



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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20TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)

Sunday 18th August 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 17th St. Bartholomew	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass 10.30am - Novena of St. Margaret 10.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am - Confession 12pm - Baptism of baby Gregor 5.30pm - Holy Mass	Moira Healy RIP Daniel Kelly
Sunday 18th	St. Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am - Holy Mass 10.30am - Novena of St. Margaret 11am - Holy Mass	Hugo Donaldson RIP People of the Parish
Monday 19th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 20th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am - Holy Mass 10am - Holy Mass	James & David McLure RIP Mrs Phyllis Kingham RIP
Wednesday 21st	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am - Holy Mass 10am - Holy Mass	Liz McGuinness RIP Archie MacIntosh RIP
Thursday 22nd The Queenship of the BVM	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass	Charles McGiffen RIP
Friday 23rd	St. Margaret's	10am - Funeral Mass for Archibald McIntosh	
Saturday 24th	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass 10.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am - Confession 5.30pm - Holy Mass	Shaun McGuinness RIP Hugo Donaldson RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Is available on Saturdays after 10am Mass in St. Margaret's and on request at Holy Name.

Daily Opening of St. Margaret's Church

The church will now be opened on a daily basis, excluding Mondays, from 9am-4pm, to allow quiet time for personal prayer and reflection.

PARISH NEWS

Parish Events Calendar
View all events on our online calendar:
<https://stmargaretsdunfermline.co.uk/events-calendar/>



Obituaries: Please remember in your prayers:

Fr Kingham's mother's funeral – Monday 19 August 5.30pm – Reception of Remains – St Paul's Church, Glenrothes.
Tuesday 20 August 12pm – Funeral Mass – St Paul's Church, Glenrothes and thereafter to Hayfield Cemetery, Kirkcaldy.
Archibald McIntosh – There will be a funeral mass for Archibald McIntosh on Friday 23rd August at 10am at St. Margaret's. Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved families and friends. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

ONE WORLD GROUP BREAKFAST after 9:30 mass

Please support this venture by coming down to the crypt after mass. You can enjoy a delicious bacon or sausage roll. We have a few gluten free rolls available if required.

Introduction to Centering Prayer – Save the Date

20th August 6pm – 8pm: Prayer as Relationship and The Method of Centering Prayer. 3rd September 6pm – 8pm: Thoughts and the Sacred Word. Both events to take place in the Lady Chapel. To register interest email hugh@couk.org.uk

The Big Picture

Tuesday 27th August is the start of our new CaFE course "The Big Picture" which is a Bible Study from Genesis to Revelation, <https://faithcafe.org/collections/the-big-picture-course>. It has 12 sessions and will be every first Tuesday of the month (except for the 27th). The course is similar to "The Gift" being run cafe style with light refreshments, a video talk then small group sharing. Start 18:30 finish 20:00. Each attendee is encouraged to purchase a workbook which also contains a DVD with all the talks so even if you are not able to attend all sessions you can keep up to date at home. Formal registration is not required but if you feel drawn to attend the course it would be appreciated if you would contact David about the purchase of the workbook/DVD. A discount price of £9.00 has been given to us by CaFE and there are 15 books immediately available. See poster at the back of the church or contact David 01383 872739, email dhambleyuk@yahoo.co.uk

Teas and Toast after Sunday morning Mass

Happily this will resume on Sunday 25th Aug and run until Sunday 29th Sept. There will be a break for the Oct holiday, hopefully resuming on Sunday 27th Oct. I say, hopefully, as we need volunteers to make it so. None of the dates are filled for after the Oct break. Please come down to support this on the Sundays it runs and definitely consider volunteering a Sunday to enable this much needed social contact to continue. If you would like to give one Sunday morning to this, please contact me personally, put your name on the list while at the T&T or on cjm909@btinternet.com Thank you. Charlotte Macintosh

RCIA

The RCIA will begin on Monday 2nd September at 6.30pm in the crypt. Would you please take this invitation to a family member or friend that you know who may be interested in learning the Catholic faith and get into full communion with the church. The welcome is extended to all those who wish to return to the Catholic faith. To enquire further please contact the Parish office: priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk

Sick of the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for **Nan Lomas, John Tonner, Margaret Fotheringham, Jim Cusick, Janet McIlwaine, Moira McGuigan, May Reid, Ann Begg, Esther Wren and Margaret & Joe Wilson** 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, and inform us when their names are to be removed from the list.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

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

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Carfin

Join people from across the Archdiocese in Carfin this Sunday for the annual pilgrimage, led by Archbishop Leo Cushley. Rosary Procession at 2:00pm followed by Holy Mass at 3:00pm.

Day for Altar Servers

A day of training, games and prayer for altar servers on Saturday 31 August. Concludes with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley. Speak to your parish priest to register your child(ren).

