



## Holy Cross Parish

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### 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021 – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time– year B

First Reading Wisdom 1:13-15,2:23-24; Psalm 29(30) "I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me." Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15; Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

**Mass Times:** 5.30pm vigil HX; 9.30am HX; 11.30am MM; 1.00am MM (see end of newsletter for details).

**Sacrament of Penance:** If you would like the Sacrament of Penance please contact Fr Hand.

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**Streamed Mass: 27<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am; 4<sup>th</sup> July 11.30am**

**Go the parish website to click on the link for the streamed Mass.**

Maciej is always willing to provide information: phone on 0131 552 3957.

Booking for Mass: Please book, using the **mobile number 07546454419** or **Online** use the normal Holy Cross Website booking system (**EVENTS**) to submit your request. From next week the heading '**EVENTS**' is being change to **BOOKINGS**.

**Please note that the online bookings are open from Monday 9.00am to Thursday 12.00 noon. The mobile phone is open from Monday 9.00am to Saturday 12.00 noon. If there are spaces and there is someone available to take the phone it may be answered after that.**

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### Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June

#### Masses 10.00am Holy Cross and 7.00pm St. Margaret Mary's

This not a holyday of obligation this year but please make an effort to celebrate this feast by taking part in the Mass. Mass at 10:00 will be streamed on our website.

**Please use the booking service on the parish website or 07546454419 to book for the 10.00am Mass. Booking is not necessary for the 7.00pm Mass.**

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### First Communions

Congratulations to the children who received First Communion on 26<sup>th</sup> June. Thanks to those who prepared them.

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#### **Dear Parishioners and Friends,**

Our schools are now on holiday and we wish the pupils and staffs a very good holiday. This year has been very demanding for them. In particular, the staffs have had to work under very difficult conditions to help the children and young people develop their education as much as possible. Thanks to them for doing what they did. I hope the parents and children also enjoy the difference in their routines.

Fr. James Tracey has been appointed Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Director. Please pray for those involved in the annual pilgrimage as they work at seeing what is possible for next year.

Fr. Hand

## Heating and the Environment Meeting

**The date of this meeting has been changed because Fr. Hand is going to a funeral of a relative in Belfast. We are sorry for any inconveniences caused.**

The Fabric Committee and the Laudato Si Group at the moment are considering the fact that the Holy Cross house and hall boilers are 27 years old. **The meeting has been re-organised for**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 7.00pm.** Teresa Keenan will outline some climate friendly possibilities.

Please feel free to join this meeting. We need some parishioners to have looked seriously at these issues so that we can better discuss better the heating of our buildings. It will be useful if you are considering changing your domestic heating. This first meeting will be conducted by Zoom to outline the issues and possibilities and will be followed by an on-site meeting later in the summer to discuss the issues further.

**The link is: <http://heating.hcrossmm.org.uk>.** It would be useful to know how many people will take part and so if possible would you email the office if you intend to be at the meeting.

**The gardens of our two churches are much appreciated.** We do, however, need more help to keep them up to the standard we are used to. We need help in weeding, moving and general gardening. You don't have to be a specialist; your willingness to offer your time is sufficient. Please leave your details at the parish office and someone will contact you.

**Safety in the Church:** We encourage everyone to keep on observing all of our safety policies. As you know the infection rates are increasing in Scotland and particularly in the Edinburgh area. Given the success of the vaccination programme, it is a temptation for all of us to become less observant of the policies. Please continue to take them seriously. We are still in the middle of the pandemic.

**Holidays:** We ask everyone to follow the government policies about people leaving the country on holiday and returning from holiday. Also, if anyone has visitors from overseas, especially from 'amber' countries, please make sure that they understand what is required of them.

**We pray for George Robertson who has died.** His cremation service will take place on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

**We pray for Ellie May Urquhart,** daughter of Michael and Shannon Urquhart, who will be baptised this Sunday in Holy Cross Church.

### St. Columba's Hospice: Summer Appeal:

'This year our Summer Appeal focuses on community and how our values touch many aspects of life across Edinburgh and East Lothian. Through our dedicated staff, volunteers, compassionate communities and fantastic supporters, we've been able to reach our community despite the obstacles presented by COVID-19.

Throughout the challenges of the past year, we've remained committed to our core values of care & compassion, partnership, respect and trust. They're central to what makes up our Hospice culture across our services, helping us to meet challenges and work together.

elp us make a difference to people's lives in our community by donating to our Summer Appeal. Your generosity directly helps us to maintain our invaluable services for patients and families across Edinburgh and the Lothians. 82 p of every £1 is spent directl patient care with the other 18p going towards raising the next £1.'

**Lourdes Pilgrimage Committee:** Archbishop Cushley has appointed Fr James Tracey as the Director of the Archdiocese's Lourdes Pilgrimage Committee, taking over from the late Mgr Tony Duffy. Please pray for him and those organising next year's pilgrimage.

**COP 26:** Scotland's Bishops have announced their intention to set up a 'Care of Creation Office' ahead of the COP26 meeting in Glasgow later this year. COP26 is the twenty sixth conference of the parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. It is to take place at the Scottish Event Campus in Glasgow from 1 to 12 November 2021. It has been widely reported that Pope Francis is expected to attend, though this has not yet been confirmed. A briefing for Faith Communities can be found at [bit.ly/COP26briefing](http://bit.ly/COP26briefing)

**EU Nationals:** The deadline for EU citizens and their families to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme is 30 June. Free advice sessions are available in Edinburgh.

**Foodbank: Edinburgh Food Project at St. Margaret Mary's.** The foodbank has now re-opened.

**Virtual Tea/Coffee:** Join other Parishioners for a **Virtual Tea or Coffee** after Mass at 11:00 to 11:30 on Zoom. Meeting ID: 734 9918 6205 Password: 5DhvjJ.

**Prayer at Communion** (May be used during streamed Mass):

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you for your presence in this Eucharist: in the people gathered, in the priest, in the Word proclaimed and the sacrament of your Body and Blood. May we always recognise you in our midst; may we come one day to see you face to face, to be with you forever. Amen. (Archdiocesan Year of the Eucharist. Fr. Michael Regan.)

**Preface and Eucharistic Prayer:** Preface Sunday of the Year I. EP III

<b>Saturday</b>	26th June	5.30pm HX	Mass for the People
<b>Sunday</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> June	9.30am HX 11.30am MM 1.00pm MM	Bishop Monaghan Ints of Pat Gilmour
Monday	28th June	No Mass	
Tuesday	29th June	10.00am HX 7.00pm MM	Marina Duckmanton
Wednesday	30th June	10.00am HX	Fr. Tony Duffy
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> July	10.00am MM	Agnes Fairholm
Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> July	10.00am HX	Joan Hume
<b>Saturday</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> July	5.30pm HX	Charlie Gallagher
<b>Sunday</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am HX 11.30am MM 1.00pm MM	Mass for the People Ann Carolan

**Online Giving: If you wish to use the new Offertory giving link** click on the following link [PayaCharity Donation Portal](#). The parish has done well using this new diocesan method of paying. Thanks for that. Perhaps others would consider using this method.

**Sunday Streamed Mass** will be available on our website 9.30am one week and 11.30am the other.

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