

Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Drostan

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St. Mary's

64 St Peter Street
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PETERHEAD

Stewards

Sunday 26th Mar: Margaret Wyness & Rose Weir

Sunday 2nd Apr: Terry Moran & Juliet Grant

Readers

Vigil Mass 25th Mar: Helen Noble

Sunday 26th Mar: Julia Buda & Jane Mackie

Vigil Mass 1st Apr: Cheryl Murray

Sunday 2nd Apr: Eileen Fretwell & Juliet Grant

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £385.00

Offertory Collection Sun 19th Mar: £290.26

SCIAF Collection: £64.00

Christmas Raffle: £150.01

St. Patrick Night Ceilidh: £314.00

Thank you for your support!

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

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FRASERBURGH

Stewards

Sunday 26th Mar: Pet Morrice & Cirila Webster

Sunday 2nd Apr: Norma Bisset & Jolanta Katinieni

Readers

Sunday 26th Mar: Bob Watson & Claire Kellock

Sunday 2nd Apr: Eileen Sutton & Anne Simpson

Ministers of Holy Communion

Sunday 26th Mar: Terry Sim

Sunday 2nd Apr: Gwen Craigie

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £450.00

Offertory Collection Sun 19th Mar: £188.51

SCIAF Collection: £133.64

Thank you for your support!

Egg Decorating for Easter! On Friday 31st March at 7.00pm we will be gathering in the Parish Room at Fraserburgh to learn how to decorate Easter eggs with waxing. Please bring two boiled eggs with you and some vegetarian snacks. All welcome!

Please note:

- **Mass at Fraserb'gh this Friday is at 9:30am**
- **The Adult Sacrament Preparation Class on Friday** this week will take place at the earlier time of 4pm.

Piety Stall: A few Easter cards still available. Newly arrived Rosary purses, new style Rosary beads. Crucifixes for standing or hanging, in different styles and prices. Small size Sacred heart, St. Anthony, and Miraculous statues.

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

OTHER NOTICES

Retiring collection: Will be taken weekend 1st/2nd April to support the sacred places in the Holy Land.

A5 leaflets with the services for Holy Week and Easter are available at the back of the church.

Leaflets and other resources to help adults prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (examination of conscience in English, rite of Confession...) are also available at the back of the church.

Chrism Mass. This solemn Mass, presided over by the Bishop, will be held this year at St Peter's, Buckie on **Thursday 30th March, at 6.00pm.** At the Chrism Mass the Bishop blesses the holy oils for use in the coming year (Baptism, Anointing, Confirmation...), and the diocesan clergy renew their sacred priestly promises. If you would like to attend, please speak to Fr. Bruno, who will arrange car-sharing.

Please note that, because of the Chrism Mass, **there is no Confirmation class and no Stations of the Cross at St. Mary's this Thursday.**

Statement from the Bishops of Scotland on Illegal Migration Bill. This was published by our Scottish Catholic Bishops last week: "People come to the UK for a multitude of reasons. Numerous are driven from their homes by persecution, conflict, poverty, natural disasters, or lack of opportunities. Many of them attempt the extremely dangerous

journey across the Channel to reach the relative safety of the UK.

Everyone would like to see the end of dangerous Channel crossings using small boats, however, the UK Government's Illegal Immigration Bill, the stated purpose of which is to bring an end to these crossings, raises more questions than it provides answers.

The Bill fails to provide sufficient detail on the establishment of more safe and legal routes for people seeking sanctuary in the UK. These routes, which are a lifeline to many desperate and vulnerable people, are essential if the Government is serious about ending perilous Channel crossings. Due to their very vulnerability many refugees and asylum seekers cannot possibly have all the necessary documentation with them. This proposed Bill will automatically force their removal regardless of how or why they came here.

There is also a pressing need for reform of the asylum process which currently has a backlog of hundreds of thousands of asylum applications. The Government must remember that behind each application is a human being. The establishment of asylum processing centres in France could help speed up the process and provide a safe, legal route for vulnerable people to come to the UK.

We call on the UK Government to provide an assurance that it will respect the terms of the European Convention on Human Rights, the Refugee Convention, and its obligations to victims of modern slavery.

These people are our fellow human beings, our brothers and sisters, and regardless of their immigration status their intrinsic dignity must be upheld."

Penitential Service. There is a penitential service at **6:30pm at St. John the Baptist's Church in Ellon this coming Friday, 31st March.** This might be of particular interest to members of Peterhead parish.

Please e-mail any newsletter information to Bob Watson at: rlambwatson@gmail.com

Sun 26 th Mar	Mass: 5 th Sunday of Lent (Purple)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am
Mon 27 th Mar	No Mass	–	–
Tues 28 th Mar	Mass: Tuesday in the 5 th Week of Lent (Purple); Stations of the Cross at 10.00am	Fraserburgh 9:30am	–
Wed 29 th Mar	Mass: Wed in the 5 th Week of Lent (Purple); Adoration 'til 10.30am	–	Peterhead 9.30am
Thurs 30 th Mar	Mass: Thursday in the 5 th Week of Lent (Purple); Stations of the Cross at 10.00am only today...	–	Peterhead 9.30am
Fri 31 st Mar	Mass: Friday in the 5 th Week of Lent (Purple)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	–
Sat 1 st Apr	Mass: Saturday in the 5 th Week of Lent (Purple)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	–
	Confessions	F'burgh 11.30am -12.15pm	P'head 5.45 - 6.15pm
	Vigil Mass: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (Red)	–	Peterhead 6.30pm
Sun 2 nd Apr	Mass: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (Red)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am



'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die'