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Reimagining Parish Pastoral Councils

The Global Catholic Church is now on a Synodal path where everyone has a part to play and where all voices are listened to, valued and respected. In order to achieve this new way of being church it is necessary to make changes to how Pastoral Councils operate. Therefore, all members (Old and new) of the PPC are kindly invited for: 'An Introduction to Reimagining Parish Pastoral Councils' in St Ninian's Church Hall on Wednesday 21 January at 7pm. Note

Journeying Together on the Synodal Path in 2026: The Final Document

The *Final Document of the Synod for Synodality* was voted on and approved by Pope Francis on 26 October 2024 is, in all its parts. It is an authoritative direction for the Church's life and mission going forward. In the weeks to come 'take aways' from the document will be published in our newsletter. Please follow the link to read more from this excellent publication.

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/synodal-church/synods-final-document-and-accompanying-resource/>

Tasty Afternoon Tea

Our first Tasty Afternoon Tea of 2026 will be served in CCs by the lovely CC Ladies on Thursday 29 January at 12.30pm. Cost £6. A special welcome is extended to members of our St Joseph's Family. To reserve a place, please text Maureen on 07766886080 or sign up at the back of the church. ALL WELCOME!

Alpha 2026



Our parish is going to be running an Alpha course this year (I will share more details in the coming weeks) but what actually is Alpha? Alpha is a series of group conversations that freely explore the basics

of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. Everyone is welcome!

- Sixteen sessions, typically run over eleven weeks (we will be starting during Lent this year).
- Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation.
- There are 3 elements to every Alpha meeting (connection, content and conversation):
 - Table of fellowship: sharing of food/meal together.
 - Presentation of some simple and clear element of the Gospel message.
 - Discussion post-presentation.

Other Catholic parishes in Scotland and the UK have found that running Alpha has had many benefits:

- A greater vibrancy and participation in mission and evangelisation.
- Welcoming people who have never heard the gospel message before and reawakening the faith in those who have.
- A growth in people being received into the Church within the parish.
- A greater sense of confidence and joyful living out of our Catholic faith, as well as lay leadership within the parish.

What happens next?

As we will be running Alpha for the first time in this parish, I invite current parishioners to take part and experience it, and for you to make a personal invitation to any spouses or adult family members who are not engaged with Mass or the Church to join you in attending!

Please begin by praying for the success of this Alpha course, especially asking the Holy Spirit to be at work in this new opportunity for the parish and for hearts to grow in faith, hope, love, joy and peace.



THIS IS TO FORMALLY INVITE ALL THE YOUTH (18+) TO THE FIRST MEETING AND BURNS SUPPER OF THE YEAR. PLEASE TRY TO BE THERE AND REGISTER WITH THE CODE ON DISPLAY. GOD BLESS YOU.

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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

11am 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

Birthday Celebrations; 3rd Sunday of the month

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession

St Ninian; Saturday 4.15 to 4.45pm.

St. Joseph; Saturday 10.30am.

Do You Know?

how you can prepare well to celebrate the Holy Mass?

- ✓ Pray during the week, asking God to prepare your heart for Sunday Mass
- ✓ Read the Sunday Scripture readings ahead of time
- ✓ Reflect on your life and seek forgiveness for your sins
- ✓ Go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation when needed
- ✓ Plan to arrive at church early to settle into prayer
- ✓ Quiet your mind and set aside distractions
- ✓ Dress modestly and respectfully for worship
- ✓ Bring your intentions, struggles, and thanksgiving to the altar
- ✓ Participate fully by listening, responding, singing, and praying
- ✓ Receive the Eucharist with faith, reverence, and gratitude
- ✓ Leave Mass renewed and ready to live what you have celebrated

Sunday 18 January 2026

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Readings at Mass

First reading

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

'I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'

And now the LORD says,

he who formed me from the womb to be his servant,

to bring Jacob back to him,

and that Israel might be gathered to him –

for I am honoured in the eyes of the LORD,

and my God has become my strength –

he says:

'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant

to raise up the tribes of Jacob

and to bring back the preserved of Israel;

I will make you as a light for the nations,

that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 40(39):2, 4ab. 7-8a. 8b-9. 10. R8a, 9a

Behold, I have come, Lord, to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the LORD,
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.

Behold, I have come, Lord, to do your will.

You delight not in sacrifice and offering,
but in an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and sin offering.
Then I said, 'Behold, I have come.'

Behold, I have come, Lord, to do your will.

In the scroll of the book it stands written of me:
'I delight to do your will, O my God;
your instruction lies deep within me.'

Behold, I have come, Lord, to do your will.

Your uprightness I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O LORD.

Behold, I have come, Lord, to do your will.

Second reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

'Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.'

Paul, called by the will of God to be an Apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

John 1:14a, 12a

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us;
to all who did receive him,
he gave the authority to become children of God.
Alleluia.

Gospel

John 1:29-34

'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.'

At that time: John saw Jesus coming towards him, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me." I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptising with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John bore witness: 'I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptise with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptises with the Holy Spirit." And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.'

