

Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Drostan

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St. Mary's

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PETERHEAD

Stewards

Sunday 7th Sept: Majella & Madeline Morrison
Sunday 14th Sept: Margaret Wyness & Rose Weir

Readers

Vigil Mass: 6th Sept: Philippa Baker-Short
Sunday: 7th Sept: Laura Shkunderkova & Corazon Simpson

Vigil Mass: 13th Sept: Helen Noble
Sunday: 14th Sept: Nicola Noga & Julia Buda

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £385.00

Offertory Collection Sun 31st Aug: £378.14

Fabric & Building Fund Collection: £82.93

Thank you for your continued support.

Piety Stall: Pope Leo has announced that St. John Henry Newman will become a Doctor of the Church. Some 'The prayers of John Henry Newman' prayer cards are available on the stall: a wonderful way to ask for the powerful intercession of this Saint who will be declared the 38th Doctor of the Church!

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

FRASERBURGH

Stewards

Sunday 7th Sept: Norma Bisset & Anne Reilly
Sunday 14th Sept: Therese Alexander & Cirila Webster

Readers

Sunday 7th Sept: Cyprian Kalu Iherulo & Bob Watson
Sunday 14th Sept: Wojtek Alberti & Bob Watson

Ministers of Holy Communion

Sunday 7th Sept: Ad Hoc, Gwen Craigie, Bob Watson

Sunday 14th Sept: Norma Bisset, Bob Watson, Allan Moore

Monthly Income from Standing Orders: £480.00

Offertory Collection Sun 31st Aug: £279.26

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First Communion Classes – start today, Sunday 7th September 2025.

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

OTHER NOTICES

Sick & Retired Priests: A special collection will be taken **this weekend, Sat/Sun 6th/7th September** in support of Sick & Retired Priests. This collection provides much needed support to the diocese in favour of our elderly and infirm priests. Thank you for your generosity!

Vocations Awareness Week begins next Sunday 14th September. This is a great opportunity for us to renew our prayers for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We can also fruitfully ask ourselves what God's *call* to each one of us amounts to... : being a good husband: a saintly one, indeed; being a good mum: a saintly one...; living Christian life to the full in our place of work, etc. It's good to remind ourselves every day that, as members of Christ's mystical body, we are *called* to radiate the holiness and love of Christ Himself.

All Saints Day Party: We are going to be holding a children's All Saints Day party on **Friday 31st Oct** in St. Mary's parish hall. Come dressed as your favourite Saint. More details to follow!

Ignatian Spiritual Exercises – Day Retreat. Ignatian Elgin is holding a day retreat at **Birnie Kirk** in Elgin on **September 13th** exploring Ignatian Spirituality, introducing the Spiritual Exercises and the Examen. 10am - 4pm. Cost £15.00, which covers lunch, tea, coffee and snacks. Further info.: ignatanelgin@tutamail.com.

Euthanasia/Assisted Dying. There are now **just 7 days** until the Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill has the first day of its Second Reading in the House of Lords on **Friday, 12 September**. This debate will be

pivotal. Although no vote is typically held at Second Reading in the House of Lords, the debate next Friday will be crucial in determining the direction the Lords will take on this Bill. It's vital that as many Peers as possible attend and speak out against it. Over 200 Peers have already signed up to speak against assisted suicide, but we need to ensure even more do so – and that the overwhelming majority speak in opposition to the Bill. If you haven't already, please try to make time to send a letter to a Peer to help stop the Bill. The pro-life charity Right To Life have a **simple online tool** to make it really easy to send a letter to a Peer. **Visit their helpful webpage** at <https://righttolife.org.uk/aspeersletter>

This Sunday Blessed Carlo Acutis (+ 2006) and Piergiorgio Frassati (+ 1925) will be canonised by Pope Leo XIV in Rome. Carlo Acutis is the first saint of the millennial generation. He was actually born in London, though he subsequently lived most of his short 15 years of life in Italy. He loved our Lord, and cherished His presence in the Blessed Sacrament. Carlo used to say: **"To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan."** *Close to Jesus...* We can really know Him and feel His presence and power in our lives! This was how Carlo became so enthusiastic in various good works, from helping the poor to promoting Eucharistic miracles online.

St. Michael the Archangel. The wonderful prince of God's heavenly court, St. Michael, is commemorated liturgically at the end of this month, on 29th September, when he is remembered especially with Saints Gabriel and Raphael – two other great angel-lights in Heaven. The angels are spiritual beings who love God and are with Him in Heaven. They are our close friends and powerful helpers on the way of faith and holy love. You may be interested in **starting a novena in Michael and the other angels' honour on 20th September**. Prayer cards with a prayer to St. Michael are available free at the back of the church.

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

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

Sun 7 th Sept	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am
Mon 8 th Sept	Mass: The Nativity of the Bl. Virgin Mary – Feast (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	–
Tues 9 th Sept	Mass: Tuesday in the 23 rd Week in Ordinary Time (Green)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	–
Wed 10 th Sept	Mass: Wednesday in the 23 rd Week in Ordinary Time (Green)	–	Peterhead 9.30am
Thurs 11 th Sept	Mass: Thursday in the 23 rd Week in Ordinary Time (Green)	–	Peterhead 9.30am
Fri 12 th Sept	Mass: The Most Holy Name of Mary (White); followed by Adoration (Confession available during Adoration)	Fraserburgh 6.30pm	–
	Mass: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (White)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	–
Sat 13 th Sept	Confessions	Fraserburgh 11.30-12.15pm	Peterhead 5.45 - 6.15pm
	Vigil Mass: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Memorial (Red)	–	Peterhead 6.30pm
Sun 14 th Sept	Mass: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Memorial (Red)	Fraserburgh 9.30am	Peterhead 11.30am



'Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.'