

ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER HOME OF ST. MARGARET'S RELIC

5TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - YEAR (C) 9th February 2025





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 8th	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass 10.30am-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am - Confession	Betty McWilliams RIP	
		5.30pm - Holy Mass	Moira & James Healy RIP	
Sunday 9th	St. Margaret's	9.30am - Holy Mass	James Healy RIP	
	Holy Name	11am - Holy Mass	For Health & Healing of the Sick	
Monday 10th	St. Margaret's	NO MASS		
Tuesday 11th	Holy Name	9am - Holy Mass	Thanksgiving (Margaret O'Donnell)	
	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	Stella McLaughlin RIP	
Wednesday 12th	Holy Name	9am - Holy Mass	John Tonner RIP	
	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	Vera Thompson RIP	
Thursday 13th	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	May McCarron RIP	
	Holy Name	11.30am - Requiem Mass for Bill Merrick		
Friday 14th	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	James Healy RIP	
Saturday 15th	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret 10.30am-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am - Confession	Moira Healy RIP	
		5.30pm - Holy Mass	James Healy 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.

Novena of St. Margaret

The Novena of St. Margaret will be held every month from the 10th to 18th after morning mass at St. Margaret's.

Livestreaming All Liturgical Services in St. Margaret's Church are livestreamed.

Obituary: Please remember in your prayers:

William (Bill) Merrick; Funeral will take place on Thursday 13th February at 11.30am with requiem mass in Holy Name followed by burial at Culross Cemetery. The Holy Rosary will be said for Bill Merrick as he rests at home in Carnock on Wednesday evening between 6pm and 7 pm and anyone who would like to come to the house and spend a little time with Bill and the family will be assured a very warm welcome and a Cup of Tea and a Sandwich etc afterwards. The address is 51 Hawthornbank, Carnock.

Janet Carberry; Funeral will take place on Wednesday 19th February at 11.30am with requiem mass in Holy Name followed by burial at Culross Cemetery.

May the souls of all the faithful departed Rest In Peace. Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved families and friends.

One World Breakfast

One World Breakfast planned for next week Sunday 16th February. All welcome. Delicious bacon or sausage rolls to enjoy with good company and to help raise money for the OWG. Thanks to your ongoing generosity we are able to sponsor Geveh Fanchee school in Liberia for another year (through Mary's Meals).

Holy Name Primary School is holding a coffee afternoon on Monday 10th February at 2.15pm.

Contemplative Prayer

The Contemplative Prayer Meeting will take place at 6pm each Wednesday evening in the Lady Chapel. All are welcome.

World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer will be held in St. Ninians Church, 1 Allan Crescent, Dunfermline at 2pm on Friday 7th March. All welcome.

The Big Picture

We met in the Crypt last Tuesday after a two month break. Although down in numbers due to illness & holidays we did welcome a new member who made valuable contributions to our exploration of "The Fall" and how it corrupts our relationship with God to this day. Our next meeting is on March 4th (Shrove Tuesday) when we will be exploring God's building of "His People" including ourselves. David 872739.

St. Margaret's Tea n Toast

Teas n Toast as usual this week. Please consider volunteering one of your Sundays to run this very important social event for the Parish. Please contact me, Charlotte Macintosh, <u>cjm909@btinternet.com</u> if you are able to contribute. Thank you.

Donegal people at work in Scotland between 1940 and 1990

Donegal County Council is seeking photographs of Donegal people at work in Scotland between 1940 and 1990 for an upcoming exhibition. Participants are encouraged to share images, stories, documents or objects that reflect the working lives of Donegal people in Scotland. For more information contact: <u>donegalscotland@donegalcoco.ie</u> or +353 74 916 3824. The exhibition will be launched in spring 2025.

Sick in the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for: **Peter Hughes, Gail Pearce, Elaine Cormack, Denise Reilly, Jane Fentiman, Maureen Black, Margaret McPherson, Anne Donaldson Nan Lomas, Margaret Fotheringham, Jim Cusick, Janet McIlwaine, Moira McGuigan, May Reid, Ann Begg, Esther Wren and Margaret Wilson** during their period of illness. If you would like to add a family member or friend to be remembered in the bidding prayers, please complete the form which can be found at the back of the church.

