



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD – YEAR B



DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 23rd	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass 10.30am Exposition 10.30am Reconciliation	David Kelly RIP
	St. Margaret's	5.30pm – Holy Mass	John Dunkerley RIP
Sunday 24th Palm Sunday	St. Margaret's	9.30am – Holy Mass	Gordon Wilson (Wellbeing)
	Holy Name	11am – Holy Mass	Anne McGuinness RIP
	St. Margaret's	3pm – Benediction for SSVp	
Monday 25th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass	Clare McAuley RIP
Tuesday 26th	Holy Name	9am – Holy Mass 9.30am – Stations of the Cross	Anne McGuinness RIP
	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass	Luke Healy RIP
	St. Margaret's	7pm–8pm – Holy Hour	
Wednesday 27th	Holy Name	9am – Holy Mass 9.30am – Stations of the Cross	The Souls in Purgatory
	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass	For Unborn Children
	St. Margaret's	6.30pm SM P. School–Stations of the Cross in Action	
Thursday 28th Holy Thursday	St. Margaret's	7pm – The Liturgy of the Lord's Supper with the washing of the feet followed by night prayer and Adoration at the Altar of Repose	
Friday 29th Good Friday	Holy Name	3pm HN Liturgy of the Lord's Passion followed by Stations of the Cross in the garden	
	St. Margaret's	7pm SM Veneration of the Holy Cross	
Saturday 30th Holy Saturday	St. Margaret's	8pm – Easter Vigil	

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 Priest. These can also be put through the Presbytery door. Please note mass intentions slots can regularly already be filled, up to a month in advance.



Centering Prayer Continuing Sessions – Sunday 24th March

20 minutes of silent contemplative prayer followed by a 1/2 hour video by Fr Thomas Keating – starting Sunday 24th March after 9:30am Mass in the Lady Chapel. First of six, with remaining sessions on subsequent Sundays. Each session lasting around an hour.

Obituary

Please remember in your prayers Mary Collinbourne who passed away on 13th March. Her funeral will take place on Friday 5th April with Requiem mass at 10am at St. Margaret's. Our thoughts and prayers go to the bereaved family & friends. May she rest in peace.

Feedback/Comments

We are always open to receive ideas/thoughts/comments regarding how we celebrate our Faith in our Parish. For that reason, we will for a trial period, offer an opportunity for Parishioners to share their thoughts. A feedback form is available at the rear of the church (at both Holy Name and St Margaret's). The form can be submitted anonymously. However, if you wish to be contacted regarding your submission please complete the relevant contact details on the form. Please insert your completed form in the envelope provided. Post your envelope in the dedicated Feedback/Comments box.

New Safeguarding Coordinator for Holy Name

Ian McDonald has recently been appointed as the Parish Safeguarding Coordinator (PSC) for Holy Name. A huge thanks to Marie Glancy for her service in the role of PSC.

Fife Bus

Fife Bus, Fife Council's Demand Responsive Transport Service (DRT), provides door-to-door transport for people who are unable to access mainstream public transport and will also assist with your seatbelt if needed. Transport is available Mon-Sun (excl Tues) 8am-5:30pm. Contact them on 03451 55 11 88 where the friendly staff will talk you through the process and let you know if you qualify. Registrations will be accepted between 11am and 2pm.

Good Friday – Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Stations of the Cross

This year the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion will be held in Holy Name, Oakley at 3pm and it will be followed by the Stations of the Cross in the garden. There is additional parking in the carpark of Holy Name Primary School – just 5 minutes from Holy Name church. Alternatively, parishioners may consider using Fife Bus to travel to Holy Name.

St. Margaret's will be opened from 10am through to 7pm for personal prayer and reflection. There will be Veneration of the Holy Cross in the evening at 7pm in St. Margaret's.

Holy Name Teas n Coffees

The next teas n coffees in Holy Name will be on Sunday 7th April and thereafter every second week. Please come and join us for a chat and fabulous baking. Please note the teas n coffees will not be on Easter Sunday.

Sunday Morning Teas & Coffees

Tea & Toast after Sunday Mass in St Margaret's started 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 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 Gift 2024 – Dates for your Diaries

This highly successful Life in The Spirit course is being rerun on Fridays April 19th-May 24th. More details to follow after Easter.

