

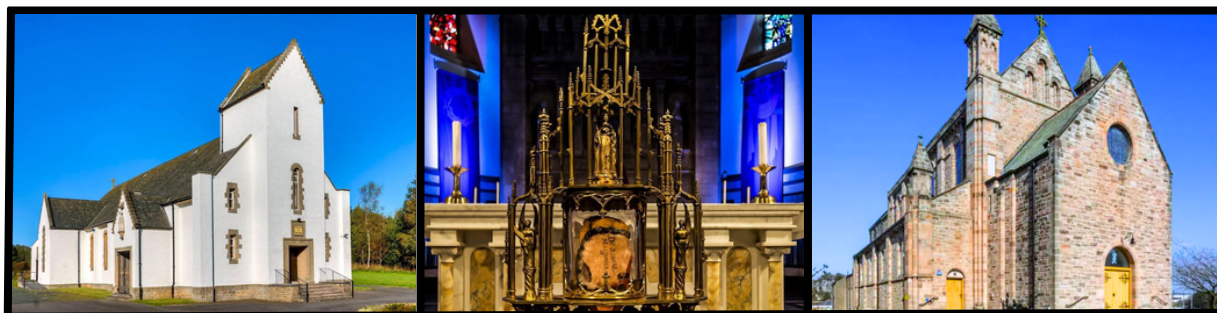


ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B



DATE	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Saturday 3rd	10am 10.30am-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am - Confession 5.30pm	St. Margaret's	Patsy & Jim Watt RIP Jim Freeman RIP
Sunday 4th	9.30am 11am	St. Margaret's Holy Name	Leona Barr RIP Tom Cannings & Family
Monday 5th	NO MASS		
Tuesday 6th	9am 10am 12pm Funeral mass	Holy Name St. Margaret's	The MCGreevar Family Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday 7th	9am 10am	Holy Name St. Margaret's	Fr Syriac's Family Our Lady of Lourdes
Thursday 8th	10am	St. Margaret's	John McBride (thanksgiving)
Friday 9th	10am	St. Margaret's	Frankie Sweeney (RIP)
Saturday 10th	10am 10.30am-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am - Confession 5.30pm	St. Margaret's	Special Intention Hannah Lewis RIP

Mass Intentions

If you would like a mass to be offered for yourself, family or friends, complete the blank Mass Intention envelopes (for SM in the card stand; for HN on the table at the entrance of the church) and hand these to the Parish Priest. These can also be put through the Presbytery door.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on request at Holy Name & after 10am Mass every Saturday in St. Margaret's.



Obituary

Please remember in your prayers Etta MacLeod who passed away on 18th January. Her funeral will take place on Tuesday 6th February at 12pm in St Margaret's. Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved family and friends. May she rest in peace.

St. Margaret's Primary School - New Depute Headteacher

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new Depute Headteacher Brianna O'Donnell who will be commencing her new role at St. Margaret's Primary as of next week. We look forward to working with you & our primary school children.

Sunday Morning Teas & Coffees

Tea and Toast after Sunday Mass in St Margaret's is starting up the first Sunday in Lent! To ensure it continues we need volunteers who can commit to once a month, hopefully less. Please contact Charlotte Macintosh personally or on cjm909@btinternet.com if you want to help out. You may have done this before – please come back – or want to get involved this time round. The 6 weeks that this will be running is a trial and if not enough people come forward we will be unable to sustain running this after the Easter holidays. Thank you

Visits to the Infirm/Sick

If you have a relative or friend who is unwell and you feel they would like a visit by the Priest or a Eucharistic Minister to receive communion please get in touch – see Parish Contact Information on Page 4.

Children's Liturgy

The Children's Liturgy will resume this Sunday and will then run weekly from Sunday 18th February until Easter.

Job Vacancy

Justice and Peace Scotland are looking to recruit a Campaigns, Communication & Events Coordinator. To express interest and for a full job description email the Justice & Peace Scotland's Chairperson, Jill Kent: jill.kent@justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk Closing date Mon 5th February.

