



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)

Sunday 25th 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 24th St. Bartholomew | 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 |
| Sunday 25th | St. Margaret's Holy Name | 9.30am - Holy Mass 11am - Holy Mass | Paul & Thomas Brannan RIP Monica Kelly (Birthday Remembrance) |
| Monday 26th | | NO MASS | |
| Tuesday 27th | Holy Name St. Margaret's | 9am - Holy Mass 10am - Holy Mass | Louis & Helen Lamont Archie MacIntosh RIP |
| Wednesday 28th | Holy Name St. Margaret's | 9am - Holy Mass 10am - Holy Mass | Bill Penman RIP Solomon & Family |
| Thursday 29th | St. Margaret's | 10am - Holy Mass | Fr Chris |
| Friday 30th | St. Margaret's | 10am - Funeral Mass for Archibald McIntosh | For unborn Children |
| Saturday 31st | St. Margaret's | 10am - Holy Mass 10.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am - Confession 5.30pm - Holy Mass | Alice Payne (80th Birthday) Tony Cascarino (wellbeing) |

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.

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



Obituary: Please remember in your prayers:

Leo Maloco – There will be a funeral mass for Leo Maloco on Wednesday 4th September at 10am at St. Margaret's. Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved family and friends. May his soul rest in peace.

Introduction to Centering Prayer – Save the Date

Lady Chapel – 3rd Sept 6pm–8pm: Thoughts and the Sacred Word. To register interest email hugh@couk.org.uk

The Big Picture

Starts this coming Tuesday 27th August in St Margaret's Crypt, Start 18:30 Finish 20:00. The course is similar to "The Gift" being run Cafe style with light refreshments, a video talk, workbook/journal and small group sharing. The workbook contains a DVD which holds all the talks so if you are unable to attend a session you can still keep up at home, these books cost £9.00. The programme for the first session is printed on the back of the Readings page of this bulletin. If you would like a workbook/DVD in advance contact David on 01383 872739 or e mail dhambleyuk@yahoo.co.uk.

Holy Name Teas n Coffees

Teas n coffees on a Sunday after 11am Mass start again on 25th August. The good news is that there are enough volunteers now to ensure it can happen every week. So why not stay and enjoy some of the best baking in Fife? Hope to see you there.

Teas and Toast after Sunday morning Mass at St. Margaret's

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 soon begin early in September. 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 also to all those who wish to return to the Catholic faith. To enquire further, please contact the Parish office: priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk

Parish Golf Outing

The parish golf outing will take place on Sunday 1 September at Pitreavie Golf Club. 12 players have confirmed to play. Please arrive at high noon for coffee, bacon rolls and pre match briefing. We are trying to minimize costs by using club members sign on so exact price will be advised nearer the time.

Sick of the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for **Margaret McPherson, Anne Donaldson, Nan Lomas, John Tonner, Margaret Fotheringham, Jim Cusick, Janet McIlwaine, Moira McGuigan, May Reid, Ann Beggs, 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/>

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).

Justice & Peace Mass

The annual Caritas, Justice & Peace Mass takes place at St Columba's, 9 Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh, EH9 1SN on Monday 2 September at 7:00pm. It is a chance to worship together and celebrate the work done in parishes on Justice & Peace issues. After Mass there will be a hot food buffet in the church hall and a chance to meet members of the Archdiocesan Caritas, Justice & Peace Commission.

Season of Creation

A season of creation conference takes place at St Margaret's, Drip Road, Stirling, on Saturday 7 September from 10am–3pm. This year's theme is hope and act for creation. The guest speaker is Ben Wilson, Director of Public Engagement for SCIAF. 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.



THE BIG PICTURE

YOU, THE BIBLE & GOD'S BIG PLAN

THE BIG PICTURE

A very enjoyable journey through the Bible for both those new to Scripture study as well as those with a deeper knowledge of the Bible.

Contact 01383 872739 David.

CaFE & Bible Society

Session Programme

Start 18:30 Finish 20:00.

Introductory video and talk.

Small group discussion.

Session 1 THE PLAN (Gods Plan for Salvation)

Final announcements

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

| NAME | ROLE | CONTACT |
|--|------------------------------------|---|
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WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS



Date: 17th / 18th August

SM
£881.30

Holy Name

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 Joshua 24:1-2,15-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people, 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.'

The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed? What is more, the Lord drove all those peoples out before us, as well as the Amorites who used to live in this country. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Ephesians 5:21-32

Follow Christ by loving as he loved you. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless.

In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts.

For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL John 6:60-69

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?'

'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.'

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 33(34):2-3,16-23

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Jn 6:63,68

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;
you have the message of eternal life.
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.

CENTERING PRAYER



Introduction DAY-2

Tuesday 3rd September 2024 from 6 to 8 pm

Centering Prayer is more than meditation.

In Centering Prayer we place before God our intention to consent to his presence and action within us.

The rest we leave to Him.

To find out more or register, send an email:
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