

**WELCOME TO  
ST NINIAN RC CHURCH  
&  
ST JOSEPH RC CHURCH**



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**Sunday Newsletter**

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**Our Sunday Masses:**

**Vigil Mass:** 5.00pm in St Ninian's RC Church

**Sunday Mass:**

9.30am in St. Ninian's RC Church

11.00am in St. Joseph's RC Church

**Daily Masses**

**St Ninian's RC Church:**

Tuesday; 6pm

Wednesday; 10am

Friday; 10am.

**St Joseph's RC Church:**

Wednesday; 6pm

Thursday; 10am

Saturday; 10am

**Holy Days of Obligation:**

Vigil Mass: 5.00pm in St Ninian's RC Church

**Day Masses:**

Morning: As announced.

**EXPOSITION;**

Saturday; 10.30am to 11am in St Joseph's Church

Friday; 10.30am to 11am in St. Ninian's Church

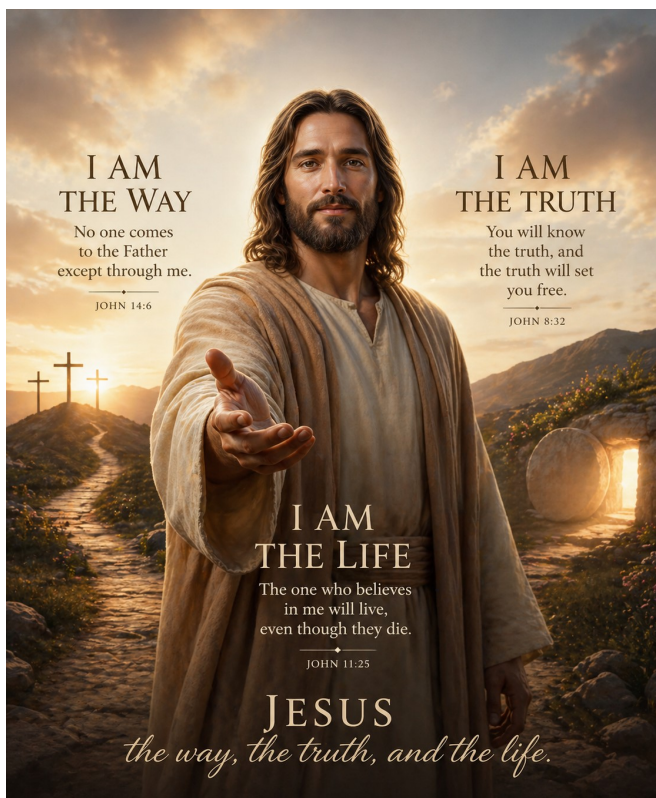
**Birthdays Celebrations;** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

**Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession**

St. Ninian; Saturday 4.15pm—4.45pm

St. Joseph; Saturday 10.30am

**I am the way, and the truth, and the life.**



“I am the way, the truth, and the life” (John 14:6) is not just a statement—it is an invitation. In a world full of confusion, Jesus does not merely show a path; He *is* the path. When our hearts are troubled, He calls us to trust, reminding us that faith is not about having all the answers, but about knowing the One who does.

In Acts, the early Church faced challenges, yet by staying rooted in Christ, they grew stronger. In Peter's letter, we are called “living stones,” built upon Christ, the cornerstone. This means our lives find meaning only when grounded in Him.

Jesus is the truth that frees us from falsehood, the way that leads us through uncertainty, and the life that conquers fear and death. Today, let us walk with Him, trust in Him, and become reflections of His light to others, bringing hope, courage and love into every place we go each day. Amen

Sunday 3 May 2026

5th Sunday of Easter •

Liturgical Colour: White. Year: A(II).

Readings at Mass

First reading

Acts 6:1-7 •

**‘They chose seven men full of the Holy Spirit.’**

In those days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. And the Twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, ‘It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers and sisters, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.’ And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the Apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 33(32):1-2. 4-5. 18-19. R22

**May your merciful love be upon us,**

**as we hope in you, O LORD.**

**or: Alleluia.**

Ring out your joy to the LORD, O you just;

for praise is fitting from the upright.

Give thanks to the LORD upon the harp;

with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs.

**May your merciful love be upon us,**

**as we hope in you, O LORD.**

**or: Alleluia.**

The word of the LORD is upright,

and all his works to be trusted.

The LORD loves justice and right,

and his merciful love fills the earth.

**May your merciful love be upon us,**

**as we hope in you, O LORD.**

**or: Alleluia.**

Yes, the LORD’S eyes are on those who fear him,

who hope in his merciful love,

to rescue their soul from death,

to keep them alive in famine.

**May your merciful love be upon us,**

**as we hope in you, O LORD.**

**or: Alleluia.**

Second reading

1 Peter 2:4-9 •

**‘But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.’**

Beloved: Come to the Lord, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious. You yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture: ‘Behold, I am laying in Sion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.’ So the honour is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone’, and ‘A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence.’ They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, and the truth, and the life, says the Lord.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

Alleluia.

## Gospel

John 14:1-12

**'I am the way, and the truth, and the life.'**

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

'Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.'

## BIDDING PRAYERS

**Priest:** God is love, and in His Son Jesus, He calls us to love one another. With trust in His goodness, we bring

### 1. For the Church

That the Church may faithfully live out Christ's commandment of love, becoming a living sign of unity, compassion, and hope in the world.

**Lord, hear us.** *Lord, graciously hear us.*

### 2. For world leaders and peace

That leaders of nations may work for justice, reconciliation, and peace, especially in places troubled by conflict and division.

**Lord, hear us.** *Lord, graciously hear us.*

### 3. For care of creation

That we may be good stewards of God's creation, protecting the earth from harm, respecting all living things, and working together to address climate challenges.

## Know Your Faith

**MAY**  
*The Month of Mary*

May is a special time in the Church when we honor Mary, our Mother, who leads us closer to her Son, Jesus.

**OUR DEVOTION:**  
**THE ROSARY**

The Rosary is a powerful prayer that helps us meditate on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus through the eyes and heart of Mary.

- It deepens our faith.
- It brings peace to our hearts.
- It unites us with Mary and with the Church.
- It is a prayer for our families, our world, and our souls.

*Pray the Rosary*

EVERY DAY, LET US GIVE OUR HEARTS TO MARY AND DRAW CLOSER TO JESUS.

**Lord, hear us.** *Lord, graciously hear us.*

### 4. For students sitting exams

That all students preparing for and sitting their exams at this time may be blessed with calm minds, clarity of thought, and confidence in their abilities.

**Lord, hear us.** *Lord, graciously hear us.*

### 5. For the sick and those in need

That those who are sick, lonely, or burdened may experience God's healing love through the care and kindness of others.

**Lord, hear us.** *Lord, graciously hear us.*

### 6. For our parish community

That we may truly love one another as Christ has loved us, building a welcoming and supportive community of faith.

**Lord, hear us.** *Lord, graciously hear us.*

## 7. For the faithful departed

That those who have died may be welcomed into the fullness of God's love and eternal life.

**Lord, hear us.** *Lord, graciously hear us.*

**Priest:** Heavenly Father, you renew all things in Christ your Son. Hear the prayers we bring before you with faith and trust. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Please pray for those who are sick at home or in hospital especially those of our Parish** – Jim Ashwood, Irene Blaney, Margaret Mackie, Fletcher Ditchburn, Margaret Forsyth, Gordon Sangster, Bill Martin, Mary Clark, Bella Shaw, Angela Keith, Cecilia McCarten, Alan Newell, Albert Soave, Bethany Williamson, Irene McKay, Saul Sangster, Gillian Donnelly, Margaret Beck, Tony Beck, Anya Behl, Andrew Fyffe, Lyn Fyffe, Lisa Gillespie, Gerard Halliday and Margaret McDonagh. **May they feel the healing power of Christ, in body and in spirit.**

**Please pray for those who have died and gone before us in faith** - for the souls of Sr Monica Coyle, Bill Newall, Stephen Black, Kenny McDonald, Ida Smith, Fr James McGhie, Kaye Booth, Patrick Ruddy Jnr and Tom Grant, whose anniversaries occur around this time. **May God grant them, and the souls of all the faithful departed, eternal rest.**

**Preface: 5 of Easter**

**Eucharistic Prayer 3**



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### MAY DEVOTION

Welcome to the month of May, the month of Mary our mother. In this month the church encourages us to pray the rosary daily. As a family of St Ninian and St. Joseph, I encourage us to pray our rosary at home and during our weekly adorations on Fridays and Saturdays.

## ST JOSEPH'S - OFFERTORY COLLECTION – SUNDAY 26 APRIL

Loose Plate £190 Gift Aid Envelopes £228 Standing Orders £356 Additional Offertories £21 Maintenance Fund £10 TOTAL OFFERTORIES £805

### THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Please try to give a little more each week to help St Jo's.

## ST JOSEPH'S – SOCIAL GROUP

Our Home Baking Event is back today for your enjoyment after the Sunday Mass. Please support by purchasing some delicious goodies, and our sincere thanks to all our bakers. All monies raised today will be donated by the Social Group to the church maintenance fund. Thank you - *Margaret Sinclair*

## ST JOSEPH'S – OUR PARISH WEBPAGE

As I said last week, we now have our webpage working again at <https://stjosephsdundee.org.uk> but there is not much content so we need to spend quite a lot of time and effort in providing you with a parish webpage that you will want to regularly visit. I am happy to support this project but would ask for your help. I think that we need a small team of 3 or 4 people to drive the initial concepts and we will want your individual thoughts and suggestions on what to include. Don't leave this to someone else, talk to me if you want to help, whether it be a little or a lot. My email, if you prefer to contact me that way, is [john.sinclair9@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:john.sinclair9@hotmail.co.uk) Since last week, I have only received information from one person so can I please ask again for some support. Many thanks – *John Sinclair*



## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

### AFRICAN MASS

The African mass will be celebrated again on the 10th day of May 2026 at 3.30pm at the usual venue: **St Ninian's RC Church Dickson Avenue MenziesHill DD2 4DA Dundee.** We welcome all africans and all lovers of Africa. Come and

celebrate with us.

## ST NINIAN

### DIOCESAN EVENT ON OUR JOURNEYING TOGETHER PROGRAMME

Saturday 9th 2026 at The Pastoral Centre St Mary's Forebank Hall 10.00-1.45 pm.

Please come and listen to the well-known writer, papal biographer, and Tablet correspondent **Austen Ivereigh**, as he presents live online the topic: **"Missionary disciples in a synodal Church: the future of faith in these Islands"**. How does the Church thrive in an age where it is no longer supported by culture?

**Church Cleaning** The excellent St Ninian's Church Cleaning Team will be getting busy after the 10am Mass next Wednesday morning 6 May making sure the church is clean, neat and tidy for all of us. Anyone who is free and happy to help will be made very welcome.

**Home Baking** Thank you to all our wonderful bakers for the amazing variety of tasty delights on sale last weekend. Thanks also goes to all who made a purchase. The amount raised for church funds was in excess of £80. The next baking weekend will be on 27/28 June.

### OFFERTORY 26/04/2026:

OFF £299.26, ga £221.00 TOTAL: £520.26

SCIAF BOXES: all parishioners are encouraged to hand in the sciaf boxes.

**200 CLUB WINNER** 26/04/2026 NO27 L. JOHNSTONE