

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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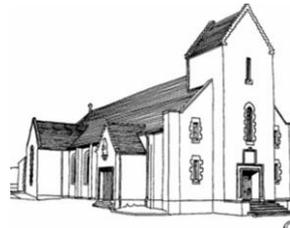
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CHURCH OF THE HOLY NAME, OAKLEY

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RESPONSE FOR THE SUNDAY MASS AND MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

PSALM	May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	<i>Alleluia, alleluia!</i> Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.'

Day	Time	Date	Intention
SUNDAY	10am	10	People of the Parish & Andrew McMahon R.I.P
MON	10am	11	Bridie Dunsmore R.I.P & Bill and Tommy Clark R.I.P
TUES	10am	12	Pat Sweeney R.I.P & James Mair R.I.P
WED	10am	13	Nellie Breen R.I.P & Betty McWilliams R.I.P
THURS	10am	14	Mike Aitken & George Armitth R.I.P
FRIDAY	10am	15	Special Intention & Bridie Dunsmore R.I.P
SAT	10am	16	Daniel Boyle R.I.P & Elizabeth Farnes R.I.P
SUNDAY	10am	17	People of the Parish & Douglas MacIntosh R.I.P

Mass Intentions

Mass is still celebrated daily by Fr Chris in the Lady Chapel of St. Margaret's Church and by Fr Augustus in the oratory of the presbytery. Fr Chris will celebrate for the 1st intention listed and Fr Augustus the 2nd. If you wish a Mass celebrated for someone who has died, for an anniversary or any other intention, please just email or phone in the details and they can still be arranged.

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Pat Sweeney and Hamish Donaldson.

We pray for all who are sick, suffering, anxious and alone at this time. Please remember Fr Tommy Greenan, one of our retired priests, who has contracted Covid-19. We pray for all NHS staff and all who deliver care and essential services at this time.

DEAR FRIENDS,

We do a bit of time travelling in this Sunday's gospel and travel back to the Last Supper. That's not surprising since, as Christians, we read and reflect on the scriptures in the light of the resurrection of Jesus.

This passage comes from the farewell discourse of Jesus in St John's Gospel, by far the longest speech that he makes in all of the gospels. The last words of a person carry particular significance and weight. None more so than these words of Jesus spoken on the night before he died. We think we know them well; unfortunately this makes us give them less attention than we should.

What these words contain is remarkable.

Gurus, spiritual leaders, philosophers and the like will speak of searching for the truth, of living an authentic and fulfilled life. They may well describe their method for achieving these common human goals as a way, their particular way. What is remarkable about the words of Jesus is that he totally identifies himself as being the Way, the Truth and the Life. Here in this person, all of humanity can find what we look for; the key to our existence and the means of understanding it.

How can this be?

Because in Jesus we encounter the image of the invisible God: "If you know me, you know my Father too."

He says to Philip, "To have seen me is to have seen the Father."

A remarkable claim indeed (we might say unprecedented in these times!). In this human face, we see the face of God. In coming to know him, we come to know God in His fullness. Our lifelong task is to become more and more like him. In our Eucharistic celebration, which we are sadly deprived of at the moment, we open ourselves up to the transforming power of the Risen Christ. In becoming more like him, in growing in his image, we carry on his work: "I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father."

This is truly astounding.

How can we do even greater works than Jesus?

Jesus hints at the answer: he is going to the Father.

His sacrifice on the Cross is the culmination of his life of obedience to the Father and it brings universal significance to his work. In returning to the Father he sends the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit that floods the earth and continues the great works of Jesus in the lives of believers, including our own lives and even at this time.

Remember: "you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

With prayers and best wishes for the coming week,

Fr Chris & Fr Augustus

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

'My Jesus, I Believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

Although You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely
to You;

never permit me to be separated from You.'

PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

At this time, there is a weekly ecumenical call to prayer on Sundays at 7pm.

Thirteen Christian churches and organisations are taking part for the fourth consecutive week, with people urged to place a candle in their window at that time. We will publish details for this Sunday's prayer on our social media and website when we receive it.

