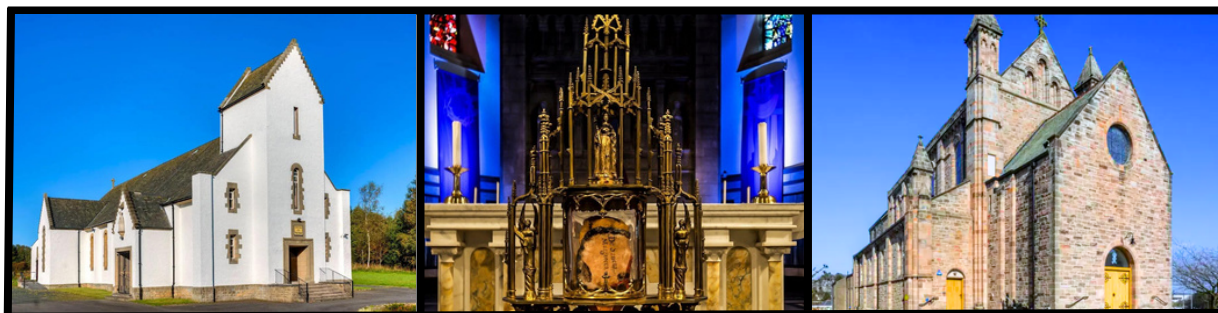




# ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B



DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 2nd	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	10am – Holy Mass 10.30am–Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession	Helen Greig RIP
	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	5.30pm – Holy Mass	Elizabeth Walker
Sunday 3rd	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	9.30am – Holy Mass	Eric Fairgrieve RIP
	<b>Holy Name</b>	11am – Holy Mass	Tom Wynn RIP
	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	4pm – Stations of the Cross – SSVp	
Monday 4th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 5th	<b>Holy Name</b>	9am – Holy Mass 9.30am – Stations of the Cross	Patsy Donald RIP
	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	10am – Holy Mass	John Snaith RIP
	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	7pm–8pm – Holy Hour	
Wednesday 6th	<b>Holy Name</b>	9am – Holy Mass 9.30am – Stations of the Cross	Tom Wynn RIP
	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	10am – Requiem Mass for Patricia Winship	
Thursday 7th	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	10am – Holy Mass	Annie McNeeley RIP
	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	7pm – Stations with Evening Prayer	
Friday 8th	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	7am – Holy Mass	Joseph & Anne O'Neil
	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	10am – Holy Mass	Charles Burke RIP
Saturday 9th	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	10am – Mass for the Sick	
	<b>St. Margaret's</b>	5.30pm – Holy Mass	Sr Catherine (Birthday)

**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.



## **Sunday Morning Teas & Coffees**

Tea and 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](mailto: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.

## **Obituaries**

Please remember in your prayers Patricia Garner Winship who passed away 8th February. Her funeral will take place on Wednesday 6th March, 10am at St. Margaret's.

Please remember in your prayers Janina Winski who passed away on 20th February. Her funeral will take place on Thursday 14th March at St. Margaret's.

Our thoughts and prayers go to the bereaved family & friends. May they rest in peace.

## **Mass for the Sick**

There will be Mass for the Sick on Saturday 9th March at 10am in St. Margaret's.

## **Building Fund Collection**

There will be a special collection this weekend for the Building Fund. Many thanks for your previous and ongoing donations.

## **Message from Missio Scotland**

We received St. Margaret's Mission Sunday collection of £847.69 in December and £156.01 in January. We would like to thank your parishioners for their generosity and ongoing support of Missio Scotland.

## **Holy Name Teas n Coffees**

The next teas n coffees in Holy Name will be on Sunday 3rd March 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.

## **Children's Liturgy**

Sacraments for Children not at Catholic school – Registration is on Monday 4th March 5pm in the Crypt.

## **Centering Prayer Introductory Day – Sunday 17th March**

In response to the call from the Second Vatican Council for a renewal of the long tradition of Contemplative Prayer within the Church, Fathers Thomas Keating, Basil Pennington, and William Meninger developed the method now known as Centering Prayer. Inspired by the 14th century mystical work 'The Cloud of Unknowing' it was designed to help Lay people living ordinary lives to develop and deepen their prayer life. During this Introductory Day you will learn the four simple guidelines of Centering Prayer explained within the context of a personal relationship with God. Our Introductory Day will take place in the Lady Chapel; the Day will begin immediately after 9:30 am Mass, and will include opportunities to practice this silent prayer with others, finishing before Stations of the Cross at 4pm. To register interest please send an email to: [priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk](mailto:priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk) or [hugh\\_reid2@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hugh_reid2@yahoo.co.uk).

## **Christian Meditation during Lent**

During the solemn season of Lent, Christian Meditation offers us a profound way to deepen our relationship with God, drawing closer to the Divine through the silence and simplicity of contemplative prayer. This practice encourages us to quiet our minds and hearts, making space for the Holy Spirit to speak within us, thus fostering a more intimate experience of God's presence and love. We meditate in person at 63 York Place, Edinburgh EH3 5AD, on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. Afterwards you are welcome for refreshments and to socialize. On Wednesdays at 7 p.m. we meditate online on Zoom and you can join from anywhere. The up-to-date schedule is here: <https://www.meetup.com/Christian-Meditation-Group/events/> Contact info – mobile: 0771 777 2614 Facebook: <http://on.fb.me/1cuO5QJ>

## **Holy Name Fun Night**

Holy Name are having another Fun Night to be held in The Greyhound Lounge, Oakley, on Tuesday 12th March from 6.30-10pm. As it is near St Patrick's feast day the night will have an Irish theme with Irish Bingo, live music, dancing and Irish karaoke. Refreshments and sandwiches will be provided and all for £10! Tickets will be on sale from next Sunday from Mike or Pietro.





