



# ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### 11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – YEAR B

Sunday 16th June 2024



*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.*

DATE	CHURCH	TIME & LITURGICAL SERVICE	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 15th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Baptism of Inioluwa Zoe Bada 10.30am – Novena to St. Margaret 10.30am – Confession  5.30pm – Holy Mass	Moira & James Healy   Moira McCrae RIP
<b>Sunday 16th</b>	St. Margaret's <b>Holy Name</b>	9.30am – Holy Mass  <b>11am – Holy Mass</b>	Michael Sweeney RIP  Catherine Ainslie RIP
Monday 17th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 18th	<b>Holy Name</b>  St. Margaret's	<b>9am – Holy Mass</b>  10am – Holy Mass 10.30am – Novena to St. Margaret	Bill O'Hagan RIP  Lee McQuinn (wellbeing)
Wednesday 19th	<b>Holy Name</b>  St. Margaret's	<b>9am – Holy Mass</b>  10am – Holy Mass	Sally Canning RIP  Christine Robertson RIP
Thursday 20th	St. Margaret's  <b>Holy Name</b>	10am – Holy Mass  <b>11.30am – Requiem Mass for William Rennie</b>	Our Lady of Fatima
Friday 21st	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass	Moira McCrae RIP
Saturday 22nd	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession  5.30pm – Holy Mass	Margaret Dellar RIP   Ian Henderson RIP

#### Mass Intentions

If you would like a mass to be offered, complete a Mass Intention envelope (for SM in the card stand; for HN on the table at the entrance of the church) and either hand it to the Priest or put through the Presbytery door. For legibility, please print your intention in block capitals. Please note mass intentions slots can regularly already be filled, up to a month in advance.

**Sacraments** Please contact our Parish Admin Assistant Colleen Izatt to make an appointment with Fr Syriac to arrange Baptisms, Marriages (six months notice required), Sacrament of the Sick and Funerals.



## Obituaries: Please remember in your prayers:

William Rennie who passed away on 31st May. His funeral will take place on Thursday 20th June at 11.30am at Holy Name.

Euphemia (Phami) McGowan who passed away on 30th May. Her funeral will take place on Tuesday 25th June at 11.30am at HN.

Andrew (Andy) Gunn who passed away on 4th June. His funeral will take place on Wednesday 26th at 11.30am at Holy Name.

Moirra Healy who passed away on 10th June. Her funeral will take place on Thursday 27th at 10am at St. Margaret's.

Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved families and friends. May all these faithful departed rest in peace.

## Volunteers for St. Margaret's Pilgrimage

**We desperately need volunteers to support our upcoming pilgrimage. Please make direct contact with Fr Syriac or Ronan McGirr if you can help in any way, or email: [priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk](mailto:priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk) or [ronanmcgirr@btconnect.com](mailto:ronanmcgirr@btconnect.com)**  
**There are also sign up forms on the noticeboard at the back of St. Margaret's and Holy Name Church.**

## Transport to St. Margaret's Pilgrimage

Holy Name Steering Group will provide transport to anyone who would like to attend St. Margaret's Pilgrimage on 23rd June 2024. There is a sign up sheet at the back of Holy Name Church.

## St. Columba's Caritas Marketplace

Volunteers from our Parish attended St. Columba's on Wednesday to meet and speak with Sixth Year pupils who will be undertaking their Caritas Awards in the new term, to inform them of the various volunteering roles we can offer them and to encourage them to get involved. This not only benefits the school & parish mutually, but in participating in this, we are also building a strong relationship with the schools. The Caritas Awards is a great opportunity to reach out and engage with the younger people from our Parish.

## Fire Safety Awareness

40 parishioners who volunteer in a range of roles in the Parish attended our recent Fire Safety Awareness sessions. Many thanks to all those that participated.

## St. Margaret's Primary – New Deputy Headteacher

We would like to extend our congratulations to Helen Hutcheon who has been appointed as the Deputy Headteacher at St. Margaret's Primary School.

## Tea & Toast

We hope to continue this into the Autumn term as numbers are growing and people appreciate the chance to chat after Mass. To do this, we need volunteers to donate a Sunday morning. If you come down to the Crypt after Sunday Mass, there is a schedule of the dates that are available. However, you can also contact me, Charlotte Macintosh on: [cjm909@btinternet.com](mailto:cjm909@btinternet.com) and let me know your availability. We look forward to seeing you and hope you can contribute a morning to help. Thank you.

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

The parish golf outing proposed for 2 June will be rescheduled to a later date. Ronan McGirr will kindly liaise with Pitreavie Golf Club to agree another date which will maximise the benefit of reduced fees for all attendees. The new date will be advised asap.

## Sick of the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for **John McCormack, Jim Cusick, Janet McIlwaine, Cathie Fern, Tom McGiffen, Julia Kirby, Mrs McGuigan, Ruby Sheilds, May Reid, Maureen Japp, Ann Begg, Bert Adams & Esther Wren** during their period of illness. If you would like to add a family member to be remembered in the bidding 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/>

## Day for Life – Pastoral Letter [edit to suit]

This Sunday is Day for Life, which the Church dedicates to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. A pastoral letter from Bishop John Keenan, who has episcopal responsibility for Life Issues in Scotland, is available at the back of the Church. A second collection will take place for the Apostolate of Life.

