



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR B



| DATE | CHURCH | TIME | MASS INTENTION |
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| Saturday 20th | St. Margaret's | 10am – Holy Mass 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession 5.30pm – Holy Mass | Tony Iwanikiw RIP Rose Ann & Derek Cant (Golden Wedding Anniversary) |
| Sunday 21st | St. Margaret's Holy Name | 9.30am – Holy Mass 11am – Holy Mass | |
| Monday 22nd | | NO MASS | |
| Tuesday 23rd | Holy Name St. Margaret's | 9am – Holy Mass 10am – Funeral Mass of Jenny Reed | |
| Wednesday 24th | Holy Name St. Margaret's | 9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass | |
| Thursday 25th | St. Margaret's | 10am – Holy Mass | |
| Friday 26th | St. Margaret's | 10am – Holy Mass | |
| Saturday 27th | St. Margaret's | 10am – Holy Mass 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession 5.30pm – Holy Mass | |

Mass Intentions

Our file containing all future planned mass intentions has been corrupted and unfortunately we have been unable to retrieve it. If you have booked a mass intention to be said from Sunday 21st April onwards please email the office at: priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk or call the Presbytery on 01383 625611 and we will reschedule your mass intention.

Our sincere apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

A Hearty Welcome! If you are just visiting our parish today, we bid you welcome. If this is the first time you have been to Mass for a while, welcome back! We hope our time together unites us in God's love.

PARISH NEWS

Parish Events Calendar

View all events on our online calendar:

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



Obituaries

Please remember in your prayers the following parishioners:

The funeral of **Jenny Reed** who passed away recently, will take place on Tuesday 23rd April at 10am in St. Margaret's.

Margaret Walker who passed away on 9th April. Her funeral will take place on Tuesday 30th April at 12pm in Holy Name.

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

General Volunteers

It has come to our attention that all general volunteers i.e. not PVG group must register their details with the parish. There are General Volunteer Forms at the back of both churches. If you are a volunteer within the Parish and have not yet completed a form please do so and return your form to Fr Syriac, Rosemary Thomson, Ian McDonald or Colleen Izatt.

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer Sessions will continue on Sunday 21st April in the Lady Chapel after 9.30am Mass. Twenty minutes of Centering Prayer followed by video number three 'The Basic Principles of Centering Prayer' by Fr Thomas Keating.

The Gift 24

Don't forget this coming Friday (19th) will be the first session of The Gift 2024. No need to register just turn up on the day at no cost! The first session is "The Fathers Loving Plan" where the teachings are relaxed, personal and informative, rooted in the Bible, the Catechism, Evangelii Gaudium, and reflections on the Holy Spirit from Pope Francis. The Session lasts 30 minutes and include testimonies from laity and clergy. What some parishioners said about last years course: "It has deepened my commitment to my faith and the parish"; "refreshed old teachings that had been forgotten"; "Learned more about praying in the Spirit and I liked the Biblical emphasis"; "It was excellent, thought provoking". Want to know more? Contact David on 01383 872739

Holy Name Teas n Coffees

The next teas n coffees in Holy Name will be on Sunday 21st April and thereafter every second week. Please come and join us for a chat and fabulous baking.

Tea & Toast

Dear All, there will be tea and toast on the following Sundays after 9.30am Mass at St Margaret's: 21, 28, April, 5, 12, 19 May. Dates available for volunteers are: 26 May and 16 June. Please contact Charlotte Macintosh in person or on cjm909@btinternet.com if you can cover one of the remaining dates. To avoid confusion, please only contact me or this so that there is only one point of contact. Thank you.

SMPGA (St. Margaret's Parish Golf Association) 2024

This years golf outing will be held on Sunday 2nd June at Pitreavie Golf Club. Cost is approx £40, to include coffee/tea and hot rolls, round of golf, and 2 course golfers tea/meal afterward. First tee-time will be around 12 noon tbc nearer the time. Please advise your interest to attend to Francis McNicoll by email: francis_mcnicoll@yahoo.co.uk

Sick of the Parish

We would like to ask parishioners of St. Margaret's and Holy Name to remember in your prayers **May Reid, Maureen Japp, Ann Begg, Albert Adams, 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/>

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today (Sunday) is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We pray for Gerard Holden and Matthew McCafferty who are seminarians of the Archdiocese, and particularly for Paul Henderson and Peter Shankland who will both be ordained to the priesthood in July. We also keep in our prayers all priests for their service to God and His people. A second collection will take place today or donations can be made at <https://bit.ly/studentscollection>

