

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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Response for the Sunday Mass and Mass Intentions for the coming week

PSALM	On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	<i>Alleluia, alleluia!</i> Mary has been taken up into heaven, all the choirs of angels are rejoicing

Day	Time	Date	Intention
SUNDAY	10am	16	People of the Parish
MON	10am	17	NO MASS
TUES	10.15am (Holy Name)*	18	Funeral Mass for John Bonnar R.I.P
WED	10am	19	Alex Mazs (Anniv)
THURS	10am	20	Funeral Mass for Norman Goouch R.I.P
FRIDAY	10am	21	Hugo Donaldson (anniv)
SAT	10am	22	Margaret Jarvis R.I.P
	4pm (HN)		People of the Parish
	5.30pm (SM)		Brian McMenemy R.I.P
SUNDAY	10am	23	Mary Lafferty R.I.P

*note: no livestreaming via St Margaret's

Mass Intentions

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: John Bonnar and Norman Goouch. Mr Bonnar's Funeral Mass will take place in Holy Name Oakley at 10.15 on Tuesday 18th. There will be no streamed Mass from St Margaret's on Monday or Tuesday. Mr Goouch's Funeral Mass will take place in St Margaret's at 10a.m on Thursday 20th. Numbers attending are restricted at this present time.

If you would like a Mass celebrated for a particular intention please get in touch by email, phone or drop a note through the letterbox.

BAPTISM

Congratulations and welcome to James who will be baptised in St Margaret's on Saturday afternoon.

DEAR FRIENDS,

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Gospel reading is Mary's song of praise, the Magnificat. Mary praises God for His presence and action in her life and for all that he has done and will continue to do in the life of His people. She recognises that God is a God of faithfulness.

Speaking of the Magnificat on this day in 2013, Pope Francis said, "The Magnificat is the song of hope, it is the song of the People of God walking through history." He added, "it is particularly strong in places where the Body of Christ is suffering the Passion."

God's life is stronger than death and above all else He brings us hope in our difficulties and struggles. After an absence of 5 months we return to public worship, in a different and limited way, but it is still a major step forward for us. The only adequate response is to take up with Mary that song of praise, thanking God for what he has taught us over these last weeks and months. God's continues to work in our lives, no matter how insignificant we might think we are, God loves us with an everlasting love. The Assumption of Mary is testimony to that fact. The Pope continues in that homily from 2013, "The Magnificat is the song many saints, men and women, some famous, and very many others unknown to us but known to God: mums, dads, catechists, missionaries, priests, sisters, young people, even children and grandparents: these have faced the struggle of life while carrying in their heart the hope of the little and the humble."

At the time of writing there are still plenty of spaces for the weekend services. Please call 625611 for St Margaret's or 07711703927 for Holy Name. If you turn up on the day and there is space, then you will be allowed in but you must leave your name and telephone number.

With best wishes for this coming week,

Fr Chris

PUBLIC WORSHIP

THE WEEKEND TIMETABLE IS AS FOLLOWS.

ST MARGARET'S

- Saturday Mass at 10a.m and 5.30p.m
- Sunday Communion Service at 9a.m & 11a.m

HOLY NAME

- Saturday: Mass at 4.00p.m
- Sunday Communion Service at 9.15 a.m

Mass will be streamed at 10a.m each Sunday from St Margaret's

The doors will open 30 minutes before the start of each service, except the 11a.m Service on a Sunday at St Margaret's when access will not be possible until 10.45a.m.

You must book a place in advance

For St Margaret's phone 625611 on a Thursday between 3.00 and 6.00p.m

For Holy Name phone 07711703927 on a Thursday between 3.00p.m and 5.00p.m

LIVESTREAMING

1. Mass is streamed from St Margaret's Church on a Sunday at 10a.m. To access please go to <https://stmargaretsdunfermline.co.uk/stream/> or at <https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-margarets-rc-church>.

The Sunday Mass is recorded as well. Weekday Mass is also streamed at 10a.m Tuesday to Saturday. No Mass on a Monday.

2. St Joseph's in Clarkston are continuing with their telephone Mass service. The Number to call to hear Fr Stephen's Mass is 0141 473 4869.

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.'



RCIA

We hope to arrange the Reception of our RCIA candidates in the near future as this was supposed to occur at Easter.

Anyone who is interested in exploring the catholic faith with a view to becoming a catholic is invited to contact Fr Heenan or George Toal georgetoal@btinternet.com

CONGRATULATIONS

to our young parishioner Liam King who has earned all of his badges with the cub scouts – well over 60 – in just 3 years, even managing to complete the last one during lockdown. His favourite was the chef badge and Liam can now cook an omelette, a pizza from scratch and

mince & tatties. He found cooking the mince and tatties to be quite a challenge as he had to chop the onions and carrots up so small so that wee his wee sister wouldn't be able to taste them!

Liam's final badge was his water activities badge which he completed during lockdown when it was safe to do so.

Now that he moves up to the Scouts, Liam has set himself a similar challenge. Liam's achievement was recently featured in the Dunfermline Press.

Liz Smith, MSP has also tabled a motion for the Scottish Parliament to congratulate Liam on his achievements

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/28877.aspx?SearchType=Advance&ReferenceNumbers=S5M-22403&ResultsPerPage=10>

Well done, Liam.



STILL ZOOMING!

The Men's Group are continuing to hosting meetings by means of Zoom.

On Sunday's at 11am there is a gathering for coffee after Mass and on Thursday evenings starting at 7:30pm there is a social quiz evening.

These events are open to all parishioners.

To find out how to join them please email Tom Scott on tom.scott0711@gmail.com.



