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The Presentation of the Lord

2nd February 2020

A light to the whole world

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. The Presentation, which is celebrated 40 days after Christmas, is not mentioned in the other Gospels. Only Luke tells the story, most likely because he writes for Gentile Christians who are not familiar with the Jewish rite of presentation and purification. In addition, the intent of Luke's Gospel is to show that God's promise to Israel, fulfilled in Jesus, extends to Gentiles.

Luke recognizes Joseph and Mary as faithful Jews who bring Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Here they present their firstborn son to the Lord. Jesus is thus consecrated as required by the Law of Moses. Present in the temple at this time are Simeon and Anna. Both are awaiting the restoration of God's rule in Israel.

Simeon had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would see Christ the Lord, the Messiah, before he died. The holy man immediately recognized the

infant Jesus as the promised Saviour, a "light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." Anna also recognized Jesus as the fulfillment of the promise of redemption and spoke about him to all.

Dundee Pregnancy and Parenthood Support

Dundee Pregnancy and Parenthood Support is based at the former Lawside Convent; supplying baby equipment & clothing; companionship at appointments and help with accessing benefits etc. On Facebook and Phone 07453 784295, confidentiality assured.

Priests *for* Scotland

A LIFE WORTH LIVING

If you would like to learn more about becoming a priest - please contact
Dunkeld Diocese's
Vocations Director
Fr Mark Cassidy - 01382 611282

40 Days For Life

Forty Days for Life is a worldwide mobilisation of prayer during Lent to protect mothers and children. In Dundee the public prayer vigil takes place at the roundabout on Ninewells Avenue 26th Feb to the 5th of April. Vigil Hours: Noon until 2pm, seven days a week & 6pm-7pm Mon-Thurs E-mail Phil Kearns 40daysforlife20@gmail.com

For today's Mass

Responsorial Psalm

Who is the king of glory?
It is the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

The light to enlighten
the Gentiles
and give glory to Israel,
your people.



Alma Mater Fund

Scottish university students who are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy are eligible to apply for The Alma Mater Fund. Call, text, or WhatsApp 07849 088 244 almamaterfund@gmail.com Facebook @almamaterfund.

Mass of Intercession for Priests

Saturday 15th February 11.30am at St Joseph's Convent, 24-28 Lawside Road, Dundee, DD3 6XY - with Bishop Stephen Robson.

AROUND PERTH

Mass in

St Mary Magdalene's, Craigie

10am - Sunday

8am - Weekdays

(except Wednesday and Saturday)

7am - Wednesday; 10am - Saturday

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

4pm (anticipated Mass); 9am; 11am,
5pm (Polish) & 6.30pm

PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose
of the souls of
Frances McCann
and the souls of all
the faithful departed.

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

FEASTDAYS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 5th February
St Agatha

Thursday 6th February
St Paul Miki and Companions

Collection

Last Sunday's collection amounted to £289.35. Thank you for your generosity.

BINGO TEA

**Tuesday 11th
February**

**All proceeds towards
funding Nurses and
Youth Volunteers
with the Dunkeld
Lourdes Pilgrimage**

**Tickets £1
inc. Tea & Cake.
Eyes down 7.30pm**

Life Teen Europe

For the past three years Dunkeld Youth Service has facilitated a 5-day trip to the Life Teen Europe Summer Camp. It takes place in the Emmaus Retreat Centre, Helvoirt, the Netherlands and welcomes teenagers (ages 14-19) from across Europe, in particular the Netherlands, Germany, Scotland, Spain and Italy.

They will participate in a range of faith- and team-building activities which will give them a chance to grow in their own faith, and also to receive the support of other teens in their faith, as well as allow them to make friends and connections that can last for many years to come.

This year we will return again to the Emmaus Retreat Centre in Helvoirt, The Netherlands to explore the theme of FIAT! The dates are 2nd-9th August - reservations close on Monday 9th March - contact youth-office@dunkelddiocese.org.uk

St John's UCM



Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 4th February, after 7pm Mass. It will be a Mini Bingo in aid of UCM funds, family & friends welcome.

Maltese Mass

Scotland's Maltese community will gather in Perth on Sunday 2nd February for a Mass to celebrate the Feast of the Shipwreck of St Paul. Malta is proud of its 2000 year association with Christianity. Paul was being taken to Rome to be tried as a political rebel, but the ship carrying him and some 274 others was caught in a violent storm only to be wrecked two weeks later on the Maltese coast. All aboard swam safely to land.

The site of the wreck is traditionally known as St Paul's Island, and is marked by a statue commemorating the event. Mass will be celebrated at 1pm in St Mary's Monastery, Kinnoull, by Fr Jean Gové, a recently ordained Maltese priest, serving in Dunkeld Diocese, and who is currently studying at St Andrews University.

Following the Mass there will be a Potluck Lunch. Please contact Fr Jean Gové – govejean@gmail.com or contact +356 9910 1030

Italian classes

Classes for beginners and for speakers at all levels take place in St John's Church Hall on Saturdays at 4.15pm. All welcome.

Catholic Papers

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.

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