

St John the Baptist Catholic Church-The Mother Church of Perth

A warm welcome to our Church. Countless Catholics and visitors have crossed the threshold of this holy place, sensing the presence of God and filling it with prayer and contemplation. Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our mission is to glorify God by our lives.

Canon Mulholland: St John's Presbytery, 20 Melville Street. Perth PH1 5PY 01738 259371

Sunday 17th November 2024-33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Responsorial Psalm: Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

Refreshments in hall after 11am Mass

Monday 18th November-Friday 22nd-Please note the Church is closed

2nd Collection for the Scottish Catholic Education Service

Sunday 17th November- Please pray for the children, staff and families of our Catholic schools.

Tuesday 19th November 1.30pm-3.30pm-Musical get together in hall.

UCM Bingo Tea: Tuesday 19th November at 7.30pm-Proceeds to Lourdes Pilgrim Fund -Donations of Prizes welcome.

Date for diary-Tuesday 26th November: Mass for the Sick will be celebrated at 10am & we will remember deceased members of the SVDP together with those our parishioners who have died during the past year.

We look forward to welcoming Primary 1 classes to our 10am Mass on Friday 29th November.

RECENTLY DEAD: Fr Gordon Brown, Fr Billy Donnelly, Donald McPhee, Paddy Houston & Jessie Sinclair

ANNIVERSARIES: Joe Johnston

Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

O God, who called your servant St Margaret, heavenly patron of Scotland, to an earthly throne that she might advance your heavenly kingdom, and gave her zeal for your church and love for your people: Mercifully grant that we also may be fruitful in good works, and attain to the glorious crown of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Sunday Masses: Saturday 4.00pm (Anticipatory Sunday Mass) 9.00am, 11.00am & 6.30 pm

Tuesdays: 6.00pm-6.45pm (Confessions in Church)

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Please pick up a **Pastoral Letter on Assisted Suicide** from + Cardinal Vincent Nichol-Archbishop of Westminster. He writes: The questions raised by this bill go to the very heart of how we understand ourselves, our lives, our humanity. For people of faith in God - the vast majority of the population of the world the first truth is that life, ultimately, is a gift of the Creator. Our life flows from God and will find its fulfilment in God. 'The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.' (Job 1:21) To ignore or deny this truth is to separate our humanity from its origins and purpose. We are left, floating free, detached, in a sphere that lacks firm anchors or destiny, thinking that we can create these for ourselves according to the mood of the age, or even of the day. The clearest expression of this faith is that every human being is made in the image and likeness of God. That is the source of our dignity and it is unique to the human person. The suffering of a human being is not meaningless. It does not destroy that dignity. It is an intrinsic part of our human journey, a journey embraced by the Eternal Word of God, Christ Jesus himself. He brings our humanity to its full glory precisely through the gateway of suffering and death.

Please pick up a card and write to your MP

The Catholic Church has been praying for the departed souls since the time of the Apostles. This fact of praying for them implies the belief that these souls are not in Heaven and yet, neither are they hopelessly lost in hell. Our belief in Purgatory as a place of expiation is an excellent example of what is meant by the tradition of the Church. During the month of November, we will offer our up our many Masses and prayers for the Holy Souls.

Holy Soul November lists are now available



The pre-Christmas parish meal & social will now take place on **Thursday 05**th **December** at 7pm in the hall. Please do join us complete a menu choice and return it.

Please continue to pray for Canon Mulholland who celebrates the 26th anniversary of his Sacred Ordination to the Priesthood this weekend.