

## Parish Prayer

God our **Father**, You call us to walk together as one family of faith on a shared journey with Christ your **Son**. Pour out your **Holy Spirit** upon us, that we may be led in all we do by wisdom, courage, and grace.

Strengthen the bond of **love and unity** within our parish. Shape our hearts through the **gospel message of Christ**, and renew us each time we gather at the **Eucharistic table**, nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son.

Bless this vibrant people of God—your people from many cultures, stories, and gifts. May every ministry, every act of service, and every stewardship offered in your name build up the Church and **reveal your presence among us**.

As we journey hand-in-hand through life, keep us faithful, joyful, and attentive to your call. Make us a community where all are welcomed, all are valued, and all are drawn closer to you. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Inspired by our Parish anniversary celebrations & drawn from our parish vision. 22/5/26)

### ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

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**Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals:** Please make appointment with Priest before any arrangements are made.

Diocese of Dunkeld Scottish Charity No:SC00810

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**A team of vibrant Welcomers in St. Luan's and St. Stephen's**

**Wishing you and your loved ones a lovely Sunday-Fr. Gregory**

**Tear this off please:**... Are you going into the hospital? Do you have someone going into the hospital? Would you like him/her/you to be visited with communion, please fill the form below and return to Fr. Gregory.  
Name:.....Hospital:..... Date: .....

Please submit all items for the parish bulletin by 6.00 p.m. on Thursday each week.

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## St. Stephen's R C Church

**8 Bank Street, Blairgowrie Ph10 6DE. Ph. 01250872171**

St. Luan's RC Alyth.

**The Most Holy Trinity—Solemnity Yr A 30/5/2026**

**Parish website:** <https://www.st-stephens-blairgowrie.org.uk/>

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*Warm Welcome to all our Parishioners and visitors.*

*Whether you are visiting our parish or just moved into the area, please feel very welcome... thanks.*

***Our Vision:** To be a welcoming and participating Catholic community on a journey, striving to be led by the Spirit, strengthened by a bond of love and unity, guided by the gospel message of Christ, refreshed and nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ at the Eucharistic table. Enriched by a vibrant people of God from diverse backgrounds and supported by many gifts employed in various ministries and stewardships, we journey together hand-in-hand through life as a community.*

### Parish diary: Week beginning from 30/5/26

**The Most Holy Trinity: Solemnity. The Visit of Bishop McKenzie for the Confirmation of our Boys and Girls.**

**Saturday+** Vigil Mass of Sunday: 5.30pm St. Stephen's with  
**Sunday** + Mass at 9.30 am. in St. Luan's  
+ Mass at 11.00 am St. Stephen's

**Mon:** Chaplaincy/Masses at 10.15am/12.15pm/1.30pm and all day surgery in HMP Glenochil Prisons

**Tues:** 10.00am Holy Mass at St. Step's

**Wed:** 10.00am Holy Mass at St. Luan's **St. Charles Lwanga**  
6.00pm: **Rosary, adoration** at St. Stephens  
7.00pm **Holy mass for the sick** at St. Stephen's

**Thurs:**

**Frid:** 10.00am. Holy Mass at St. Stephen's. **St Boniface Most Holy Body and Blood—Solemnity.**

+ Vigil Mass of Sunday: 5.30pm St. Steph's

+ 9.30 am. Holy Mass in St Luan's

+ 11.00 am. Holy Mass in St. Stephen's Blairgowrie

**This Week's Message in a Glance:** 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

**Kindly remember also those on our prayer list:** Michael Rolls, Neil McDowall, Pam McKenna, Mary and George Flockhart, Snooky Marshall, Maud McGinn, Cipriano and Carmelita, Tom O'Malley, Giles Umunna and Tony Donnan, Lisa Robertson, Philip Jackson, Morag McInnes.



"The central mystery of Christian faith and life is the mystery of the Most Blessed Trinity."

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**Diocese of Dunkeld Scottish Charity No:**

**Warm welcome to Bishop Andrew McKenzie who is visiting us this weekend to celebrate the Vigil mass and confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on 15 of our Boys and Girls.**

They include: Eilidh, Olivia, Leah, Alex, Karolina, Molly, Lena, Marcel, TJ, Donald, Finlay, Dominik, Kevin, Laura and Maciek. Please keep them in your prayers. There will be tea and coffee at the lower hall after the mass of Confirmation and everyone is invited. Thanks.

Reflection of the week. The Most Holy Trinity, the revelation of the mystery of God's inner life. This mystery will remain for all of us as long as we live in this world, even though the veil which covers it is lifted ever so little. Our Bible assures us that not only is our God a personal God, but God exists as three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, while remaining one God. Although we cannot even begin to give a logical explanation for this, our faith enables us in some small measure to experience the presence of God. How this can happen is stated by St Augustine in a most beautiful passage from his "Confessions" (p. 211). "What do I love when I love my God?" he asks. God's reaching down to us must be answered by the up-reach of our soul to God. To succeed in this we must break free from the sinful pursuits which hold us captive.

