

Our Lady and St. Joseph, Kirkwall

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4th. SUNDAY OF YEAR B

29th. January, 2012

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	29 January	4th. Sunday of Year (B)
	11.00.	HOLY MASS
MONDAY	30 January	Feria (Week 4, Year 2)
	12.00.noon	HOLY MASS
TUESDAY	31 January	St. John Bosco
	10.00.	HOLY MASS
WEDNESDAY	1 February	Feria
	12.00.noon	HOLY MASS
THURSDAY	2 February	The Presentation of the Lord
NB.	18.00.	HOLY MASS
FRIDAY	3 February	Feria
	12.00.noon	HOLY MASS
SATURDAY	4 February	B.V.M.
	12.00.noon	HOLY MASS
SUNDAY	5 February	5th. Sunday of Year (B)
	11.00.	HOLY MASS

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Sat. 11.30.-11.55.

CONFESSIONS: Sun.10.30.-10.50am, Mon. and Sat.11.30-11.55.

ROSARY: Monday, 11.30.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

Please pray for those recently dead and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially
Fr. Herbert Bamber SJ.(1992); William Petrie(2000);
Kathie Newlands(2005); Alice Moore(2009.)

Please pray for the **Sick and Housebound** especially
Rosie Coombes, Paul Elmy, Robin Greene,
David Headridge, Chrissie Ravey, Gordon Ritchie.

POPE BENEDICT'S general prayer intention for January is: "That the victims of natural disasters may receive the spiritual and material comfort they need to rebuild their lives". His mission intention is: "That the dedication of Christians to peace may bear witness to the name of Christ before all men and women of good will".

REFLECTIONS ON THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE MASS (cont.)

"Do this in memory of me".

In the Eucharistic Prayer the whole Church joins with Jesus who offers the perfect act of worship to his Father. This is the centre of our worship and the gateway to eternity. It is so important that we all participate fully and consciously in this great action of the Mass. To help us there are parts of the Prayer for both priest and people. The ministry of the priest is essential as he draws his priesthood from Jesus the head of the Body, which is the Church, and its great High Priest. At the same time all members of the Church share in Jesus' priestly dignity. By our Baptism we are all part of a 'royal priesthood'. The priest leads us in the Eucharistic Prayer and says the words of Jesus as bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. We join in by making the prayer our own in heart and mind. There are words for everyone to sing or say. We have the 'Holy, holy' which reminds us that our prayer is joined to heaven's worship. There is the Acclamation as we proclaim Jesus' Death and Resurrection and look forward to our being with him for ever. The priest raises the Host and Chalice in offering during the 'through him and with him' at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer and we proclaim our great 'Amen' to say we share in the offering and its promise of everlasting life. Do you ever wish you could have been there? At every Mass you are.

HYMN BOOKS Thanks to a parishioner who is in the process of making markers for all the hymn books. Please leave the markers in the books.

ETHIOPIAD Message from Val - Thank you to everyone who bought my cards both at Christmas and throughout the year. The following amounts were raised: Christmas Cards, £97.60. Other cards and Cycle Orkney (throughout the year), £311.86. Total raised £409.46.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION last week was £177.49 Many thanks.

GIFT AID SCHEME Are you a tax-payer? Have you ever thought of 'Gift Aiding' your regular contributions to the Parish? (Your weekly offering?) It will mean no extra cost to yourself but a percentage of the money that you give can be claimed back from the taxman for the parish. Last year the parish benefited by £1312, being the amount of tax reclaimed from the Inland Revenue. As you can see it helps the parish finances considerably. For further details please see Maurice Ward. All personal information given will be treated in the strictest confidence. Many thanks to those of you who are already in the Gift Aid Scheme.