## 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. There will be a Veneration of the Holy Cross service in St. Margaret's at 7 pm on the same evening.
- 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. The detailed liturgical calendar is printed with the bulletin.

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

### Special Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend there will be a special collection for Papal & Episcopal Charities (including SCIAF) at all Masses. Archbishop Leo Cushley said: "The money you donate is used to support much needed projects for people in need across the world and we pray for all those involved in the charitable works of the Church. Thank you for your generosity in almsgiving during Lent." – Archbishop Leo Cushley.

### Remembering Service

A service for those who have suffered the loss of a child, from the beginning of pregnancy onwards, together with those who wish to come in love and support, to have time in quiet surroundings to fully recognise their loss and help with healing. Sunday 3 March, 5pm at St John the Baptist RC Church, Edinburgh. Ecumenical and open to all.

### Lent Video Reflections

Join Canon Hugh White each week in Lent as he reflects on the 'Challenge of the Gospel', in weekly videos posted each Monday morning on the Archdiocesan YouTube channel: [bit.ly/ArchYouTube](https://bit.ly/ArchYouTube)

### Pro-Life Stations of the Cross

Every Monday in Lent at 7:45pm, praying for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. This Monday 4 March includes a reflection from Fr Jonathan Whitworth of the Diocese of Paisley. Register at <https://bit.ly/lentstations>

### Day for Catechists

If you are involved with RCIA, children's liturgy, sacramental preparation or any other catechist role, please register for the Archdiocesan Day for Catechists at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB, on Saturday 9 March from 10:30am-3pm. While the day is aimed at Catechists, all are welcome. Visit <https://bit.ly/dayforcatechists>

### Catholic Families for Life

The latest issue of newsletter from the Bishops' Commission for Marriage, Family & Life can be downloaded from [www.marriagefamilyandlife.org.uk](http://www.marriagefamilyandlife.org.uk)

### Pathways of Hope

A forum on Catholic Social Teaching and Poverty titled 'Pathways of Hope' takes place on Saturday 16 March 10:30am-3pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Free event. Register at [bit.ly/pathwaysofhopeevent](https://bit.ly/pathwaysofhopeevent)

### Events in the Archdiocese

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

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



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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
	

## 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](mailto:priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk)  
 Should you have any questions about the Sacraments, please email: [georgetoal@btinternet.com](mailto:georgetoal@btinternet.com)



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# READINGS

## 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT



### FIRST READING

#### Exodus 20:1-17

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

'You shall have no gods except me.

'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested;

### FIRST READING cont'd

that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

### SECOND READING

#### 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

### 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 118(119):8-11

*You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

#### Jn11:25, 26

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!  
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;  
whoever believes in me will never die.  
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

### GOSPEL

#### John 2:13-25

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me.

The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?'

But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.



# LENT LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Please keep an eye on the weekly newsletter for any changes

HN = Holy Name  
SM = St. Margaret's

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>5th</b> 9am HN Mass 9.30am HN Stations of the Cross  10am SM Mass  7pm-8pm SM Holy Hour	<b>6th</b> 9am HN Mass 9.30am HN Stations of the Cross  10am SM Mass	<b>7th</b> 10am SM Mass  7pm SM Stations & Evening Prayer	<b>8th</b> 7am SM Mass  10am SM Mass	<b>9th</b> 10am SM Mass for the Sick  5.30pm SM Mass	<b>10th</b> <b>4th Sunday of Lent</b>  9.30am SM Mass  11am HN Mass  4pm SM Stations Men's Group
<b>12th</b> 9am HN Mass 9.30am HN Stations of the Cross  10am SM Mass  7pm-8pm SM Holy Hour	<b>13th</b> 9am HN Mass 10am SM Mass  7pm SM Lenten Talk & Reconciliation Service	<b>14th</b> 10am SM Mass	<b>15th</b> 7am SM Mass  10am SM Mass	<b>16th</b> 10am SM Mass  11am HN Mass for the Sick  5.30pm SM Mass	<b>17th</b> <b>5th Sunday of Lent</b> <b>St. Patrick's Day</b>  9.30am SM Mass  11am HN Mass 3pm HN Stations of the Cross  4pm SM Stations Eucharistic Ministers
<b>19th</b> 9am HN Mass 9.30am HN Stations of the Cross  10am SM Mass  7pm-8pm SM Holy Hour	<b>20th</b> 9am HN Mass 9.30am HN Stations of the Cross  10am SM Mass	<b>21st</b> 10am SM Mass  7pm SM Stations & Evening Prayer	<b>22nd</b> 7am SM Mass  10am SM Mass	<b>23rd</b> 10am SM Mass 10.30am Exposition 10.30am Reconciliation  5.30pm SM Mass	<b>24th</b> <b>Palm Sunday</b>  9.30am SM Mass  11am HN Mass
<b>26th</b> 9am HN Mass 9.30am HN Stations of the Cross  10am SM Mass  7pm-8pm SM Holy Hour	<b>27th</b> 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	<b>28th</b> <b>Holy Thursday</b>  10am SM Mass  7pm SM Mass	<b>29th</b> <b>Good Friday</b>  3pm HN Liturgy of the Lord's Passion followed by Stations of the Cross  7pm SM Veneration of the Holy Cross	<b>30th</b> <b>Holy Saturday</b>  8pm SM Easter Vigil	<b>31st</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b>  9.30am SM Mass  11am HN Mass

## 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.