Season of Creation

A season of creation conference takes place at St Margaret's, Drip Road, Stirling, on Saturday 7 September from 10:00am–3:00pm. This year's theme is hope and act for creation. Register at www.tinyurl.com/46wmt9ah. A separate online event will take place on Thursday 19 September with Fr Joshtrom Kureethadam at 7:00pm. Register at <https://bit.ly/hopeactcreation> Both events are hosted by the Bishops' Conference of Scotland's Care of Creation Office.



SPOTLIGHT: PARISH PASSKEEPERS

You are probably reading this week's focus article from a bulletin handed to you by one of the church passkeepers as you entered the church.

This small group of volunteers assist Fr Syriac and our parish community by welcoming, directing and assisting parishioners and visitors at each Mass, ensuring that services run smoothly. You will recognise the photographs of some familiar faces who are regular helpers at the 5.30pm, 9.30am and 11am parish services. There are many other volunteers who help out on occasion when the need arises.



Christina Tonner

DUTIES

Passkeeper duties start before Mass in helping with any parking issues and trying to ensure that the area in front of the main doors is kept clear for emergency vehicles and as a safe piazza for parishioners to mingle and chat after services. The passkeepers welcome the congregation as they enter the building, distributing bulletins, hymn books and leaflets as required. They take special care of any elderly parishioners and those with special needs.

During Mass, passkeepers are responsible for organising the Offertory Procession and ensuring that any collections are undertaken with as little disruption to the service as possible. At Communion, they direct communicants to approach the altar ensuring a steady flow in the aisles. They also alert eucharistic ministers to anyone who cannot go forward.

At the end of Mass, passkeepers do a quick sweep of the church to ensure that it is left tidy and secure. The passkeepers have a representative from both Holy Name and St. Margaret's on the Parish Liturgy Committee to help to plan the annual Liturgical Calendar and to contribute to preparations and arrangements for special services. This includes Advent, Lent, Eastertide, St Margaret's etc. It is an important part of our service to the Lord to contribute to the celebration of Mass by helping as a passkeeper.

WHO?

Anyone, male or female, of any age can be a passkeeper. That can be as someone to be called on when the need arises or, better still, to volunteer on a regular basis. If you are interested, please give your details to Fr Syriac or any of the regular faces!



LtoR: Ben Conway, Neil Walker, Iain Little & Peter Whyte



LtoR: John Breen, Tricia Doolan, Tom Canning Jr, Tom Smith, Tommy McGowan & Gerry Crielly



LtoR: John Hutcheon, Jean Connors & Andy Buchanan



This article is dedicated to the memory of John "the Parish Painter" McCormack, recently deceased passkeeper at St. Margaret's.

A CANADIAN TOURIST'S FEEDBACK

On Sun 4th Aug, my entire family joined Sunday Mass with all of you. My parents were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, and we all gathered in Scotland for the occasion.



When we arrived to Mass, your passkeepers were so welcoming and we couldn't believe how quickly you mobilized to make the Mass special for my parents. We went on a lot of amazing adventures while we were in Scotland, but my parents both agree that Mass was their favourite part of the trip.

That is in huge thanks to all of you at St. Margaret's that made them feel honoured and blessed. So I just wanted to take a minute and thank you for that.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME	ROLE	CONTACT	WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS
Fr. Syriac Palakudiyil Presbytery & Parish Office Address:	Parish Administrator	Email: frsyriac.palakudiyil@staned.org.uk Phone: 01383 625611 St. Margaret's Presbytery, 4 Viewfield Terrace, Dunfermline, KY12 7HZ	Date: 10th / 11th August
Colleen Izatt	Parish Admin Asst & Crypt Bookings	Email: priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk Phone: 07706 083493 / 01383 625611	SM £855.10
Colleen Izatt	Parish Newsletter	Email: stmargaretsnews@gmail.com Deadline Friday 10am	Holy Name Not available
Parish Communications Team	Parish Website & Social Media	Email: stmargaretscomms@gmail.com	These figures do not include monies received via Standing Orders or Direct Debits.

PARISH & CHARITY BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

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



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SCRIPTURE READINGS

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FIRST READING Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built herself a house, she has erected her seven pillars, she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine, she has laid her table.

She has despatched her maidservants and proclaimed from the city's heights: 'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.' To the fool she says, 'Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared! Leave your folly and you will live, walk in the ways of perception.'

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Ephesians 5:15-20

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead, like intelligent and not like senseless people. This may be a wicked age, but you redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but recognise what is the will of the Lord. Do not drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissipation; be filled with the Spirit.

Sing the words and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you are together, and go on singing and chanting to the Lord in your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Thanks be to God

GOSPEL John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowd:
'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 33(34):2-3,10-15

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn1:14,12

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Word was made flesh and lived
among us:
to all who did accept him
he gave power to become children of God.
Alleluia!

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.

