

Westhill Catholic Parish Bulletin



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Children's Liturgy will resume on Sunday 30th October

Children's Liturgy is open to all children from toddlers up to around Confirmation age.

Sunday School for First Confession & First Holy Communion

Classes will resume after the October school holidays. Classes are led by Moyra Stephen (moyrastephen@gmail.com).

Confirmation Preparation Classes

Classes will begin after the October school holidays. Parents who wish to enrol their children for these classes (P7 or above) should please email Mary Arkless (mllarkless@gmail.com) if they are interested.

Altar Servers

Should your child be interested in learning or returning to serving the Altar, do let us know by speaking to Mavis Anagboso (mavis.anagboso@gmail.com).

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING FOR LIFE

Join us in prayer and fasting on Thursday 27th October, the 55th Anniversary of the Abortion Act.

Fasting

Fast from all food except bread and water for the day OR fast from a particular food or luxury, e.g. chocolate, alcohol, cigarettes, TV. Fast from whatever you can and try surrender something that involves a sacrifice to yourself.

Prayer

We are asking people to pray the Rosary (or an extra Rosary if you say it daily already). You can also offer to attend Mass (or an extra Mass) and go to Adoration. You can even pray before a closed tabernacle if Adoration is not available near you.

SAINT OF THE DAY

On Friday 28th October it is the feast day of [Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles](#).

Saint Simon is also known as Simon the Zealot or Simeon. Not much is known about him. It is thought that he and Saint Jude travelled to Persia to preach the gospel there.

Saint Jude is called the saint of lost causes. He gained this patronage because his name was similar to Judas Iscariot, the betrayer of Jesus, so few people asked for his intercession. He is called Jude in the Gospel of Luke. In the Gospels of Matthew and Mark he is called Thaddeus. He is the author of the Epistle of Jude.

Both of these saints were eventually martyred.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd October 2022

The readings for Mass can be found on <https://universalis.com/20221023/mass.htm>

We will be starting to introduce parts of the Mass of St Francis and hope to commence with singing the 'Lord have Mercy.'

MASS TIMES

Monday 24th October

No 5:30 pm Mass.

The Legion of Mary Group will meet at 6pm.

Thursday 27th October

Mass at **10 am** in the Small Chapel. Adoration from 9 am. Rosary from 9:35 am. The Rosary Cenacle Prayer Group and Mothers Prayers Group will meet after Mass.

Sunday 30th October

Mass at **9 am.**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment with Fr Emmet.

WELCOME

Welcome to all new parishioners and visitors to Trinity Church. If you would like to receive our Parish newsletter every week then please fill in your details in the [online form](#) on the Parish website. The Parish has several prayer groups which help us to sustain our faith and to grow in the Love of God and of our Neighbour. The details for these prayer groups can be found on the Parish website and at the back of the newsletter.

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Parish Safeguarding Coordinator is Mrs Anne Rae (trinitywesthillpsc@rcd-abdn.org) Newsletter: bronwyn.d@vidson.me

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 HERE

World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the youth world. Although its Catholic identity is clearly evident, WYD opens its doors to everyone, no matter how close to or distant from the Church they are.

Next year it will be in Lisbon, Portugal and we cannot wait to be going together as a diocese! As we prepare to go, we would greatly appreciate if you registered your interest in the form below so that we can get a rough idea of who will be interested, it will also help us communicate with you and inform you of deadlines and future updates.

Some Key information:

Location: Lisbon, Portugal

Dates: 26th July – 6th August 2023 (Travel dates may be slightly different)

Cost: *Approx. £700-900 - we will be fundraising on a parish & diocesan level to help with this*

Open to: All between 16 and 35!

The form below is NOT you making a commitment, just giving us an idea of interest! If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the team via the contact info at the end of the form. Here is the [Form Link](#). Any questions can also be directed to Joe Kelly, Youth and Children's Coordinator: youth@cathedral-abdn.org

DIOCESAN DISCIPLESHIP RETREAT COURSES

The retreat courses aim to create a community of connected, confident Catholics across the north of Scotland. The retreat is held at Kilcoy Castle on the Black Isle. The retreats cost £60 per weekend for residents in the RC Diocese of Aberdeen and £150 per weekend for those out with the diocese.

Retreat Courses:

The Philip's Course is an experience of the basic foundation of the Christian life: God's love, our need for salvation, the power of Christ's death and resurrection and the gift of the Holy Spirit to renew our lives. *Course Date: 4 - 6 November 2022 [Women].*

The Emmaus Course is an experience of the Word of God, a companion on our journey to heaven. *Course Dates: 2 - 4 December 2022 [Men] and 3 - 5 February 2023 [Women].*

The John the Beloved Course is an experience of meaning and conditions of discipleship, equipping participants to be life-long disciples of Jesus Christ. *Course Dates: 3 - 5 March 2023 [Men] and 12 - 14 May 2023 [Women].*

To register and for further information please contact the Ogilvie Centre [here](#).

PARISH GROUPS

The Legion of Mary, weekly meetings in the Small Chapel, Monday evenings at 6 pm.

Contact: Eugene Ogosi (Tel: 07983125904).

The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholics, who under the leadership of Mary, serve the Church and the community on a voluntary basis. Meetings consist of prayers (including the rosary), a sermon, reports and discussions.

The Rosary Cenacle Prayer Group, weekly meetings, Thursdays after the 10 am Mass.

All are very welcome. We pray especially for our priests, the Pope and for our families. For more information: <https://mmp-usa.net/>

Mothers Prayers Group, weekly meetings on Thursdays after the 10 am Mass.

The 'Mothers Prayers' prayer group was begun by mothers in England in 1995. These mothers felt that they should bring all the pain and the worries they had for their children to Christ and to trust in His words 'Ask and you will receive.'

COLLECTIONS

The total given by standing order and online payment for August was £1357.

The collection on Sunday 25th September was £155.

Thank you very much for your generosity.

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

You can support the work of our parish financially either in the **Offertory Collection Basket** at the door, using our **Offertory Envelopes**, or by setting up a **Standing Order** so that money will be donated to the parish every week or month.

If you use the envelopes or set up a standing order and you pay tax, we can claim **Gift Aid** for every donation that you make. This means that we receive a further 25p for every £1 you donate, at no extra cost to you.

To register for **Gift Aid**, to get offertory envelopes, or to set up a Standing Order, please speak to Fr Emmet either directly before or after Mass or by phone/email and he will give you the details. **Thank you to all of you.**