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# St Mary Magdalene's Church

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## 25th Sunday of Year C, 18th September 2016

# Priorities

A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism



active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

*"You satisfy  
the hungry  
hearts..."*

### For today's Mass

#### Responsorial Psalm

I will leave this place  
and go to my father.

#### Gospel Acclamation

May the Father  
of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes of our mind,  
so that we can see  
what hope his call holds for us.

*Time with Mary  
Mother of Christ*

**Retreat Day  
Saturday 26 November 2016**

#### PROGRAMME

- 10am - Mass
- 11am - Tea and Coffee
- 11.30-12.30 - Talk on Mary
- 12.30-13.30 Lunch
- 1.30-3pm - Free Time/Adoration
- 3-3.30pm - Rosary and  
dedication to Our Lady
- 3.30pm - Benediction

St Joseph's Retreat Centre,  
Lawside, Dundee

Plan ahead - book now 01382 225453

PRICE £20

### St John the Baptist Church

7pm, Wednesday, 19th October

## CANDLELIT SERVICE



in Honour of  
Our Lady of Rosary

## AROUND PERTH

### Sunday Mass in

**St Mary Magdalene's, Craigie**

10am - Sunday  
8am - Weekdays  
(except Wednesday)  
7am - Wednesday

### Sunday Mass in

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Letham**

5.30pm (vigil); 11am

### Sunday Mass in

**St Mary's, Kinnoull**

10am

### Sunday Mass in St John's

6.30pm (vigil); 9am; 11am & 6.30pm

## PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose  
of the soul of  
Sarah Algie and  
and the souls of all the faithful  
departed whose  
anniversaries occur at this time.

**Eternal rest grant  
unto their souls, O Lord.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.**

## FEASTDAYS

### Monday 26th

Saints Cosman and Damian,  
Martyrs

### Tuesday 27th

St Vincent de Paul, Priest

### Wednesday 28th

St Wenceslas, Martyr

### Thursday 29th

Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,  
Archangels,

### Friday 30th

St Jerome, Priest, Doctor

### Saturday 1st October

St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Doctor

## Collection

Thank you for your generosity -  
last Sunday's collection amounted to  
£280.40

The special collection for SCIAF's  
African Appeal amounted to £205.25

The next second collection will be on  
Sunday 17th September - in aid of the  
Student Priesthood Fund £166.40.

## Saturday Mass change

From Saturday 1st October, in re-  
sponse to parishioners requests, our  
Saturday morning Mass will be at the  
later time of 10am .

## QUIET EVENING

7pm, Thursday

6th October - in St John's

in presence of  
**the Blessed  
Sacrament**  
to meditate on  
**The Rosary**

in preparation for

**Feast of the Rosary**  
concludes with Benediction

## Romania fundraiser

Saturday 1st October at 7.30pm St  
John's Church Hall - tickets £8 inc.  
welcome drink and entertainment.

A three course meal will be served,  
70s style, and you are asked to pay  
what you think the meal is worth at  
the end of the evening. 70s dress code  
BYOB.

All profits will be taken to Romania  
and donated to the volunteering charity  
we work with at Budimex Children's  
Hospital.

Please see any of the Romania group,  
Frankie McGuire or Pauline Ward for  
tickets.

## Italian Association

The next meeting of the Italian As-  
sociation will be on Saturday 24th  
September, at 1pm in St John's Church  
Hall, followed by Holy Mass in Italian  
at 2.30pm in the church.

## Italian Classes

Italian classes will recommence on  
Saturday 1st October - at 4.15pm in the  
Small Hall at St John's. All welcome -  
beginners and fluent speakers.

## Coffee Morning

Zena Davidson and Irene Joyce are  
having a Coffee Morning and raffle for  
Macmillan Cancer Support. It will be  
in the Church Hall on Friday, 30th Sep-  
tember, 2016 between 10am and 1pm.  
Everyone welcome.

Monday 3rd October, 7.30pm  
St John's Church Hall

## Bingo Tea

for Sr Mary Roe in aid of her work  
in Kibera, Uganda

Tickets £1 inc.  
refreshments

Please support by coming along on  
the night, and/or donating a prize

All Prizes can be left at the back  
of the Church after  
Mass next week

## Justice and Peace

*... this council lays stress on rever-  
ence for all; everyone must consider  
every neighbour without exception as  
another self, taking into account first  
of all life and the means necessary to  
living it with dignity, so as not to imi-  
tate the rich man who had no concern  
for the poor man Lazarus.*

**Gaudium et Spes 27**

ARE YOU GOING TO BE IN HOSPITAL? DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS IN HOSPITAL?

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete/ tear off and hand it to Mgr Hendry after Mass