

Fourth Sunday of Easter



ST MARGARET'S, DUNFERMLINE
AND
CHURCH OF THE HOLY NAME, OAKLEY



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St Margaret's is a Parish of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St Andrew and Edinburgh,
a Charity registered in Scotland SC0008540.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEKS

| Day | Time | Date | Intention |
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| SAT | 4pm (SM) | 24 | Sonia Proctor |
| | 5.30pm (SM) | | Brian Kelly R.I.P. |
| FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 9am (SM) | 25 | Alex Kiddie R.I.P. |
| | 9.30am (HN) | | Monica Kelly (Anniversary) |
| | 10am ONLINE | | People of the Parish (not open to the public) |
| | 11am (SM) | | Golden Wedding Thanksgiving |
| | 11am (HN) | | Mary McFall (Birthday Remembrance) |
| MON | 10am (SM) | 26 | Brian Kelly R.I.P. |
| TUES | 10am (SM) | 27 | Cissie and James Farrell (Anniversary) |
| | 10am (HN) | | Fr William Henery (Anniv) |
| WED | 10am (SM) | 28 | Alan Cox R.I.P. |
| THU | 10am (SM) | 29 | Patrick McClenaghan R.I.P. |
| | 10am (HN) | | Alan Cox R.I.P. |
| FRI | 10am (SM) | 30 | Tere Archibald R.I.P. |
| SAT | 10am (SM) | 1 | Connie Simpson R.I.P. |
| | 4pm (SM) | | Patrick McClenaghan R.I.P. |
| | 5.30pm (SM) | | Brian Kelly R.I.P. |
| FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 9am (SM) | 2 | Dennis Kennedy R.I.P. |
| | 9.30am (HN) | | Thomas McFarlane (Anniv) |
| | 10am ONLINE | | People of the Parish (not open to the public) |
| | 11am (SM) | | Thanksgiving |
| | 11am (HN) | | Frank McCormick R.I.P. |

Please remember in your prayers Alan Cox, who has died recently. Alan was well known at Holy Name. His funeral will take place this Wednesday in Worcestershire. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.



May he rest in peace.

DEAR FRIENDS

The idea that a shepherd would commit the ultimate sacrifice and give up his life for the sake of a sheep is pretty crazy.

Sheep would be the shepherd's livelihood and I'm sure that the shepherd would do everything that he could to keep his sheep safe and free from danger, but to "lay down his life for his sheep" is extreme to say the least.

We are not dealing with any ordinary, run of the mill shepherd here. We are encountering the Good Shepherd. This shepherd has concern for his sheep, he knows them. It is because of this that he is prepared to lay down his life for his sheep. St John uses the language of love. The Good Shepherd lays down his life because he loves the sheep but also because he is assured of the Father's love for him, that love which overcomes even death itself. "Laying down his life" doesn't just mean the ultimate sacrifice on the Cross, but the way in which Jesus lives a life marked with sacrifice and self-giving, love, compassion and care. It is important for us to remember that all of the little acts of love, kindness and self-giving are important as well as they show that we participate in the love that God lavishes on us and live our lives as his children.

With best wishes and prayers for the coming week,

Fr Chris

THANK YOU

The Holy Name SSVP would like to thank the anonymous donor who has left a box of food every week. This is greatly appreciated by the SSVP and by those in the community who benefit.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Dominic will be baptised in St Margaret's on Sunday afternoon.

MASS INTENTIONS

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 or, if at a service, pop into the box for offertory collections.

If you wish a Mass card, write your name and address and one will be posted.

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 & unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.'



PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH, PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, & defend us from every evil.
Amen.

PUBLIC WORSHIP

Rosary and Benediction will be held at 7.00p.m on a Tuesday evening in St Margaret's.

It is open to the public (no need to book) and is also livestreamed.