## Workshop on Assisted Suicide

The Assisted Dying Bill could come into law in Scotland in soon. The Archdiocese is hosting a workshop in the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh on Tuesday 18 June at 7:30pm to show you how to engage with, and inform others, about concerns arising from this proposed law. Free event. Register at <https://bit.ly/calledtocarenotkill>





## SPOTLIGHT: ST. MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE

### St. Margaret's Pilgrimage – Sunday 23 June

We are all invited to gather in faith and thanksgiving on Sunday 23rd June, to celebrate St. Margaret as the procession returns this year, which has been considered as an integral part of the pilgrimage.

The pilgrimage itself has a history stretching back over 750 years. Archbishop Cushley said: *"St Margaret's influence and legacy is extraordinary and much of her work was done in the historic capital of Dunfermline. Her virtue and holiness helped to transform not just her own family but the life of the nation for the next thousand years. We're looking forward to the return of the procession, which is a much-loved part of the day and a chance to honour in public the Pearl of Scotland."*

Hundreds of Catholics will walk alongside pupils, nuns, priests and major Catholic organisations such as the Knights of St Columba, the Order of Malta, the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre and the Guild of St Margaret. The holy relic of the saint will be carried at the head of the procession by Archbishop Cushley.

### Schedule

**12:30pm:** Prayer service at the tomb of St. Margaret at Dunfermline Abbey.

**2:00pm:** Procession from Pittencrieff Park Gates to St. Margaret's Memorial Church.

**3:00pm:** Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley and blessing from relic of St Margaret.

### St. Margaret's Cave

St. Margaret's Cave will be open on the day for visitors from 12:15pm to 3:30pm. We recommend that pilgrims visit the cave and descend the atmospheric 87 steps to where St Margaret prayed over 900 years ago. Dunfermline Abbey will also be open directly after the 12:30pm prayer service.



Processing up the High Street



Archbishop Cushley with the relic of St Margaret

### History of The Pilgrimage

The roots of the St. Margaret Summer Pilgrimage go back to June 1250 when, following her canonisation by Pope Innocent IV, the saint's relics were taken to a new shrine at Dunfermline Abbey. An annual pilgrimage to Dunfermline soon emerged and continued until the 16th century. It was revived in 1899 and continued again until 1974. During the 1960s the pilgrimage attracted so many people that it was held at East End Park, the stadium of Dunfermline Athletic. The pilgrimage was even televised in 1967. St. Margaret's Pilgrimage recommenced in 2015 at the request of Archbishop Cushley.



The St Margaret Pilgrimage at East End Park, Dunfermline

St. Margaret is 'our' saint, she lived here in Dunfermline, she walked in our streets. We should be proud of this local connection. The pilgrimage is an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate her life and her legacy to our church communities. Let us pray for good weather and a big turn-out.

**"St Margaret's influence and legacy is extraordinary.. Her virtue and holiness helped transform not just her own family but the life of the nation for the next thousand years."**

Archbishop Leo Cushley

# PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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## 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 placed at the Altar during mass, then destroyed unread.

## Livestreaming

All Liturgical Services in this church are livestreamed.

## PARISH & CHARITY BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

BANK ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT NO	SORT CODE	OFFERTORIES
<b>St. Margaret's</b>	St Margaret's R C Church	00720303	80 - 06 - 55	<b>SM</b> 
<b>Holy Name</b>	The Holy Name Parish	00176355	83-33-00	
<b>SSVP St. Margaret's</b>	SSVP AE02044	00768139	80 - 06 - 55	
<b>SSVP Holy Name</b>	SSVP AE02040	13364166	80 - 22 - 60	<b>HN</b> 
<b>One World Group</b>	St. Margaret's One World Group	10191867	83-33-00	

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# SCRIPTURE READINGS

## 11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)



### FIRST READING Ezekiel 17:22–24

The Lord says this:

‘From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar.

Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green.

I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.’

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

### SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5:6–10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord.

Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

### 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 91(92):2–3,13–16

*It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn15:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL Mark 4:26–34

Jesus said to the crowds: ‘This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.’

He also said, ‘What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.’

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**



# ST MARGARET PILGRIMAGE

DUNFERMLINE | SUNDAY 23 JUNE

Gathering in **faith and thanksgiving**  
to celebrate the Pearl of Scotland

## PRAYERS

**12:30PM | DUNFERMLINE ABBEY**

An ecumenical prayer service and laying of flowers at  
the tomb of St Margaret at the historic abbey.

## PROCESSION

**2:00PM | GLEN GATES**

Procession led by Archbishop Leo Cushley from Pittencrieff  
Park (Bridge St) to St Margaret's Memorial Church, East Port.

## HOLY MASS

**3:00PM | ST MARGARET'S CHURCH**

Mass with Archbishop Cushley and priests of the Archdiocese  
and blessing with the relic of St Margaret.



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