Please see <https://archedinburgh.org/churches-join-in-prayer-for-sunday-evening/>

STRONG IN THE FACE OF TRIBULATION

The Dicastery for Communication of the Holy See has made available a free book 'Strong in the Face of Tribulation', that contains prayers, supplications and the Holy Father's homilies.

Its purpose is to offer "a support in a time of trial" and you may find it helpful. It can be read/downloaded at:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/content/dam/lev/forti-nella-tribolazione/pdf/eng/strong-in-tribulation.-20042020.pdf>

The Church of England has produced a very useful collection of prayers for this time, including prayers with children.

A PDF can be downloaded at

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2020-04/Prayer%20Book%20Digital%202020April.pdf>

R.C.I.A .

Because of the suspension of public worship, the class of 2020 have been unable to complete their journey into full communion with the Catholic Church. It is still too early to set a date for this to happen. Please continue to keep our candidates in your prayers.

If anyone is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith when the RCIA restarts after the summer (in some shape or form!) please contact Fr Heenan or George Toal at georgetoal@btinternet.com

LIVESTREAM

As you are aware, we have experienced problems with the livestreaming of Masses due to circumstances beyond our control. Mike Pendlowski and Iain Little have been investigating the various options open to us.

We have decided to move to a company called MCNMedia and they will host our livestreaming via their own servers. We are expecting a visit from their engineer soon, but it may not be until next week that this visit takes place. Once the engineer comes, it should only take about 1 hour to sort out. This should be done by 17th May but may be done sooner.

Thanks for your patience and we will keep you informed by email and the website about progress.

PARISH FINANCES

STANDING ORDERS

Thanks to all of you who have completed standing order forms or set up internet banking donations to support your parish.

Please, do not put yourself into any hardship.

The Bank account details are

- St Margaret's: sort code: 80 06 55 account number 00720303.
- Holy Name: sort code 83 33 00 account number 00176355.

The Archdiocese has set up a way to donate online using your debit or credit card. Donations can also be made electronically by using the following secure links:

For St Margaret's, Dunfermline

https://donor.secure-operations.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086319&type=2&reference=DUNMA&amount=

For Holy Name, Oakley

https://donor.secure-operations.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086319&type=2&reference=OAKLE&amount=

PARISH-BASED CHARITIES

S.V.P.

If you are able to make a donation to the S.V.P to help ongoing support to those locally in need by internet banking, their bank details are:
Bank of Scotland - Sort Code 800655 - Account number: 00768139

ONE WORLD GROUP

The parishes via the One World Group (OWG) are the Mary's Meals (MM) sponsor of Geveh Fanchee School in Liberia.

We also support a number of other charities on an ad hoc basis including local charities Haiti Help and EMMS (Water Ambulance on Lake Malawi).

Disaster Appeals by SCIAF, MM and Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) are also addressed.

These all require funds which before COVID 19 were raised via Saturday coffee mornings, family breakfasts after 9:00 Sunday Mass and other occasional events. All this has now stopped and so we have no income. Fr Chris has pledged to support from parish funds to keep this vital work going and the St Margaret's Men's Group have also pledged support on request. The sponsorship of the school is therefore covered but it is vital that our General Fund is kept active to support the other charities who have been hit hard by COVID 19.

If you would like to support the work of the OWG please send donations to "St Margaret's One World Group" by cheque to Maureen Japp, 49 Scotland Drive, Dunfermline. KY12 7TD.

Mark cheques 'Mary's Meals' or 'General Fund' and if an existing OWG Gift Aider append 'GA' as a reminder to Maureen. If you have an OWG Gift-Aided Mary's Meals Box please send its value to Maureen by cheque in the same way.

The OWG is a registered charity in its own right and receives some 20% of its income from Gift-Aided donations.

It is critical that Maureen keeps track of these donations hence the rather clunky cheque system, we continue to look for other ways of donating via the Internet.

If you would like to talk about the work of the OWG please feel free to ring David on 01383 872739 or e-mail dhambleyuk@yahoo.co.uk.

SCIAF WEE BOX

If you are wondering about your Wee Box and how to get the money to SCIAF, here are some solutions:



1. Give online

Quick and easy, make your donation by going to www.sciaf.org.uk

If you've been saving money in your WEE BOX, simply count up how much you've collected and donate that amount.