For both weekday and weekend Masses at 10am livestream access from St Margaret's (as well as prior recordings) please go to <https://stmargaretsdunfermline.co.uk/stream/> or at <https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-margarets-rc-church>

PARISH ZOOM GROUP

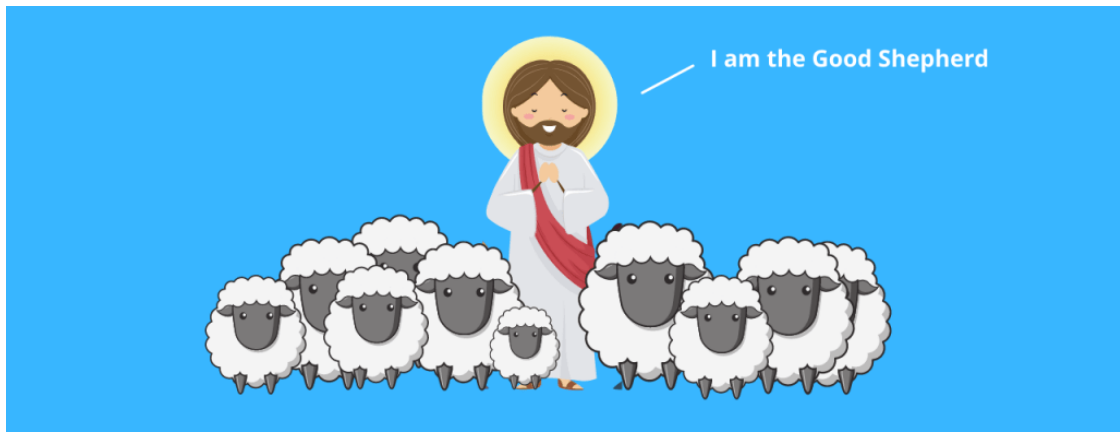
On Sunday's at 11am there is a gathering for coffee after Mass and on Thursday evenings starting at 7:30pm there is a social quiz evening. These events are open to **all** parishioners. To find out how to join them please email Tom Scott on tom.scott0711@gmail.com.

OTHER LIVE SOURCES OF MASS

Sunday Mass is available from the [Archdiocese](#) via the [YouTube](#) channel.

[St Joseph's, Clarkston](#) are continuing to offer the [Dial-A-Mass](#) service. Mass is recorded **every** morning and is available to listen to any time from around 10:30am daily. Please share this number with friends and neighbours who do not have internet access.

Dial: 01414734869.



Visit <https://archedinburgh.org/childrens-liturgy-at-home-get-ready-for-sunday-43/> for some great ideas to celebrate and explain this Sunday.

[More resources can be found at <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy> and at https://www.rpbooks.co.uk/_uploads/www.rpbooks.co.uk/03_FaithMap_Lent-Easter-Pentecost.pdf]

This weekend is the fourth Sunday in the Easter Season and in today's Gospel we learn about Jesus our Good Shepherd.

P E P F E L D W S R L G F T T
 T B F L O C K P K M I U W E J
 Q V C Q K N O W F L F R I A Y
 L N B F O O H P J O E Q U T I
 Z G N L Q R I D Q V U C W N S
 A A I G O O D S T E T S A L S
 O S T M S J C N H S S D M L T
 B F G S R C Y Y Z E V R S I K
 D W E O H C A R E S E K H S A
 A O Q J B E O T M V C P C T K
 P L D V E F P Q T A R E T E T
 E F O O D H E H T E P K H N V
 N B G I S C U T E Q R A Y B S
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| LISTEN | SHEEP | LOVES | WOLF | FLOCK |
| ATTACKS | CARES | PEN | GOOD | RUNS |
| SCATTERS | VOICE | SHEPHERD | LIFE | KNOW |

Sermons4kids.com from John 10:11-18

PARISH CHARITIES



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Our SVP conference has been working hard to meet the needs of those in difficulty at this time. If you can help, the Bank Details are:

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| Account Name | SSVP AEO2044 |
| Sort Code | 800655 |
| Account Number | 00768139 |

A massive *Thank You* to all who have donated!

The work of the SSVP during lockdown is highlighted this week on the News and Events section of the Archdiocesan website at <https://archedinburgh.org/work-of-ssvp-continues-throughout-pandemic/> where you can also access the latest Ozanam news.



