



Dear Friends,
 please **Rejoice** this Sunday as we share the Eucharist together that God is **generous**. It is **He** who is the landowner in the Gospel parable; he who chooses to pay the last comer as much as the early workers. *"Why be envious because I am generous?"* says the Lord. We are called to be generous, "prodigal" with our love and mercy, as the Father is to us.

The hymn "Our Father, we have wandered" (set to Bach's *Passion Chorale*) which will be sung at some of our Masses this Sunday, invites us to come home, out of exile and to receive the gifts of "calf, robe and ring" which that prodigal Father had all ready as he waited longingly for the return of the wayward son.



**Our Father, we have wandered
 and hidden from your face,
 in foolishness have squandered
 your legacy of grace.
 But now, in exile dwelling,
 we rise with fear and shame,
 as distant but compelling,
 we hear you call our name.**

**And now at length discerning
 the evil that we do,
 behold us Lord, returning
 with hope and trust to you.
 In haste you come to meet us
 and home rejoicing bring.
 In gladness there to greet us
 with calf and robe and ring.**



**Do you come to Mass
 but feel unable to
 come forward for Holy
 Communion?**

Have you perhaps been told you're not allowed to come to Holy Communion for some reason, or has it just been so long, or are you perhaps worried that you've not been to Confession in a long time?

Sometimes people deprive themselves of the Eucharistic food when there is actually no canonical reason for them to do so, and all that is needed is a chance to put things straight and be reassured.

If you find yourself in this position, please do come and speak to me in complete confidence; it may well be that your access to the Eucharist in Holy Communion can begin again. Kevin.

Our Prayers for the sick: Bishop Stephen Robson, Monsignor Basil O'Sullivan, Margaret Caullay, Heather Moffit, Sister Attracta, Susan McKay, Father John Mundaackal, Norman Hadden, Ray Conchie, Marie Manunga, Margaret McMenemy, Karen Dammer, Jackey Forrest-Moore, Catherine Gallacher;
for those who have died recently: Patrick Ferrie, David Paine, Michael Briggs, Robbie Loffreda;
and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Joseph McCartan, Jimmy Golden, Catherine Pandolfi, Thomas Ferrie, Maureen Graham, Julia Summers, David Will, Raymund Moore, John Joseph Carlin, Teresa Carlin, William Rackham, Domenica Phipps, Jean Phipps, Isabella Ritchie; Tom McGovern and Nancy McGovern, Matthew Finnigan and Bert Finnigan, Muriel Whitecross, Joseph Dillon Junior, Jean Money, Patricia Hosie, Joseph Dickson, Bunty Reilly, Anthony Gourlay, Ralph McCann, Mary Noonan, John McQueen, George Hedderwick, Thomas McBride.

Stewarding at the Cathedral
 We really do need more stewards/welcomers at the Cathedral. Please would you consider doing this and make yourself known to one of the stewards at whichever Sunday Mass you attend.
 For such large congregations it is important for safety as well as being a basic principle of hospitality that we have enough stewards and welcomers. One of our stewards ended up doing the reading, taking the collection and holding the bucket at the end of Mass recently as there were only two stewards! Please consider this ministry.



Hospital Chaplaincy and Visitation
 If you or a loved one is in hospital — Ninewells, RVH, Roxburghe House and wish a visit, the chaplain can be contacted by the mobile phone [07821 624124] or through the hospital switchboard on 01382 660111.

OCTOBER
 We shall mark the month of the Rosary in the Cathedral by reciting the Rosary and October Devotions before the 1pm Mass on Tuesdays and Fridays from Tuesday 3 October.
 There will be October devotions and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary's, Forebank on Sunday 8 October at 4pm and in Our Lady of Good Counsel on Sunday 15 October at 4pm.