Toddler Group

The leader is looking for someone to take over running the group. Currently it runs on a Friday morning but there is availability to switch to a Tuesday or Thursday instead. Please contact Julie for further information if you are interested: julie@twinklestarschildcare.com

'What's On?' – View our Parish events calendar here:

<https://stmargaretsdunfermline.co.uk/events-calendar/>

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

EVENT: New Dawn Day

New Dawn in Scotland hosts a conference and parish healing service at Ss John Cantius & Nicholas Parish, West Main Street, Broxburn, EH52 5RJ on Saturday 3 February from 9:30am. Speakers are Fr Frankie Mulgrew, priest from the Diocese of Salford (and a former comedian), and Terry Quinn, an International Catholic Evangelist and bible scholar. Visit <https://newdawninscotland.com/>

Lourdes Mass

The February Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes takes place at 3pm on Sunday 4 February at St John the Baptist Church, 37 St Ninian's Road, Corstorphine, Edinburgh EH12 8AL. The Mass is organised by the Edinburgh Lourdes Pilgrimage team. Refreshments in hall afterwards. All welcome.

EVENT: Valentine's Retreat

The Archdiocesan Valentine's Retreat for married and engaged couples takes place at St Kentigern's Church, Parkgrove Avenue, Barnton, Edinburgh, on Saturday 10 February 2024, 2-5pm. It is an ideal way for couples to spend time together in quiet reflection and prayer, in thanksgiving to God for each other and all the positive things that spring from your relationship. Creche available for children of primary school age and older. Register at <https://bit.ly/valretreat>

Events in the Archdiocese

For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>



PARISH SPOTLIGHT: ONE WORLD GROUP



This week we would like to share more information about the work we are doing with Mary's Meals as well as some of the other projects/appeals we have supported and continue to support.

Mary's Meals

We have a strong and well established relationship with Mary's Meals. Their main activity is to provide a daily school meal to children in impoverished countries around the world. We have adopted a school in Liberia, Gevah Franchee, through the 'Sponsor A School' programme and this will be the main focus of our work in 2024. Our funding will provide one meal a day for every pupil for one year. This year we need to raise £1436.25 to support this cause. Any extra monies received will go towards the general fund.



Haiti Help

Haiti Help was founded by three local nurses from Lochgelly who travel to Haiti to give medical help, child care and developmental support to incredibly destitute people. Haiti is one of the poorest countries in the world. It is continually being ravaged by civil war and has suffered natural disasters. We have been supporting them for over ten years which they are incredibly grateful for.



PEAS International

This organisation helps girls in poor African countries to go on to secondary school when they would not normally be able to do so.

EMMS

The Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society (EMMS) helps families in countries challenged by poverty and disease to gain access to healthcare services and to break the cycle of poverty and injustice. Although driven by Christian aims, they help people of all faiths. We supported one of their projects to fund a water ambulance on Lake Malawi, now fully self-supported.



Practical Action

This is an international development charity that helps poor people, who are dependent on the land, to cope with climate change. We supported one of their projects, Solar water pump in Zimbabwe to help crop growth despite climate change.

We reserve approximately £500 at all times to allow us to respond to emergency appeals. We have had a lot of emergency appeals recently and have spent as much as we have collected through donations.



We are looking at new ways to raise funds to allow us to continue to provide support where needed the most.

A heartfelt thank you from everyone at One World Group and the projects we help for your continued support!



PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Colleen Izatt	Parish Admin Assistant & Crypt Bookings	Email Address priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk Phone Number: 07706083493 / 01383 625611
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PARISH CHARITIES

Society of St. Vincent de Paul		One World Group
St. Margaret's	Holy Name	
Account Name SSVP AE02044	Account Name SSVP AE02040	Account Name St. Margaret's One World Group
Account No 00768139	Account No 13364166	Account No 10191867
Sort Code 80 - 06 - 55	Sort Code 80 - 22 - 60	Sort Code 83 - 33 - 00

PARISH OFFERTORIES

St. Margaret's	Holy Name
	

SACRAMENTS

Please contact the Parish Priest to arrange Baptisms (at your earliest convenience), Marriages (at least six months in advance), Sacrament of the Sick or Funerals: priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk
 Should you have any questions about the Sacraments, please email: georgetoal@btinternet.com



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READINGS

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FIRST READING

Job 7:1-4,6-7

My life is but a breath

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief.

Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.

Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind.

Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23

I should be punished if I did not preach the Gospel

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak: I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessings.

THE NICENE

("Niceno-Constantinopolitan") Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 146(147):1-6

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn8:12

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 1:29-39

He cast out devils and cured many who were suffering from disease

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils.

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