ST. MARGARET'S ONE WORLD GROUP

SUPPORTING MARY'S MEALS, HAITI HELP, EMMS AND PEAS.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT

To help us continue our work, while our fundraising is restricted during lockdown, please make a donation if you are able. Please also think if you would like to gift aid it. **We are a charity in our own right so any gift aid agreement you already have for the parish collection does not cover OWG donations.**

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| Account Name | St Margarets One World Group |
| Sort Code | 83-33-00 |
| Account Number | 10191867 |

If you prefer to send a cheque, please contact our treasurer Maureen Japp on 01383 725967 or by email at maureenjapp17@gmail.com

ARCHDIOCESAN CHARITIES

Please also remember the Archdiocesan charities including the Aged and Infirm Clergy, Ecclesiastical Students Fund and the Catholic Education Fund.

To give to these charities go to the Donate button at the top right hand of the Archdiocesan webpage.

PARISH FINANCES

Please only donate if you can do so; do not put yourself into any hardship. If you are a tax-payer and don't Gift Aid your offering already please complete a form and return to Fr Heenan.

1. Contactless

If you wish, you can donate by the contactless machine. You need only choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card against the machine.

2. The old way (real money)

The plastic box is back! [on your way out after Mass] – can use envelopes too!

3. Standing Order

Standing order forms are available on the parish website or you can set up on online via your bank.

4. Online ad hoc donations

If you have internet banking you can use this too. There are two ways:

- using the following bank account details:
for St Margaret's: sort code: 80 06 55 Account 00720303.
for Holy Name: sort code 83 33 00 Account number 00176355.
- using the link via the Archdiocese (archedinburgh.org) online secure 'donate' links:

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

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

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

This September, St Mary's University in Twickenham, a leading Catholic university in the UK, will open a campus at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh in conjunction with the Archdiocese, delayed from last year. There will be a range of part-time postgraduate MA courses in Theology and Education available, giving you the flexibility to study in the evening and at weekends. This is great news for the provision of Catholic Education in Scotland. Archbishop Cushley has written a pastoral letter about this exciting initiative which is available to read online at bit.ly/PastoralLetter240421.

Find out more about the courses and register at www.stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh

• SAFEGUARDING TRAINING:

ONLINE INDUCTION PART 1 TRAINING VIA ZOOM

Trainer: Julie Brechin - julie.brechin@staned.org.uk

Friday 28 May 2021 at 10am

Please book direct with Julie via the email address above. 30 places are available for this session and must be pre-booked to obtain the joining details.

ONLINE INDUCTION PART 2 TRAINING VIA ZOOM

Trainer: Julie Brechin - julie.brechin@staned.org.uk

Saturday 22 May 2021 at 10am

Friday 25 June 2021 at 10am

Please book direct with Julie via the email address above. 30 places are available for each session and must be pre-booked to obtain the joining details.

ONLINE PSC TRAINING VIA ZOOM

Trainer: Julie Brechin - julie.brechin@staned.org.uk


Wednesday 9 June 2021 at 6.30pm

Please book direct with Julie via the email address above. 30 places are available for this session and must be pre-booked to obtain the joining details.

ARCHDIOCESAN CORONAVIRUS AND NEWS UPDATES

Go to <https://archedinburgh.org/update-coronavirus/> to keep up to date with what is happening in the area.

You can also sign up to the [e-newsletter](#) on the 'news and events' page.

All previous events such are available on the YouTube channel which can be found at the top of the Archdiocesan webpage – just look for the  button.

... FROM FATHER ISAAC

CHRIST, OUR SACRIFICIAL SHEPHERD

After celebrating the holy mass on March 24, 1980; Archbishop Oscar Romero was shot dead in San Salvador because he spoke out against tyranny and demanded freedom and human rights for his people who were being oppressed. He laid down his life for his people. Yes, the love of our good shepherd for us is the same yesterday, today and forever.

The liturgy of the 4th Sunday of Easter usually presents the theme of the good shepherd. Thus, it is called: "The good Shepherd Sunday" or "Vocation Sunday". This theme as it were, centres on leadership in the ecclesiastical and secular settings. To be a leader is never an easy adventure. Different leaders apply various styles in leading others. Some lead from behind, some stay at the middle while some take the lead. Jesus, our leader per excellence calls himself the good shepherd, because he leads by example. He lays down his life for us. If there is anything the church and the enter world need today, it is credible, courageous, and reliable leaders.

