)	–	Peterhead 6.30pm	
Sun 3 rd Apr	Mass: 5th Sunday of Lent (Purple)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am	