Assisted Pilgrims for Lourdes

Do you know someone who is ill or infirm and would enjoy the opportunity to experience a life-changing trip to Lourdes? The Archdiocese is seeking Assisted Pilgrims to join them on the pilgrimage in July. They will receive 24hr support from the brilliant doctors, nurses and volunteers in the Medical/Helper Team and stay in specially equipped accommodation. It will be an unforgettable week with a full spiritual and social programme. Please contact Bernadette on 0131 441 1939 or visit www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/lourdes24



SPOTLIGHT: ST. MARGARET'S PARISH MEN'S GROUP

Objective

The St Margaret's Parish Men's Group has been running in its current form for over 10 years. The objective of the group is to bring together the men of the Parish in Social and Spiritual activities.

Membership

Membership to the Men's Group is informal. All men of the Parish, both St Margaret's and Holy Name, are welcome to join in our meetings and activities. There is no obligation to do anything. If you would like to be kept informed of all our activities please send your email address to stmargaretsmensgroup@gmail.com to be included on our distribution list. We currently have 36 members on our distribution list.

Our Meetings

We usually meet on the first Thursday of the month in the Church Crypt at 7:30pm. We usually get 8 to 12 core members at our meetings. We have an informal social time of about 30 minutes before we start the meeting. Our meeting date / times are published in the Parish Newsletter. All men of the Parish are welcome to attend.

Our Fundraising

We are not a fundraising organisation. However, we often have a financial surplus from the events we run and we will make donations to local, national charities and respond to special appeals.

Our Activities

During Advent and Lent, we run weekly Reflection Group Meetings or participate in Parish run events. We will lead a Stations of the Cross one week during Lent.

Social Events

We run a number of regular social activities; for example a social evening at a local restaurant every two months, day trips, for example our last trip was to the Museum on the Mound, an annual dinner out with our partners, an annual golf outing and theatre trips.

Activities coming up soon are a post Lent dinner at Apricot and a visit to the House of Binns. If you want to join in these activities please see below how you can be included on our distribution list.

Walking Group

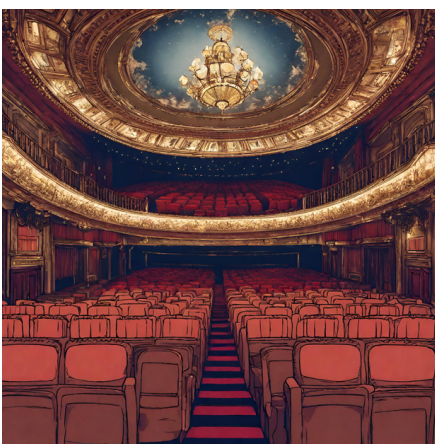
We also host a Walking Group that meets after Sunday Mass when the weather is fair. All Parishioners are welcome to join. We usually walk 6 – 8 miles and include a refreshment stop. This year we will walk sections of the Fife Pilgrim Route.

We have a separate distribution list for this with currently 21 members. If you want to be included in this send your email address to tom.scott0711@gmail.com

Parish Events

We will also run whole Parish events, usually in the Crypt. e.g. Fun Wine/Gin Tasting evening, St. Andrew's Night. These are fun social evenings open to all Parishioners and are advertised in the Parish Newsletter.

Some of our activities are advertised in the Church Newsletter. However, many are not. If you want to be kept up to date with all of the Men's Group activities you will need to be on our email distribution list. If you would like to be included on this send your email address to: stmargaretsmensgroup@gmail.com





PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

| NAME | ROLE | CONTACT |
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| Colleen Izatt | Parish Admin Assistant & Crypt Bookings | Email Address priest.stmargaretedunfermline@staned.org.uk Phone Number: 07706083493 / 01383 625611 |
| | Parish Newsletter Deadline Friday 10am | Email Address stmargaretsnews@gmail.com |
| Parish Communications Team | Parish Website and Social Media | Email Address stmargaretscomms@gmail.com |

PARISH CHARITIES

| Society of St. Vincent de Paul | | One World Group |
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| 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 |
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PARISH OFFERTORIES

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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.stmargaretedunfermline@staned.org.uk
 Should you have any questions about the Sacraments, please email: georgetoal@btinternet.com

Prayer Requests

There is a prayer request box in the Lady Chapel for anyone wishing to add their private and confidential prayer requests. Once a month these will be carried to the altar during mass.



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READINGS

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FIRST READING Acts 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today.

This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

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 117(118):1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my own sheep and my own know me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd.

'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'