When we talk about shepherding our minds easily go to the Pope, the Bishops and Priests. No doubt they are pastors of souls, but every one often acts as a shepherd/sheep in one way or another.

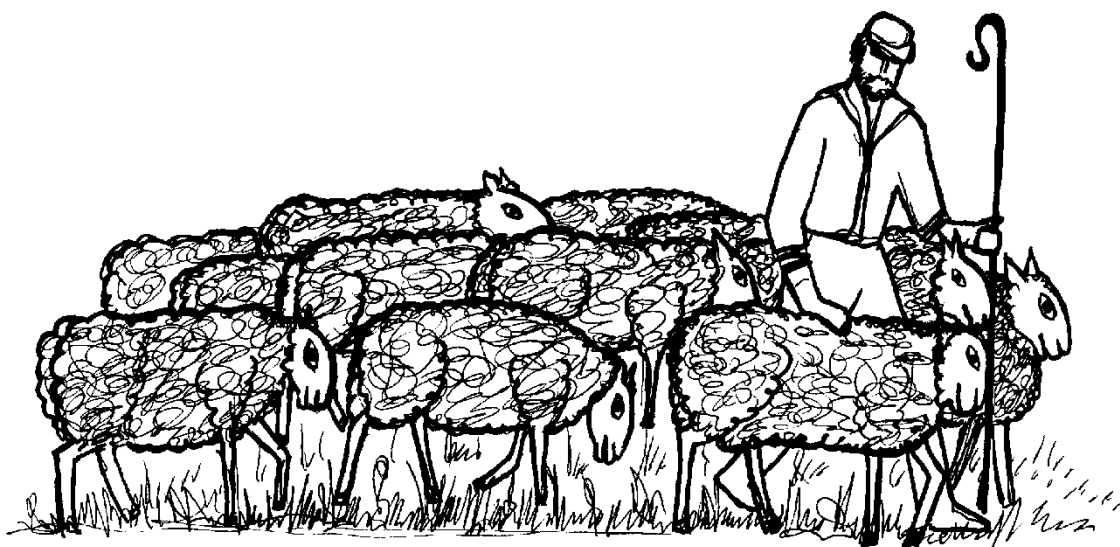
The schoolteachers are the shepherds of their pupils, the medical doctors and nurses are shepherds of their patients, the lawyers are equally shepherds of their clients, businessmen and women are shepherds of their customers, mum and dad are shepherds of their children. Shepherding here is seen as leadership.

The pertinent question is what kind of shepherd am I? Where do I lead those under my care? What do I feed them with? How do I help them to become the true image of God?

There are hallmarks of the good shepherd.

First and foremost, the good shepherd loves his sheep and lays down his life for them. Do we truly love those under our care, or we are just there to milk them? Making sacrifices for those under our care are signs of great love for them. According to pope John Paul II, Christ in calling the disciples to be with him, wants shepherd that will take after his own hearts. Shepherds who make great sacrifices for love of humanity, compassionate and loving shepherds.

During his inaugural address as president of America, John F. Kennedy said: "Ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country," By this he challenged every citizen to contribute in some way to the public good. Unfortunately, many shepherds in various capacities are just interested in what they can gain from those whom they are shepherding. It is not just enough to make sacrifices for the well-being of others, it is of utmost importance that we create an enabling environment for other people to thrive and to achieve their dreams in life. "The world is in need of good people. If you cannot find any, please be one" (Mother Theresa of Calcutta).



Marks of the Good Shepherd (Cf. Jn.10)

He does not abandon me in crisis,
He calls me by my name.
He knows me through and through,
He leads me to greener pastures,
He lays down his life for me.

Marks of a good sheep

I hear him whenever he calls me,
I follow wherever he leads me,
I trust and depend on him,
I believe, I shall see him as he really is.

Stay safe,
Remain Blessed,
Happy Sunday to you.