

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

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# St. Mary's

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## PETERHEAD

### Stewards

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb:** Margaret Wyness & Rose Weir

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Terry Moran & Eileen Fretwell

### Readers

**Vigil Mass 1<sup>st</sup> Feb:** Philippa Baker-Short

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb:** Majella Morrison & Eileen Fretwell

**Vigil Mass 8<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Helen Noble

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Fran McKeever & Laura Shkundenkova

**Monthly Income from Standing Orders:** £415.00

**Offertory Collection Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Jan:** £401.66

**Building Fund:** £134.00

**Books:** £50.00

**Parish Council Meeting. Be a part of the mission of our Parish!** Come to the next Parish Pastoral Council meeting: **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February, 19:00**, St. Mary's Church Hall. 🍷🍷🍷

The Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Mrs Majella Morrison: 07783 297776; [stmarypeterheadPSC@rcd-abdn.org](mailto:stmarypeterheadPSC@rcd-abdn.org)

## FRASERBURGH

### Stewards

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb:** Norma Bisset & Sylwia Matusiak

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Gosia Antczak & Danuta Czesak

### Readers

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb:** Sunday School Youngsters & Eileen Sutton

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Claire Kellock & Bob Watson

### Ministers of Holy Communion

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb:** Wojtek Alberti, Bob Watson, Allan Moore

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Bob Watson, Norma Bisset, Terry Sim

**Monthly Income from Standing Orders:** £460.00

**Offertory Collection Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Jan:** £222.38

**A Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** will be held in the Parish Room on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm. All welcome. If anybody has any items for the agenda please speak to Fr Bruno, Bob Watson or Anne Reilly.

**Piety Stall:** New stock arrived, Saint Carlos Acutis selection, new style Rosaries, Bless this House items, In Loving Memory, choice items suitable for babies and young children... and more.

The Parish Safeguarding Coordinator is Mrs Anne Reilly: 01771 623029; [fraserburghPSC@rcd-abdn.org](mailto:fraserburghPSC@rcd-abdn.org)

## OTHER NOTICES

**The Presentation of the Lord Jesus in the Temple.** This Sunday we celebrate the last "feast of the child Jesus" – His presentation as a little baby of 40 days of age in the Temple. According to Old Testament Law, the first-born child was "offered" to the Lord with a small sacrifice, to commemorate the redemption of Israel from slavery in Egypt. New mothers would also approach the priest with an offering so that they could be declared ritually "clean". Jesus and Mary did both of these things, notwithstanding the fact that He is God, the very Author of the Law, and She is the virgin Mother of God, full of grace, immaculate. With this act of obedience and humility we can see the work of our Redemption beginning to unfold along the lines prophesied by the Psalmist many years before: "Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required. Then I said, 'Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart'" (Ps 39/40). Jesus' obedient love does away with the injustice of human disobedience.

**Alpha Youth from Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Jan at St. Mary's Cathedral.** A message from Charlene Morgan, Youth Coordinator:

"We're excited to invite teens aged 14-18 to join us for Alpha Youth, a dynamic and engaging program where young people can explore the big questions of life, faith, and meaning. Alpha Youth is a great opportunity for teens to meet new friends, discover

more about their faith, and engage in conversations that really matter—all in a fun and welcoming environment.

### Details:

- **When:** Alternate Fridays, beginning 31st January 2025
- **Time:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- **Location:** Main Hall, St. Mary's Cathedral, Aberdeen
- **Who's Welcome:** Everyone! Whether Catholic or not, all teens are invited to participate! Sign up [here](#) (or just turn up)!

**Aid to the Church in Need's Scottish Catholic Conference** will be held at the Royal Concert Hall in Glasgow on Saturday March 29. Entitled, "**Courage to be Catholic**", it will look at the situation of the Church in some places where it is not easy to be Christian. Guest speakers: Bishop William Shomali, Patriarchal Vicar for Jerusalem and Palestine; Bishop Wilfred Anagbe, Diocese of Makurdi Nigeria. More details on the poster at the back of the church, or [here](#).

**Can you help sponsor Fr. Christopher** to help the Dominican Sisters in Elgin accompany a group of young people to Rome for the Jubilee in Summer? The part the parish would need to pay amounts to £450. Any help you can provide is much appreciated. (Fr. Chris will pay the rest!)

**Great Upcoming Webinar.** The conversation will be on "Why young people need theology of the body" (February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025, hosted by Ashley Ruybal, with special guest speaker, Nick Koepfel). You can join the sessions using a Mac, PC or a mobile device. Register for free at <https://catholicmarriageprep.com/resources/webisodes>. For those who can't attend the live session, a recording will be made available.

Please e-mail any newsletter information to Bob Watson at: [rmbwatson@gmail.com](mailto:rmbwatson@gmail.com)

The Safeguarding Policy Document of the Catholic Church in Scotland, *In God's Image (2nd edition)*, is freely available for online reading or download at [www.bcos.org.uk](http://www.bcos.org.uk)

Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Mass: The Presentation of the Lord (White) - Feast	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	No Mass	-	-
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mass: Tuesday in the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time (Green)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	-
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mass: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr (Red) – Memorial	-	Peterhead 9.30am
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mass: St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs (Red) - Memorial	-	Peterhead 9.30am
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mass: Friday in the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time (Green); Eucharistic Adoration 'til 7.30pm (Confession available during adoration)	Fraserburgh 6.30pm	-
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mass: St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	-
	Confessions	Fraserb. 11.30am - 12.15pm	Peterhead 5.45 - 6.15pm
	Vigil Mass: 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)	-	Peterhead 6.30pm
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mass: 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am



*'Lord, you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation.'*