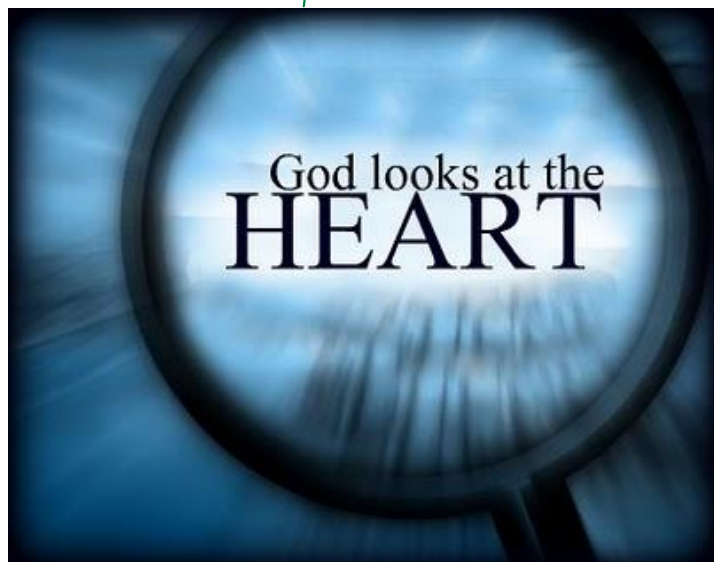


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RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

EVERYONE WHO IS BAPTISED IS WELCOME

to share with us in Communion at all services. There is no need to be a member of the Episcopal Church.

Please feel free to celebrate with us.

If you are not baptised or would prefer, you are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing (simply come forward with hands together and head bowed as a sign to the priest).

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Readers & Intercessors

St J : Gail S / Mairi M / Diana M / Jackie M

St A : Simon S / Marjorie T / Ramsay M / Heather I

+ The First Reading : Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9

+ Psalm 15

One who is just

will live in the presence of the Lord.

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Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

who may abide upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads a blameless life

and does what is right,

who speaks the truth from his heart.

One who is just

will live in the presence of the Lord.

There is no guile upon his tongue;

he does no evil to his friend;

he does not heap contempt upon his neighbour.

One who is just

will live in the presence of the Lord.

In his sight the wicked is rejected,

but he honours those who fear the Lord.

He has sworn to do no wrong

and does not take back his word.

One who is just

will live in the presence of the Lord.

He does not give his money in hope of gain,

nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

Whoever does these things

shall never be overthrown.

One who is just

will live in the presence of the Lord.

+ Second Reading : James 1:17-27

Gradual Hymn/Acclamation

+ THE HOLY GOSPEL : Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

PRAYER REQUESTS

For grace to be Jesus' hands, feet, voice, eyes & heart in the world...that we all may LIVE and BE the GOOD NEWS.

OUR WORLD

For justice and peace in the Holy Land and, indeed, the world over. For an end to hatred in all its forms. For our fellow Christians and all who are persecuted for their faith.

OUR COMMUNION

Pray for the peace and unity of the Church. Pray for our brothers and sisters of the Church of South America : Archbishop Gregory James Venables.

OUR DIOCESE

For Mark, our Bishop and for our brothers and sisters of St Christopher's Chapel & Gordonstoun School. Pray for our sister Dioceses (Quebec, Canada & Tuam, Killala and Achonry, Ireland).

OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY

FAMILY & FRIENDS

For Ann. For Loretta & loved ones. For A. For Cameron M., Diana S. For R. For Teenie. For Ann & Ray N. For Marjorie T. For Tom McC. For Mark W & loved ones. For Janet S as she studies for ordination. For Louise & Hayden J. For those whose relationships / marriages are struggling. Pray for our Sunday Club in St Regulus'. For our Teen Gatherings. For Karen & her family in Guatemala. For James and his work in Biblical translation in Nigeria. For all we know to be in need of our prayers.

A DAILY PRAYER for the WEEK

Through the gospel, the Lord Jesus calls us to share in his glory. Let us make our prayer with him to our heavenly Father.

– *Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

We pray for all nations: that they may seek the way that leads to peace, that human rights and freedom may be everywhere respected, and that the world's resources may be generously shared.

– *Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

We pray for the Church: that her leaders may be faithful ministers of your word, that all her members may be strong in faith and hope and that you may be recognized in the love she bears to all.

– *Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

We pray for our families, and the community in which we live: that we may find you in them.

– *Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

We pray for ourselves: that in the coming week we may serve others in our work, and find peace when we rest.

– *Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

Help us to bring your compassion to the poor, the sick, the lonely, the unloved and all in their need; lead us to find you in the coming week.

– *Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

We pray for the faithful departed: that through your mercy they may rest in peace.

– *Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

In a moment of silence, call to mind the concerns of your own heart and lift them up to God.

Conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY

12:15pm : Eucharist in Inverness Cathedral
(St Gregory the Great)

TUESDAY

3:30 – 6pm : Fr Mel with Cromarty piperlings
7:00pm : Eucharist in St Regulus'

WEDNESDAY

10:00am-1:00pm : CHARITY SHOP
10:00am : Rectory Study Group
3:30 – 6pm : Fr Mel with Fortrose & Munloch
Piperlings

THURSDAY

10:00am : Eucharist in St Andrew's
2:15pm : Assembly Avoch Primary
3:30- 6pm : Fr Mel with Fortrose piperlings

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

10:00am – 1:00pm : CHARITY SHOP
10:00am : Eucharist in St Andrew's
(Birth of the Blessed Virgin)

NEXT SUNDAY : 9 SEPTEMBER

PENTECOST 16

EUCCHARIST

8am & 11:30am in St Andrew's (Fr Mel)

9:45am in St Regulus' (Fr Mel)

9:45am in St John's (Fr Arthur)

EVENSONG

6:30pm in St Andrew's

Next Week's Readers & Intercessors

(Is 35:4-7a / Ps 146 / Jas 2:1-17 / Mk 7:24-37)

St J : St J : Susanna L / Jackie M / Ann D / Gill P

St A : Joan D / Ann B / Alison B / Joan D

HOLY DAYS this WEEK

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8 September

A legend dating from the second century tells this story about the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

Once upon a time there was a Jewish couple named Jo'-a-chim and Anne. They were elderly, and their neighbours reproached them for not having any children. But God heard Anne's laments and sent an angel to tell her: "You shall conceive and bear, and your offspring shall be spoken of in all the world." Anne responded: "As the Lord my God lives, if I bear a child, whether male or female, I will bring it as a gift to the Lord my God, and it shall serve him all the days of its life."

And so it came to pass that Anne conceived; and when the time was fulfilled, she gave birth to a daughter and named her Mary. Both parents vowed to dedicate their child to the service of God, and when she was three years old they presented her in the temple at Jerusalem. "And the high priest placed Mary on the third step of the altar, and the Lord God put grace upon the child, and she danced for joy with her feet, and the whole house of Israel loved her."

Such is the legend of the nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and we continue to tell the story because it bears witness to a deeper truth of faith — that Mary herself was the daughter of Israel's hope and the child whose own offspring would fulfill the longing of the whole family of creation.