Visit <https://archedinburgh.org/childrens-liturgy-at-home-get-ready-for-sunday-11/> for some great ideas to celebrate and explain this Sunday.

Even though Mary was assumed into Heaven, she is always with us. Heaven is our home and Mary wants us to be with her and her Son for all eternity. On the Solemnity of the Assumption, let us remember our Mother who is in Heaven and who loves us very much. The Assumption is the fourth Glorious Mystery in the Rosary. So, every time we pray the Rosary we can remember that she is always with us and that she loves us more than anyone else on earth could!



PARISH NEWS ROUNDUP

FINANCE

People have been asking how to continue to support the parish. *Please only do so if you are able to do so, do not put yourself into any hardship.* If you are able, standing order forms are available on the parish website. If you have internet banking you can use this. The Bank account details are The Bank details for St Margaret's are: sort code: 80 06 55 Account 00720303. Holy Name: sort code 83 33 00 account number 00176355.

The Archdiocese has also 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=

But please, do not put yourself into any hardship.

Some people were kind enough to drop their collection envelopes through the door. Thank you for this but please follow advice to stay at home as much as possible (you can save them up!).

PARISH EMAIL LIST

If you aren't receiving the weekly newsletter by email. Please send an email to st.margaretdunfermline@gmail.com and you will be added.

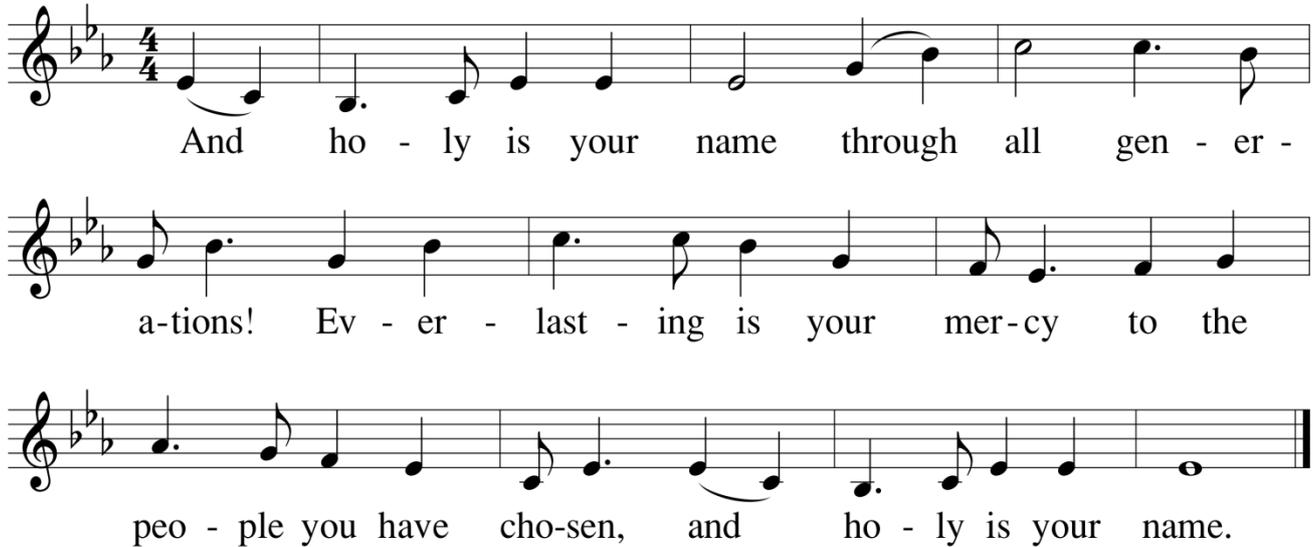
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Verse 1

1. My soul is filled with joy as I sing to God my savior:
you have looked upon your servant, you have visited your people.

Refrain



And ho - ly is your name through all gen - er -
a-tions! Ev - er - last - ing is your mer-cy to the
peo - ple you have cho-sen, and ho - ly is your name.

Verses 2–5

2. I am lowly as a child, but I know from this day forward
that my name will be remembered, for all will call me blessed.
3. I proclaim the pow'r of God, you do marvels for your servants;
though you scatter the proud hearted, and destroy the might of princes.
4. To the hungry you give food, send the rich away empty.
In your mercy you are mindful of the people you have chosen.
5. In your love you now fulfill what you promised to your people.
I will praise you Lord, my savior, everlasting is your mercy.

Text: Luke 1:46-55, David Haas, b.1957
Tune: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME, Irregular; Irish traditional; arr. by David Haas, b.1957
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SUNDAY CALL TO PRAYER <https://archedinburgh.org/call-to-prayer-at-7pm-on-sunday-5/>

The apostle Paul writes that 'the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable'. (Romans 11: 29) God has made a choice and that choice is to call the people of God into being and to make a covenant with them. Having made that choice, the mind of God does not change. God remains faithful to the covenant and to the covenant promise renewed through Jesus Christ. Knowing this to be so, we turn with confidence to the faithful God.

We pray:

*Faithful God,
You have called us to be the people of God.
We thank you that your calling remains and abides.
Make us faithful to your calling at this present time.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

*Faithful God,
You are the God who makes a covenant with your people.
We thank you that you remember us even when we forget you.
Remember us today and all who journey in hard places.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

*Faithful God,
Your gifts to us are many and without number.
We thank you for the gift of life
And the gift renewed through Jesus Christ.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

*Faithful God,
You are merciful and gracious and you abound in steadfast love.
When all around us seems to shift and uncertainty prevails
We search for you and discover again that you are ever present.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

*Faithful God,
You are the God who breaks down the dividing wall
And makes us one in Christ Jesus.
Grant to us the strength to overcome division and renew our common life.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*