

Deanery

Bishop Andrew is in the process of revamping and reorganising the Deaneries. In fact our Deanery is the only one that meets regularly. On the first Monday of June Fr. Mike is organising the election of a Dean. The same will be happening throughout the Diocese.

Next the bishop will send out a description of the role of the Dean. This may take on more importance from what he has communicated with the priests. What is new is the new dean should arrange for a deanery Mass to take place and to include the installation of the new dean as part of that liturgy. The bishop will be present.

MONTH OF MAY - MARY'S MONTH

The practice dates back at least 700 years and is still observed around the world today. May is seen as the beginning of new life and the start of summer, which makes this a logical time for the celebrations of Mary, who brought life into the world.

In contemporary Catholic tradition, the month of May remains a deeply significant time dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, blending ancient devotion with modern, "lived" faith. While rooted in historical practices from the 13th-18th centuries, the modern view focuses on Mary as a relatable, active, and maternal figure for everyday life rather than a distant theological concept.

Key Themes of Contemporary Marian Devotion

- The "First Disciple" & Model of Trust: Pope Francis and contemporary theologians emphasise Mary not just as a figure to be worshipped, but as the "first disciple of Jesus" who shows us how to trust God, even when life is uncertain.
- A "Yes" in Challenging Times: Her *fiat* (her "yes" to God) is seen as a source of strength for believers facing personal or global difficulties. She is often portrayed as the "Virgin of Promptness" who immediately acted to help others (e.g., in the Visitation).
- Not Worship, But Veneration: Modern teachings, especially in the context of interfaith dialogue, clarify that Catholics *honor* or *venerate* Mary, not worship her. She is loved as a mother and powerful intercessor who always points to her Son, Jesus.
- Mother of the Church: As confirmed by Pope Paul VI in 1964 and emphasised by subsequent Popes, she is seen as a living maternal presence watching over the church and providing comfort in the "here and now"



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The Most Holy Trinity

Sat	30 May	5.30pm	Vigil Mass Feast of the Trinity
Sun	31 May	8.30am 11.30am	Mass Mass ~ First Communions
Mon	1 June	9.30am 11am 5pm	Mass with the children who made their 1st Communions yesterday. Deanery Election ~ Alva Fabric & Maintenance meeting
Tues	2 June	~ ~ ~ ~	No services
Wed	3 June	9.30am 7pm	Mass Parish Pastoral Council
Thurs	4 June	9.30am 6pm	Mass Mass ~ Perth
Fri	5 June	7pm	Mass
Sat	6 June	9.30am 5.30pm	Mass Vigil Mass
Sun	7 June	8.30am 11.30am	Mass. Feast of The Body & Blood of Christ Mass

This Sunday's Readings	
First Reading	Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9
Psalms	Dan 3: 52 -56
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 13; 11-14
Gospel	John 3: 16-18

Last Sunday's Collection	
Non Gift Aid	£445.22
Gift Aid	£353.00
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<b>Total</b>	£798.22

## Prayer Requests

### Those who are sick ~

Joan Jones, Msgr. Basil O'Sullivan, Natalie Otolini, Jade Dicerbo, Stuart Mason, Sean McCann, Carly Mournian, Brendan Murphy, Vincent McDauid, Peter Douglas, Mary Gordon, Mary Hughes, Peter & Margaret Stark, Sarah Jane Connelly, Duncan McGregor, Maria McIntyre, John & Trisha Smith, Drs. Diane & Mike Basquill, Maurice Di Duca, Heather Stewart, Cathy McCallum, Archie Gallaway, Bishop Stephen, Cathy Fox, Jim McKay, Peter Caproni, Laura Laing, Susan Duvall, Brian Robertson, Melissa Brown, Margo Tobin, John Lawlor and Lisa McIlwrath, Fr. Hutchinson, Margaret Smith, Kath Massanopoli, Bobby Williamson.

### Those whose anniversaries occur at this time ~

Jack Ray, Lawrence McArthur, William Conlan, Mel Latte, Alex Byrne, Fr. Colin Golden, Mary Galloway, Greta Soave, Mary Connor, Anne McNiven, Elizabeth Di Giovanni, John Boyle, Tommy Lawlor, Willie Crews, Canon Michael Milton, Mgr Charles Henry.



The Children's Liturgy team are running the sessions during the 11.30am Mass on 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month.

**Last one before Summer Holidays ~  
14th Jun**

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY 7PM CHURCH HALL - ALL WELCOME.

This meeting is a business meeting to discuss and resolve the day to day matters of the parish. Everyone is welcome but each group or activity should have a representative present. These meetings never go over the hour.

The next PPC will be a Conversation in the Spirit meeting.

## SUNDAY 7th ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**OFFERTORY - HEALTH SNACK FOOD COLLECTION  
TEAS AND COFFEES IN THE HALL.**

## Trinity Sunday is celebrated the Sunday after Pentecost – in 2026, that is May 31.

It is the only feast in the Catholic calendar dedicated not to an event in salvation history, but to a mystery of God himself. After the great feasts of Easter, Ascension, and Pentecost, the Church pauses to contemplate the mystery of who God is – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

### Prayer for Trinity Sunday

Glory be to you, Father,  
who created us in love and never stopped calling us home.

Glory be to you, Son,  
who became one of us so that we might share  
in your divine life.

Glory be to you, Holy Spirit,  
who dwells in us  
and prays within us  
when we do not know how to pray.

Most Holy Trinity –  
one God in three Persons –  
we do not fully understand you.

But we believe in you.

We worship you.

We rest in you.

Teach us to live as your children –  
loved by the Father,  
redeemed by the Son,  
renewed by the Spirit.

May every Sign of the Cross we make  
be more than a gesture –  
may it be an act of faith,  
a prayer,  
a surrender.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end.

Amen