This Sunday, the priest will be using;

Sunday Preface II

Eucharistic Prayer III

BIDDING PRAYERS

Celebrant:

My brothers and sisters, trusting in God who listens to the cry of His people and of all creation, let us bring our prayers before Him.

For the Church throughout the world:

That she may remain faithful to Christ, courageous in proclaiming the Gospel, and attentive to the needs of the poor and the care of creation.

Lord, hear us.

For world leaders and those in authority:

That they may work for peace, justice, and the protection of human life, and take responsible action to safeguard our common home.

Lord, hear us.

For care of creation:

That we may recognise the earth as God's gift, grow in respect for nature, reduce harm to the environment, and live as responsible stewards for future generations.

Lord, hear us.

For the sick, the suffering, and those facing hardship:

That God may grant them healing, strength, and hope, and that they may be supported by loving and compassionate hearts.

Lord, hear us.

For our parish community:

That we may grow in faith, unity, and generosity, actively participating in the life of the Church and caring for one another.

Lord, hear us.

For the faithful departed:

That all who have died especially, George Adam, Caroline Price, William Martin, John Walker, may be welcomed into the joy of eternal life with God.

Lord, hear us.

Celebrant:

Heavenly Father, receive these prayers we offer with faith and humility. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Reflection on the Readings

God reveals His salvation by calling, sending, and pointing—calling us before we are ready, sending us beyond our limits, and inviting us to point others to Christ, the Lamb of God.

In today's readings, we encounter a God who reveals, sends, and saves in ways that stretch our expectations.

In the first reading from Isaiah, the servant is called from the womb and entrusted with a mission that seems too large: not only to restore Israel, but to become "a light to the nations." God's response is striking: "*It is too small a thing*" to limit His salvation to one people. God always thinks bigger than our fears, wider than our comfort zones. What appears impossible to us is precisely where God's glory is revealed.

The Gospel shows us how this mission is fulfilled. John the Baptist does not draw attention to himself. Instead, he points and says, "Behold, the Lamb of God." John's greatness lies not in being the light, but in bearing witness to the Light. He recognises Jesus as the one who takes away the sin of the world and baptises with the Holy Spirit. John teaches us that faith begins with recognition and grows through witness.

Together, these readings remind us that Christianity is not about self-promotion, but self-giving. We are called, like the servant and like John, to allow God to work through us so that others may encounter Christ.

Each of us, by baptism, shares in this mission. Our lives—through words, actions, and quiet faithfulness—are meant to point beyond ourselves to Jesus. When we live as light, others begin to see the Lamb. And when Christ is revealed, salvation reaches "to the ends of the earth."

Pray for the Sick

Please pray for those who are sick at home or in hospital – Stuart Findlay, Sally Helen Hamm and Dominic Roberts-Brown, Bill Buttars, Bishop Stephen Robson, May McGeary, Catherine Reid, Lusia, Brian Murphy, Lizzie Ward, Monsignor Basil O'Sullivan, Betty Saunders Pamela Herron, Maureen Walker, Kevin Veal, Margaret Mackie, Elinor Crighton, Fletcher Ditchburn, Margaret Forsyth, Bill Martin, Fr Malcolm Hutchison, Mary Clark, Bella Shaw, Angela Keith, Cecilia McCarten, Alan Newell, Albert Soave, Bethany Williamson, Irene McKay, Saul Sangster, Rena Samson, 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.**

Pray for the Dead: Please pray for those who have died and gone before us in faith - for the souls of George Adam, Caroline Price, William Martin, John Walker, Frank Carrie and Peter Angus, who have died recently, and for the souls of Malcolm MacPherson,

Elizabeth Thomson, Deacon Tom Clark, Guido Falcione, Mgr John Canon Harty, Maryellen Pennycook and Marlene Kenny, whose anniversaries occur around this time. **May God grant them, and the souls of all the faithful departed, eternal rest.**

Announcements



1. Today we pray for all our parishioners born in the month of January. May the good Lord grant you many more years of happiness and fulfillment through Christ our Lord, Amen.

2. This is to remind us of the joint meeting of the parish pastoral council of both st Ninian and st Joseph parishes coming up on the 21st of January 2026 at st ninian's parish hall at 7pm. Please all the members are expected to be there. New members are welcome.

ST JOSEPH

ST JOSEPH'S – PETER ANGUS R.I.P.

The funeral arrangements have now been finalised by the family and are as follows:

Reception of Remains on Monday 2 February at 5.00pm.

Requiem Mass on Tuesday 3 February at 10.00am.

Interment there-after at Balgay Cemetery, arriving Glamis Road entrance around 11.00am.

Celebrant for the Requiem Mass will be Canon Kevin Golden. Fr Michael Ngobili will concelebrate.

ST JOSEPH'S – FRANK CARRIE R.I.P.

It is with great sadness that we learnt of the death of one of our beloved parishioners Frank Carrie, on Tuesday 13 January 2026. We extend our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Frank, as well as our love and prayers.

Saints of God, come to his aid!

Come to meet him, angels of the Lord!

Receive his soul and present him to God the most High.

Funeral arrangements will be communicated shortly.

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ST JOSEPH'S – 200 CLUB 2026 – JANUARY DRAW

Congratulations to the winners of the January draw: