



PARISHES OF ST PETER, AND ST FERGUS

Bulletin

SUNDAY 13 JULY: SEA SUNDAY.

(Dt 30:10-14, Col 1:15-20, Lk 10:25-37)



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Sunday Mass: St. Peter's 4.00pm (Sat) & 10.00 am, St. Fergus' 6pm (Sat) & 11.30 am

Weekday Mass: St Peter's – Tue & Thu 10.00am; St Fergus – Mon, Wed & Fri 9.30am

Confessions: St Peter's 3.15-3.50pm, St Fergus' 5.20-5.50pm; and on request

PARISH SPONSORED WALK: St Peter's parish is embarking on a Sponsored Walk on Sunday 3rd August at 1pm to visit churches in the cluster. We will start at St Peter's, then move on to St Charles, St Mirin's Cathedral, St Mary's, St Fergus and concludes at St Peter's. Parishioners, please join the walk, if possible the entire walk, or just a part of it if preferred. Funds raised will be used for the repairs and maintenance of the Church. Sponsor Forms will be available at the back of the church from 20th July. If you wish to join us please take one, in order to collect names of sponsors. Anyone who doesn't want to join us, but may wish to sponsor someone or anyone wishes to donate instead, there will be a basket at the back of the church. It would be helpful if sponsor money could be collected by 17th August, or someone will present this to Father Thomas at Mass the following weekend. Children may participate if accompanied by an adult. We will leave St. Peter's at 1.00pm. People will walk at a pace that suits them, as we want this to be enjoyable. There will be Stewards on the walk to ensure things proceed as smoothly as possible. If anyone decides to return to the church before the end, then transport will be available. At the end of the walk there will be tea, coffee and catch-up in the church hall.

Please come along and join us if you can. We would love to see as many people as possible, in order to make this a parish social event as well as being a fundraiser. Please donate if you can.

PRAYER REQUESTS: We pray for all who are sick ... For all who have recently died in particular

Ellen Pope, Mary Roe, and James Coyle, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Sheila Welsh, and Tommy Hallan, and six months mind of Daniel McIntyre and Eva Stevenson.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS (15 June): St Peter's - Offertory: £410.90, B. Fund: £297.65, Hall Lets £125.00, St Fergus: Offertory: £160.00, B. Fund £74.80.

STANDING ORDERS: If any of you wish to increase your standing orders or set up new standing orders, please complete a standing order form and gift aid declaration, if applicable and return them to Fr Thomas. These forms can be obtained from the parish website or from the parish office. Alternatively, you can set up regular faster payment to the parish via your online banking system. Parish bank details as follows: **St Peter's Parish:** Sort Code 80-22-60, Account No 16382568. **St Fergus Parish:** Sort Code: 80-22-60, Account No: 16819664.

TEA & COFFEE - available in the parish hall after the morning mass. All are most welcome.

SAFEGUARDING THOUGHT FOR JULY 2025: The Church is fully committed to the provision of compassionate care for survivors.

THANKS: Mr & Mrs Martin McNulty thank the parish community for the wishes and prayers on the occasion of their Diamond jubilee of wedding.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS IN ST PETER'S: it is just to let you know about the upcoming parish events for this year:

Parish Sponsored Walk- 3rd Aug

Quiz Night in Church hall- 29th Aug

40 Hours Adoration- 8th- 12th Sept

Race Night in Church Hall - 3rd October

Christmas Fete in church hall - 14th Dec

EASY FUNDRAISING: Easy fundraising is a platform that allows people to raise money for a noble cause, such as a charity/church/school. It is by doing your online shopping. When someone shops through the [easyfundraising website or app](#), the retailer donates a percentage of the sale price to the shopper's chosen cause without any additional cost to the shopper. As mentioned, it doesn't cost the buyer any additional burden and the advantage is that it will raise some fund for the parish. Fliers are available at the back of the Church.

PEREGRINATIO PRO CHRISTI (TRAVELLING FOR CHRIST): Every year some members of the Legion of Mary volunteer to take part in a Peregrinatio Pro Christi project (PPC) to another country. Scotland was given the responsibility of helping with evangelisation in Finland. So, for over 40 years teams of legionaries from Scotland have been spending part of their summer holidays at their own expense going out to share the Gospel in various parts of Finland. Last year there was a successful project to Oulu in Northwestern Finland. This year on Monday 14th of July, a team will travel to Helsinki in Finland sharing their faith with all those they meet. It can often be very difficult work and is supported by the many prayers being said by those at home. We would like to invite you to pray for this project which concludes on Thursday 24th July.

MARCH FOR LIFE UK 2025: In partnership with SPUC you are invited to join Bishop John Keenan on his coach to London for March for Life UK 2025, on Saturday 6 September 2025. Departing midnight from Paisley St Mirin's Cathedral with pickup at Glasgow St Andrew's Cathedral. Arriving in London approx. 7.30/8am. Departing on same day at 6pm, dropping off at Glasgow and Paisley. £30pp. To book your seat(s), please visit the following: <https://rcdop.org.uk/events/march-for-life-uk-2025>

FAITH. FOOTBALL. FUNDRAISING: Parishes are invited to enter a team in SCIAF's 5-a-side football tournament, 'The SCIAF Shield' on Saturday 30 August at Goals, Shawlands. It's a fun, faith-filled way to support SCIAF's work. Teams of up to 8 players (aged 16+) welcome. For more details or to sign up visit: sciaf.org.uk/events

STELLA MARIS is an International Maritime charity supporting seafarers, fishers, and their families in the UK and around the world. It is the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church.

In October 1920 in Glasgow Apostleship of the Sea (now known as Stella Maris) was established by a group of Catholic men and women with the founding belief that every seafarer deserves fair

working conditions and respect for their human rights. At this time Britain had one of the largest merchant fleets in the world, employing many thousands of British seafarers. Over time the Apostleship of the Sea grew into a world-wide pastoral and welfare organisation with 80 functioning centres by the end of World War II.

100 years later it is the largest ship visiting network in the world, providing seafarers with practical and pastoral support, information, and a friend in times of need. It tries to improve the lives of seafarers and fishers through their network of local chaplains and seafarer centres, expert information, advocacy, and spiritual support.

Even though the shipping industry has changed dramatically in the last 100 years, the mission to provide care and support for the people of the sea remains the same. Globalisation and the drive for greater profit margins, combined with technological advances, changed the face of international shipping forever. Ships became larger, ports moved down river, and turnaround times for ships in port were reduced dramatically. Crews also became smaller, and were increasingly recruited from developing world countries where wages were lower. Owners registered their ships under so-called flags of convenience to avoid stringent regulatory controls.

In these changed circumstances Apostleship of the Sea adapted to provide pro-active outreach by way of ship visiting to assess practical needs, backed up by a modern drop-in centre inside the docks, equipped with email terminals and telephones to facilitate contact with loved ones back home whom they may not have seen for nine or even twelve months.

Stella Maris runs the large seafarers' hostels in all the major port towns where seafarers could stay while their ships were in port, often for weeks at a time. Hundreds of volunteers from the local parishes were involved in providing hospitality and entertainment for seafarers in these hostels, which were always full. Across the world, the charity aims to provide a 'friend in every port' and stand alongside seafarers and fishers to ensure their rights are upheld. Their network of chaplains and volunteers makes more than 70,000 ship visits each year and supports hundreds of thousands of seafarers and fishermen in times of need. There are 1,000 chaplains and volunteers in 330 ports across 60 countries from Australia to the USA (*partly taken from stellamaris.org.uk*)