Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Drostan

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PETERHEAD

Stewards

Sunday 24th Dec: Terry Moran & Eileen Fretwell Sunday 31st Dec: Kasia & Marcin Noga

Readers

Vigil Mass 23rd Dec: Ellen Carchrie

Sunday 24th Dec: Majella Morrison & Margaret Wyness

Vigil Mass 30th Dec: Philippa Baker-Short Sunday 31st Dec: Eileen Fretwell & Fran McKeever Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £365.00 Offertory Collection Sun 17th Dec: £305.05

St. Andrew Raffle: £100.00 Thank you for your support.

Gift Aid Tax Refund: HMRC has refunded £2,578.25 to the Parish from payments made by taxpayers in 2022/23 who are part of the Gift Aid Scheme. Many thanks to all participants who raise vital funds this way. If you are a taxpayer, you might consider joining this scheme at no cost to you. All you need to do is fill in a form, available from Marta Buda or Fr. Bruno. You can pay by Gift Aid envelope or Standing Order.

The Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Mrs Majella Morrison: 07783 297776;

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FRASERBURGH

Stewards

Sunday 24th Dec: Therese Alexander & Norma Bisset Sunday 31st Dec: Sylwia Matusiak & Anne Reilly

Readers

Sunday 24th Dec: Bob Watson & Jolanta Katiniene Sunday 31st Dec: Bob Watson & Claire Kellock

Ministers of Holy Communion

Sunday 24th Dec: Norma Bisset, Gwen Craigie, Bob

Watson

Sunday 31st Dec: Bob Watson, Angel Rajesh, Terry

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Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £330.00

Offertory Collection Sun 17th Dec: £176.65

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Gift Aid Tax Refund: HMRC has refunded £2,550.40 to the Parish from payments made by taxpayers in 2022/23 who are part of the Gift Aid Scheme. Many thanks to all participants who raise vital funds this way. If you are a taxpayer, you might consider joining this scheme at no cost to you. All you need to do is fill in a form, available from Norma Bisset, Pet Morrice or Fr. Bruno. You can pay by Gift Aid envelope or Standing Order.

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

OTHER NOTICES

SPUC White Flower Appeal: A second collection will be taken to support this appeal, the weekend of Sat/Sun 30th /31st December. The Crib offerings in our parishes will also be added to this good cause.

Christmas Hampers Raffles! Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we have a fabulous Christmas Hamper to raffle in each of our parishes! Tickets are still for sale and available after Mass. Draw: Today, Sunday 24th December after the morning Masses. All proceeds to the parishes.

Christmas Bread Wafers. A parishioner has kindly donated some packets of Christmas Bread to our parishes. If any of our parishioners would like some, a few remaining packets are available at the back of the church.

Youth Retreat. There's a great event for your youth on 13 January in Inverurie. The NET team is coming up to host a free retreat for all P6-S6 youth, and it's always a really engaging, fun, prayerful time.

- When? Saturday 13 January 2024, 10:30-17:15, followed by 17:30 Vigil Mass
- Where? Immaculate Conception RC Church, 116 North Street, Inverurie AB51 4TL.
- **Price?** Free (sandwich lunch included)
- Questions? Registration, Contact Joe McCann at 07802 335 371.

Genesis to Jesus Bible Study. How about a new Year's resolution to deepen your knowledge of God's loving plan for the human race? An ideal opportunity is at hand: the free on-line Genesis to Jesus bible study.

- A great overview of salvation history from Genesis to Jesus
- Very accessible to all abilities and experiences
- Written by the St. Paul Centre for Biblical Studies; materials supplied for free!
- Once a week, for 7 weeks, on Mondays or Tuesday evenings on ZOOM, beginning the week of 15 Jan 2024

Further details from the Oglivie Centre https://rcda.scot/ogilvie/, or from Fr. Bruno.

For Catechists or those wanting to improve their ability to pass on the Faith, consider the on-line Catechist Diploma Program, run by the Archdiocese of Edinburgh:

- Strongly encouraged for catechists in our diocese who have not had catechetical training yet; Very helpful even for those who already have some training
- Thursdays, beginning 25 Jan 2024, 7:30-8:30pm on ZOOM (sessions are recorded for you in case you can't make every session)
- No exams!
- Invite a friend it's not just for catechists, but for all who want to grow in their understanding and love of the Catholic faith
- £100 for catechists of the Diocese of Aberdeen (it is actually £200, but the diocese will pay the other £100 for you)
- PLEASE DO NOT REGISTER ON YOUR OWN.
 Email Sr. Mary Gianna at the Ogilvie Centre ogilvie@rcda.scot if you'd like to participate.

Many Thanks to all who have helped to prepare our parishes for our Christmas celebrations!

Fr. Bruno wishes to thank all who have so kindly given him cards or other gifts.

"Happy Christmas!"

	Mass: 4th Sunday of Advent (Purple)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am
	Service of Carols & Readings (6.30pm) & Vigil Mass of Christmas	_	Peterhead 7.00pm
	Service of Carols & Readings (11.00pm) & Christmas M'Night Mass	Fraserburgh 11.30pm	-
Mon 25 th Dec	Christmas Morning Mass (F'burgh) & Christmas Day Mass (P'head)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am
Tues 26th Dec	No Mass	_	_
Wed 27 th Dec	Mass: St. John, Apostle & Evangelist - Feast (White)	_	Peterhead 9.30am
Thu 28th Dec	Mass: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs - Feast (Red)	_	Peterhead 9.30am
Fri 29 th Dec	Mass: 5th Day in the Octave of Christmas (White); Adoration to 7:30pm (Confession available during adoration)	Fraserburgh 6.30pm	-
	Mass: 6th Day in the Octave of Christmas (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	_
Sat 30 th Dec	Confessions	F'burgh 11.30am - 12.15pm	P'head 5.45 - 6.15pm
	Vigil Mass: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph - Feast (Wh)	_	Peterhead 6.30pm
Sun 31st Dec	Mass: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph - Feast (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am



'Mary, do not be afraid; you have won God's favour. Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son, and you must name him Jesus.'