

Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Drostan

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St. Mary's

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PETERHEAD

Stewards

Sunday 20th Apr: Majella & Madeline Morrison

Sunday 27th Apr: Margaret Wyness & Rose Weir

Readers

Vigil Mass 19th Apr: Arnas Meilutis

Sunday 20th Apr: Barbera Mbewe & Eileen Fretwell

Vigil Mass 26th Apr: Philippa Baker-Short

Sunday 27th Apr: Kevin Oliphant & Laura Shkunderkova

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £365.00

Offertory Collection Sun 13th Apr: £390.00

Holy Places Collection: £105.97

Thank you for your continued support.

Piety Stall - New items: Are you starting to think about gifts for First Holy Communion/Confirmation? Is there something specific you would like? Please speak to Colleen to see if it is something we can order for you.

Please note that there's no public Mass at St. Mary's on Wednesday this week.

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

FRASERBURGH

Stewards

Sunday 20th Apr: Jolanta Katiniene & Anne Reilly

Sunday 27th Apr: Norma Bisset & Pet Morrice

Readers

Sunday 20th Apr: Bob Watson & Cirila Webster

Sunday 27th Apr: Claire Kellock & Bob Watson

Ministers of Holy Communion

20th Apr: Gwen Craigie, Norma Bisset, Wojtek Alberti

27th Apr: Wojtek Alberti, Allan Moore, Bob Watson

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £460.00

Offertory Collection Sun 13th Apr: £284.70

Holy Places Collection: £70.62

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

OTHER NOTICES

Easter Services

During the Easter Octave, Mass will be preceded by the Divine Mercy chaplet and novena prayer.

On Divine Mercy Sunday itself there will be the usual devotions and holy hour at 3pm – which this year will take place in **St. Mary's Church, Peterhead**.

Divine Mercy Sunday. It's worth reminding ourselves about the great gift of the Octave Day of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, which is next Sunday, 27th April.

Divine Mercy Sunday is the great "Feast" of Divine Mercy. It is a day on which the Lord dispenses astonishing graces to those who trust Him and believe His message. **To all who, on or as near to this day as they can, "go to Confession and receive Holy Communion" the Lord promises to "grant a complete pardon"** (Diary of Divine Mercy 1109).

This is more than a plenary indulgence: it is more like baptism in its ability to take away all that a soul might owe to divine justice.

It is a grace that reveals the unmeasurable love and generosity of our Lord, and the great power of the victory of the Crucified One. Let us stay close to Jesus during this week – like Mary Magdalene or the Apostles, or like Mary the Mother of the Lord – and ask Him to prepare our hearts for such a great grace.

"Resurrexit, Sicut Dixit!"

These Latin words appear in the famous Marian antiphon, Regina Caeli laetare ("Queen of Heaven, rejoice!"), typically sung in churches of the Latin Rite in the Easter season.

Resurrexit, sicut dixit! – He rose, as He said He would!

Jesus had foretold not only His Passion and Death, but also His glorious Resurrection. But here as in other instances, His disciples were "slow" (cf. Luke 24:25) to believe and grasp all that He said. Certainly, from a human point of view, the Crucifixion must have looked like a complete defeat.

But the tremendous suffering and human degradation of the Incarnate Word on the cross becomes a demonstration of the depths and power of His love at the Resurrection. He suffered *all that... for love...* and now He is risen to show us that He really is the Messiah, the Son of the living God, the triumphant victor over sin and death.

Resurrexit, sicut dixit! Jesus keeps His promises!

There's a practical lesson in this: **We should never allow our trust and confidence in God to waver.** It reminds me of what St. Faustina wrote in her Diary: "Eternal God... look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your Holy Will, which is Love and Mercy itself."

And finally, a big "thank you" to all our volunteers, and a very Happy Easter to all!

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

The Safeguarding Policy Document of the Catholic Church in Scotland, In God's Image, is available at www.bcos.org.uk

Sun 20 th Apr	Mass: Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am
Mon 21 st Apr	No Mass	–	–
Tues 22 nd Apr	Mass: Tuesday in the Octave of Easter (White), preceded by Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena Prayer (9:20am).	Fraserburgh 9.30am	–
Wed 23 rd Apr	No Mass	–	–
Thurs 24 th Apr	Mass: Thursday in the Octave of Easter (White), preceded by Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena Prayer (9:20am).	–	Peterhead 9.30am
Fri 25 th Apr	Mass: Friday in the Octave of Easter (White), preceded by Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena Prayer (6:20pm); followed by Adoration 'til 7.30pm (Confession available during adoration)	Fraserburgh 6.30pm	–
Sat 26 th Apr	Mass: Saturday in the Octave of Easter (White), preceded by Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena Prayer (9:20am)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am
	Confessions	Fraserb.11.30am - 12.15pm	Peterhead 5.45 - 6.15pm
	Vigil Mass: 2nd Sunday of Easter (White) preceded by Divine Mercy Chaplet and Novena Prayer (6:20pm)	–	Peterhead 6.30pm
Sun 27 th Apr	Mass: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am
	<i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i> (blessing of the image, talk on St. Faustina and Divine Mercy, adoration, chaplet, opportunity to go to Confession)	–	Peterhead 3.00pm



'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.'