**Programmes leading up to the Joint Anniversary Celebrations of St. Stephen's 175th and St. Luan's 125th on the 25th/26th June**

**Saturday 30th May,** 5.30pm Vigil Mass-----Conferment of the Sacrament of Confirmation to 15 Boys and Girls of our parish by the Bishop, Rt. Rev. Andrew McKenzie

**Sunday 7th June** 11.00am ----First Holy Communion to 7 Boys and Girls in St. Stephen's Blairgowrie

**Friday 12th June** 7.00pm -----Anniversary Lecture in St. Stephen's Blairgowrie.

Theme: Catholicism and Scottish Heritage from the Middle Ages. By Kylie Murray. A British Academy Postdoctoral Fellowship at Balliol College, Oxford and Author of 'The Making of the Scottish Dream - Vision'.

**Friday 19th June** 5.00pm -7.00pm: Exhibition of Elizabeth Wang's Theological - Scriptural Impressionistic and Realistic Art Work in St. Stephen's Hall.

**Thursday 25th June** 6.00pm, 125th Anniversary Celebration of St. Luan's RC Church Alyth followed by a civic reception at the Airlie Hall

**Friday 26th June** 5.30pm, 175th Anniversary Celebration of St. Stephen's RC Church Blairgowrie followed by a Civic reception in the Parish Hall. **Sunday 28th June:** Draw for the Anniversary Ham-

Mgr. Basil O'Sullivan celebrates his 70th Anniversary of Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood. For your information, and diary, three celebration Masses are scheduled. Friday 14 August at 1800 hrs in The Holy Family Catholic Church, Dunblane. Please contact Fr. Charles Angelo if you'd like to attend the celebration. Pls keep him in your prayers.

Pls keep also in your prayers **our Candidates for Confirmation: 15 Boys and Girls**

**Our Candidates for First Holy Communion:**

**Our adults candidates preparing to be baptised/received into the Catholic Church at Easter Next Year:**

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Adoration in St. Stephen's, every Wed. 6.00pm-7.00pm. 'The Eucharist is that love which surpasses all loves in Heaven and on earth.' - St. Bernard. Please feel free to join us for adoration.



The Eucharist: As food, do I feel nourished after holy communion? Do I feel a sense of being blessed and graced at the end of each Mass? As sacrifice, what have I offered as part of the sacrifice? As communion, Has the Mass strengthened my identity as a member of this worshipping community? As thanksgiving, do I give thanks always.



Thanks.

--Details of Parish account: Name: St. Stephens RC Blairgowrie. Account Number: 28075068; Sort Code: 80-22-60. **Last Sund offertory collection: £563.13** Many thanks for your support to the parish. \*Figures exclude takings from standing orders, bank transfers and direct debits. Comprehensive Parish Financial Audits and Accounts are published on the Notice Board. Many thanks .

Many prisoners in HMP Perth and Glenochil are working hard to rebuild their lives, making peace with themselves, choosing the part of reconciliation, getting baptised, confirmed and receiving communion. The need materials to prepare for the sacraments, rosaries, prayer books etc if you feel drawn to support them, please reach out to Fr. Greg. Ta.



**Today/Coming Programmes and Events of the Parish:**

\*31st May, Building maintenance Fund; \*7th June, The Day of Life; 28th June, Building maintenance Fund; 12th July, Peter's Pence; 26th July, Building maintenance Fund; 9th August, The Apostleship of the Sea; 30th August, Building maintenance Fund; 13th September, Bishop's Mensal Fund; 27th September, Building maintenance Fund, 18th October, The Sick and Retired Priest's Fund & Mission Sunday; 25th October, Building maintenance Fund; 29th November, Building maintenance Fund; 13th December, Catholic Education Service & Poor Mission Fund; 27th December Building maintenance Fund.

\*7th June 2026 First Holy Communion; \*25th/26th June Joint Anniversary Celebrations for St. Luan's and St. Stephen's.

You are never alone: For a shared a prayer, or just have someone listen to you, a candle lit for you or yours, have a mass offered for your intention or that of a loved one living or dead, please speak to the priest. Thanks St. Steph's Parish Library. Selection of Books on: Spirituality/Prayer, Lives of Saints/Martyr, Theology, History/Psychology, Pilgrimage sites. Pls feel free to borrow any from the shelves in the lower hall and return a week after use. Thanks.

Tea/Coffee, Everyone is welcome to tea and coffee served in the Lower Hall after 11.00am mass in St. Stephens every Sunday morning after 11.00am mass.

