

24 October 2021

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

Jer 31: 7-9

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 126: 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

Second Reading:

Heb 5: 1-6

Gospel:

Mark 10: 45-52

Programme of worship:

Sunday 24 October

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament for 30 minutes before each Mass on Sunday

9.00am, 11.00am & 4.30pm

Mon 25 October

No Mass

Tues 26 October

Mass 12.30pm

Wed 27 October

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 12.00noon

Mass 12.30pm

Thurs 28 Oct: Mass 12.30pm

Fri 29 October

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 12.00noon

Mass 12.30pm

Sat 30 Oct: Mass 12.30pm

Sunday 31 October

Mass

9.00am, 11.00am & 4.30pm

Reconciliation 12.00 - 12.25pm

Wed & Sat. Call 0131 556 1973

to arrange reconciliation outside these times.

Liturgical Calendar

28 Oct Ss Simon and Jud

We look forward to the **Baptism** of baby Geo Kim Lee on the afternoon of Sat 30 October.

St Patrick's RC Church Edinburgh

National Shrine of Venerable Margaret Sinclair
Served by The Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy



Fr Francis Ututo SMMM Administrator

Fr Benedict Umeohana SMMM, Assisting Priest

Fr Kingsley Idoghor SMMM, Assisting Priest

Dear Parishioners

Fr Benedict and Fr Kingsley, on behalf of all our parishioners, extend a very warm welcome to Father Francis Ututo on his return.

Today is World Mission Sunday, when we focus on the mission of the Church, which is to bring the Good News to the whole world. When we think of missionaries, we think of men and women who have dedicated their lives to bringing the gospel to people in Third World countries. But we are all missionaries, witnessing by our own lives to the good news we have come to know in the Lord.

Gospel reflection:

The dynamic between Bartimaeus and Jesus is a perfect description of what faith is: Bartimaeus heard Jesus, cried out to him, persisted in his prayer, came to Jesus when he called, and spoke boldly of his need. All these actions: hearing, crying out, coming, speaking describe our Christian discipleship. We must let our faith lead us to Jesus and then we must follow him. Without persistence in prayer, it will be impossible for us to follow Jesus faithfully on the road of self-giving. The encounter with Jesus in prayer keeps our relationship with God healthy and strong. The prayer of petition reminds us that disciples can do nothing on their own without Jesus' help. At times we are doing our faith by reaching out to those around us in need; at other times we are being our faith by taking time to let our God be present to us in prayer.

(Living Liturgy, p.232)

Prayer of the week:

Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me. I do humbly beg You with all my heart for Your mercy and compassion. Though I am unworthy, I seek Your grace and trust in Your goodness. Amen

Thought of the week:

Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the doing you have to worry about.

St Jane Frances de Chantal



Question of the week:

What aspect of my life needs healing?

What do I want Jesus to do for me?

We pray for the repose of the gentle soul of Veronica Burnett who died recently. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Our prayers are with all those who mourn her passing.

Mass Intentions

Date	Mass	Name	Intention
24 October	09.30am	Dianne Robb	Recent death
26 October	12.30pm	For the consolation of Dianne Robb's family at this sad time.	
27 October	12.30pm	Michael Carberry	Recent death
28 October	12.30pm	Jane & Peter Tracey	RIP

Finance:

Collections from

3 October

GA	£ 174.80
NGA	£ 296.35
Tanzania	£ 5.00

Making a donation:

If you have not already done so, you may wish to consider taking out a standing order for your weekly / monthly contribution, in this case, the parish account details are:

St Patricks Church
Bank of Scotland,
Sort code: 80-02-29,
Account number: 00687306

Please remain:

vigilant at all times

wear masks

maintain high hygiene standards

ensure there is good ventilation at all times

keeping a safe distance at all times

Follow all COVID protocols to help keep each other safe.

Key Holders

Once again, all keyholders are asked to inform Fr Benedict of the reason why keys are required. If you no longer have a reason to hold keys, please hand them in to Fr Benedict as soon as possible.

COP26: a summary guide produced by SCIAF is available at bit.ly/COP26Guide

Special collection today in aid of **Missio Scotland**. Thank you for your generosity.

Annual Archdiocesan Mass to mark the excellent charity work of the Society of St Vincent de Paul in our Archdiocese will be celebrated by Archbishop Leo in **St Patrick's, Cowgate, Edinburgh** at 11.00am on Saturday 20 Nov.

October Devotions: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament half an hour before Masses on Sundays, Wednesdays & Fridays. The Holy Rosary will be prayed together every Wednesday and Friday.

Synod 2021-2023: The diocesan stage of the Synod 2021-2023 was launched by Archbishop Cushley who celebrated Mass at St Mary's Cathedral last Sunday. You can read what the Archbishop had to say about the synod at bit.ly/SynodLaunchHomily Keep up to date on Archdiocesan social media and at archedinburgh.org/news-events. Parishes will soon receive details on the steps they can take to contribute to this diocesan stage. Read more about the Synod at www.synod.va

November list: All Souls' Day. Please write the names (**in block capitals**) of your deceased relatives and friends, put the list in the envelope provided and place the envelope in the box in the foyer or post/hand in to the parish house **before 31 October**. Names will be read out and prayed for at Mass on November 2.

Mass Times:

1 November, Feast of All Saints - **12.30am & 5.30pm**

2 November, All Souls - **12.30pm & 5.30pm**
(*No early morning Mass on either day due to ongoing work.*)

SPUC Scotland's **Annual Torchlight Procession:** to remember the lives lost from abortion over the last 54 years is on Thursday 28 October 2021. Gathering at George Square, Glasgow, Rosary will commence at 6.30pm followed by a procession at 7.00pm to St Andrew's Cathedral, where Mass will begin at 7.30pm. For more information contact SPUC Scotland on 0141 221 2094.

Praying for life: The vigil, from 8.30am-5.00pm daily until 31 October, is in the public right-of-way outside the Chalmers Sexual Health Centre. Please visit www.40daysforlife.com/Edin and / or edinburgh40days@gmail.com for more information.

All Souls' Day: Archbishop Leo will be offering Holy Mass for the repose of all the faithful departed who have died in the Archdiocese in the last year, Tuesday 2 Nov, at 10am in the Cemetery Chapel.

Dementia: Hope on a Difficult Journey: An event organised by the Archdiocesan Marriage & Families Commission for those supporting friends or family with dementia, will be held at the Gillis Centre, Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, from 2.00pm-4.00pm on Saturday 6 November. Register at bit.ly/DementiaEvent2021

As a result of recent inspections, **major work** begins from Monday 25 October to eradicate pigeon guano (**which has built up over many years**) from the tower and attic space.

Take care. Keep safe. Stay well.

Fr Francis SMMM, Fr Benedict SMMM & Fr Kingsley SMMM