Sick of the Parish

We would like to ask parishioners of St. Margaret's and Holy Name to remember in your prayers Esther Wren, Margaret Wilson, Joe Wilson & Anne McPherson during their period of illness. If you would like to add a family member to be remembered in the parishioners prayers, please complete the form which can be found at the back of the church.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Events in the Archdiocese

For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit:

<https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>

Holy Week Webinar

Join Monsignor Patrick Burke, from St Mary's Cathedral, for an in-depth study on the Passion of Christ as written in the Gospel of St John. This Zoom event takes place at 6:00pm on Palm Sunday (24 March) and is a good way to start Holy Week in a spirit of reflection and to discover insights into Christ's Passion. Register at bit.ly/passionevent2024

Pro-Life Stations of the Cross

This Monday (25 March) at 7:45pm, praying for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Includes a reflection from Archbishop Leo Cushley. Register at <https://bit.ly/lentstations>



SPOTLIGHT - RCIA

As we approach Holy Week next week, the RCIA team have been preparing our Catechumens for being received into the Catholic Church.

Please keep the following candidates in your prayers this week:

- **Cameron Hogg**
- **Cassie King**
- **Luke Meldrum**

Each candidate will be received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil on Saturday 23rd March. Later we will welcome **Peter Terrell** into full communion with the Catholic Church. May God bless each Catechumen in their new journey with Christ.

Thank you,
George Toal



Special Thank you Message...

A special message of thanks to Pat Moyes from Fr. Syriac and the RCIA team for making, and still making, the Baptismal stoles for all the candidates.

The stoles visibly highlight the sacramental theological teaching in the sacrament of Baptism. They represent a new life in Christ symbolised in the wearing of the stole in the liturgy of the Easter Mass.

Do you know someone looking to join the Catholic Church? perhaps you would like to learn more about Vatican II teachings?

For more information, please scan the QR code:





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PARISH OFFERTORIES

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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


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

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



FIRST READING Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

SECOND READING Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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 Psalm 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Phil2:8-9

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.
But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL Mark 11:1-10

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it. If any one says to you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately."

And they went away, and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street; and they untied it.

And those who stood there said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' And they told them what Jesus had said; and they let them go.

And they brought the colt to Jesus, and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it. And many spread their garments on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed cried out, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest!'



LENT LITURGICAL CALENDAR – HOLY WEEK

HN = Holy Name
SM = St. Margaret's

SATURDAY 23rd	SUNDAY 24th Palm Sunday	MONDAY 25th	TUESDAY 26th	WEDNESDAY 27th	THURSDAY 28th Holy Thursday
<p>10am SM Mass 10.30am Exposition 10.30am Reconciliation 5.30pm SM Mass</p>	<p>9.30am SM Mass 11am HN Mass 3pm SM Benediction for SSVP Easter Festival</p>	<p>10am SM Mass</p>	<p>9am HN Mass 9.30am HN Stations of the Cross 10am SM Mass 7pm-8pm SM Holy Hour</p>	<p>9am HN Mass 9.30am HN Stations of the Cross 10am SM Mass 6.30pm SM SM P.S. – Stations of the Cross in Action</p>	<p>10am SM Mass 7pm SM Mass</p>

FRIDAY 29th Good Friday	SATURDAY 30th Holy Saturday	SUNDAY 31st Easter Sunday
<p>3pm HN Liturgy of the Lord's Passion followed by Stations of the Cross in the garden 7pm SM Veneration of the Holy Cross</p>	<p>8pm SM Easter Vigil</p>	<p>9.30am SM Mass 11am HN Mass</p>

Holy Hour – Every Tuesday 7pm at St. Margaret's during Lent

In relation to Pope Francis designating 2024 as a Year of Prayer, during Lent we are holding Eucharistic Adoration (Holy Hour) on every Tuesday evening, 7pm at St. Margaret's. It is meant to give us an opportunity to deepen our prayer life and the intimacy with Jesus. Even if you do not have time to stay for the whole hour, pop in even for 10-15 minutes. Please bring your children/ grandchildren along.

Lent & Holy Week Liturgical Calendar

The dates, times, and locations of liturgical services for Lent and Holy Week for both St Margaret's and Holy Name were finalised recently by the parish Liturgy Group. The issue of having one priest serving two churches within the parish, and ensuring fairness for both congregations, proved difficult in planning the Easter Triduum. Parishioners should note the following key arrangements:

- Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday will be celebrated in St Margaret's at 7pm.
- The Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion will be at 3pm in Holy Name. St. Margaret's will be opened from 10am through to 7pm for personal prayer and reflection. There will be a Veneration of the Holy Cross service in St. Margaret's at 7pm.
- The Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday will be celebrated in St Margaret's at 8pm.
- On the Easter Day Holy Mass at St Margaret's at 9.30am and Holy Name at 11am.

The liturgy at each of the Triduum services will be supported by parishioners from both St Margaret's and Holy Name.