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30th Sunday of Year C, 23rd October 2016

A model for prayer

The second parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18 addresses attitude in prayer. In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray in humility before God. Jesus again surprises his listeners by showing the tax collector as the example of faith, rather than the Pharisee. Remember that Pharisees were members of a sect of Judaism active in Jesus' time. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for Jewish piety. If anyone would be a model for prayer, a Pharisee was a likely candidate. In contrast, Jesus offers the tax collector as a model for prayer. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Roman authorities in a system that allowed the tax collectors to line their own pockets by charging in excess of the defined taxes. Yet, in this parable, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple. The parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God's grace to work in us.



Today is Mission Sunday

This weekend our parish will be holding the annual Missio Scotland Mission Sunday Appeal. This year we are invited to reach out and help projects like those run by the Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception in Kenya.

By supporting the work of MISSIO Scotland today you will be helping these Sisters to look after children living with disabilities and give support to their families too.

In this way you will be helping to share the mystery of God in Kenya and in many other places in the world

You can visit www.missio.scot to see a short video from the Sisters.

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

For today's Mass

Responsorial Psalm

This poor man called;
the Lord heard him.

Gospel Acclamation

Blessed are you, Father,
Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries
of the kingdom
to mere children.

Introduction to other World Religions

with Dr Harry Schnitker

**7pm-8.30pm,
26th October**

**St Ninian Pastoral
Institute, Dundee**

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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 souls Charles Hendry
and Kathleen Harkin
and 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 24th
St Mary Antony Claret
Bishop

Friday 28th
Ss Simon and Jude

Collection

Thank you for your generosity -
last Sunday's collection amounted to
£376.05.

Catholic Papers

Catholic newspapers the Scottish
Catholic Observer, Catholic Herald,
Catholic Times etc are available in the
church porch - please take copies and
share them with the wider community.

November lists

Time now to prepare your November
lists, names of those members of your
families and those dear to you who
have died and for whom Mass will be
offered throughout the month of No-
vember - the month of the Holy Souls.

Envelopes are available at the back
of the church - please fill one in and
hand it to one of the priests.

Gift Aid

The parish received a payment from
HMRC this week for £4505.52 - rep-
resenting the tax recovered from those
who make their contribution to the
church using Gift Aid. Thank you very
much.

Any tax payer who is not already us-
ing Gift Aid can collect a form from
Mgr Hendry today.

No Mass this Thursday

Please note that there will be no Mass
in St Mary Magdalene's this Thursday.

Italian Classes

Italian classes continue on Satur-
days at 4.15pm in the Small Hall at St
John's. All welcome - beginners and
fluent speakers.

Italian Association

The next monthly meeting of the Ital-
ian Association takes place on Saturday
29th October - at 1pm in the Church Hall
- followed by Holy Mass in Italian in the
church, at 2pm.

Justice and Peace

*This split between the faith which
many profess and their daily lives
deserves to be counted among the
more serious errors of our age.*

*... The Christian who neglects his
temporal duties, neglects his du-
ties toward his neighbour and even
God, and jeopardises his eternal
salvation.*

Gaudium et Spes 43

QUARANT' ORE

40 HOURS ADORATION

ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL, DUNDEE

SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER - TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER

SEE NOTICE IN THE CHURCH PORCH

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