2. Donate by phone

Call **0141 354 5555** or **0141 354 5508** and make your donation by debit or credit card. They can take your call Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

3. Post your donation

Place your donation in an envelope addressed **FREEPOST SCIAF**.

You can also use the full postal address *SCIAF, 7 West Nile Street, Glasgow, G1 2PR* and add a stamp (saves them more money!)

Please include a small note with WEE BOX 2020 written on it so we know it's for this year's WEE BOX appeal.

Although the office itself is currently closed your donation will still reach them. However they may not be able to confirm receipt and thank you for your gift until they reopen the office.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR THIS WEEK: POST-LOCKDOWN PLAN 1

- ORDERED NEW CHURCH PEWS!



USEFUL WEB ADDRESSES

- **Parish website:** www.stmargaretsdunfermline.co.uk
- **Parish email list:** If you aren't receiving the weekly newsletter by email, please send an email to st.margaretdunfermline@gmail.com
- **Facebook page:** @stmargaretpilgrimage
- **Twitter:** @StMargaretpilg1
- **Archdiocesan website:** www.archedinburgh.org
- **Sacred Space** prayer resources: www.sacredspace.ie
- **Readings at Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours:** www.universalis.com

During this time with public Masses suspended and churches closed, **Magnificat** is offering **free** access to the online version of their monthly booklet. It's a good resource with daily prayers, readings, lives of the saints and much more. Check it out at: www.magnificat.com/free

OTHER SITES:

Fife voluntary action: their website also provides a lot of useful info.
<https://www.fva.org/>

<p><u>Prescription Delivery</u> Fife Voluntary Action Web: fva.org Email: prescriptions@fva.org Call: 0800 389 6046</p> 	<p><u>Shopping Delivery</u> Helping Hand Web: fva.org/helping_hand</p> <p>Hourglass Scotland (Dunfermline & West Fife only) Web: wearehourglass.scot</p>
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Local help and support

<p><u>Helplines</u> Hourglass Scotland for vulnerable: 0808 808 8141 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm)</p>  <p>Samaritans 24/7: 116 123</p>	<p><u>Money Advice</u> Fife Council Web: fife.gov.uk/moneyadvice</p> <p>Hardship Document douglaschapman.scot/local/moneyadvice</p>
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Another useful website is <https://www.readyscotland.org/>

THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIVE MUSICAL MOMENT

Nada te turbe CHẲNG GÌ KHIẾN TA LO ÂU/NOTHING CAN TROUBLE

Na - da te tur - be na - da te es - pan - te; qui en a Dios
Chẳng gì khiến ta lo âu, chẳng gì khiến ta bấn khoăn. Khi ta theo
 No-thing can trou - ble, no-thing can fright - en. Those who seek

tie - ne na - da le fal - ta. Na - da te tur - be,
Chúa, ta đâu lo chi thiếu nữa. Chẳng gì khiến ta lo âu,
 God shall ne - ver go want - ing. No - thing can trou - ble,

na - da te es - pan - te: só - lo Dios bas - ta.
chẳng gì khiến ta bấn khoăn, một mình Chúa tràn ngập hồn ta.
 no-thing can fright - en. God a - lone fills _____ us.

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NOVENA PRAYER TO ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND



Almighty God, we thank you for all of your gifts to us. We thank you for the gift of our faith, for our families and for the example and prayers of St. Margaret of Scotland. Through her intercession we approach you now, asking that we may grow in our love for you and in service of our neighbour. With confidence and through the intercession of St Margaret, we ask you to hear our prayers and grant us the graces that we need. (In silence we ask St Margaret to carry our prayers to the Father.) Let us pray. O God, who made Saint Margaret of Scotland wonderful in her outstanding charity towards the poor, grant that through her intercession and example we may reflect among all humanity the image of your divine goodness.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father.....Hail Mary....Glory be.....

St Margaret of Scotland. Pray for us.

St. Margaret's Memorial Church, Dunfermline is the custodian of the Major Relic of St. Margaret of Scotland, The novena is prayed before her shrine on the 10th -18th of each month.