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For a full list of upcoming events in the Diocese visit: www.archedinburgh.org/news-events



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World Day for Marriage

World Day for Marriage is on 9 February and we pray particularly for all married couples, that God may daily give them the strength and energy to support one another and their families. We especially pray that those who are experiencing difficulties in their relationship may seek help, either from the diocesan marriage counsellor (<u>marriage.counsellor@staned.org.uk</u>) or from organisations such as Retrouvaille <u>www.retrouvaille.org.uk</u>

Afternoon retreat for couples

The Archdiocese has organised a Valentine's mini-retreat for married and engaged couples from 2-5pm on Saturday 15 February at St Kentigern's Church, 26 Parkgrove Avenue, Edinburgh, EH4 7QR. The speaker is Fr Andrew Garden (St David's, Dalkeith) and the event is free. Register at <u>bit.ly/valretreat25</u>

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 11-18 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 <u>www.edinburgh-</u>lourdes.com/lourdes24

SPOTLIGHT: ST. MARGARET'S PARISH REGISTER - 1st UPDATE

St. Margaret's Parish Register Team would like to say a big thank you to all who have already registered.

Between St. Margaret's & Holy Name, 102 parishioners have now registered online using the QR code or weblink. 90 paper forms have been received & entered.

This brings us to 192 parishioners registered in under 2 weeks since its launch!

How to Register

You have a choice of how you can get yourself on the register: You can use your mobile & the QR code or, if you prefer, you can fill in the paper form and return it when convenient. Paper copies can be found at the entrance of each church, along with a box to return them in.

Registration Instructions

1. Use QR code or enter following link into your browser stmargaretsrcchurch.churchsuite.com/forms/8e2u8r3e

- How to scan a QR code with your phone: 1. Open the camera app
 - 2. Point it at the QR code
 - 3. Tap the notification that appears
 - 4. Follow the on-screen instructions

- 2. Enter your details
- 3. An email will be sent with an invitation to My ChurchSuite. You are now on the Parish Register! You can use My ChurchSuite to edit your personal information, and to update your contact preferences.

If anyone has any questions or issues, please do not hesitate to reach out for support on: <u>priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk</u>or 07706 083493 or 01383 625611

Benefits of having a parish register

Improved Communication

The Parish Register will serve as a centralized resource for keeping parishioners informed about important updates, events, and initiatives. Whether it's sharing schedules, delivering newsletters, or announcing urgent messages, the register ensures timely and accurate communication with everyone in the parish community.

Reduced Risk of Exclusion

Without a register, some parishioners might miss important information or opportunities to participate in parish activities. The register minimizes this risk by providing an inclusive communication framework that reaches everyone.

Stronger Community Connection

By engaging every parishioner through better communication, the register will help to create a stronger sense of unity and belonging. It supports the Synod's emphasis on Communion by ensuring that no one feels overlooked or disconnected from parish life.

Enhanced Lay Participation

The Synod highlighted the importance of lay participation in building a vibrant parish community. The register will help to identify individuals who may wish to contribute their skills, time, or leadership in various parish ministries, events, or outreach programs, aligning with the call for greater participation.

Streamlined Parish Activities

An accurate and up-to-date register simplifies planning and organizing parish activities. It allows the parish to efficiently manage volunteer efforts, event participation, and pastoral outreach. For example, coordinating with parishioners for events like retreats, fundraisers, or social gatherings becomes much smoother.

Easier Outreach to New Members

The register will also help to welcome and integrate new members into the parish, ensuring they feel connected and informed from the start.



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Sacraments Please email or phone the Parish office to make an appointment with Fr Syriac to arrange: Baptisms, Marriages (6 months notice req'd), Funerals, Sacrament of the Sick or visits to the Housebound/Hospital.									
UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - 2025									
SM Parish Building Fund 1st Sun every month	30th March - <u>Diocesan</u> SCIAF & Episcopal		4th May - <u>Diocesan</u> Lenten Alms		11th May - <u>Diocesan</u> Ecclesiastical Students		1st June - <u>Bishops Conf</u> Communication		
WEEKLY OFFERTORY & MONTHLY STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBITS SPECIAL COLLECTION						ECIAL COLLECTION			
SM: 26th Jan & 2nd Feb Offertory £520 & £537.91 SO/DD £1020.00			HN - MONTHLY OFFERTORY: 12/12 - 1 Offertory £1974.63 - SO/DD £1069			SM Parish Building Fund 1st & 2nd Feb - £611.20			
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SCRIPTURE READINGS 5TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - YEAR (C)



FIRST READING Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the Temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!'

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: 'Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.'

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Then I said, 'Here I am! Send me.'

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

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 11

Brothers and Sisters: I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the Apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11

At that time: The crowd was pressing in on Jesus to hear the word of God. He was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.' And Simon answered, 'Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.' And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.'

For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.' And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 138(137):1-2a. 2bc, 3. 4-5. 7c-8. R1c In the presence of the angels I praise you, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Matthew 4:19 Alleluia, alleluia. Follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of men. 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.

One World Group Breakfast

Sunday 16th February - After 9.30am mass



The One World Group will be holding a breakfast in St. Margaret's crypt on Sunday 16th February.

This can be a great social occasion. Please come downstairs after mass for bacon rolls, sausage rolls, tea, coffee & juice. Gluten-free rolls available.

There is no fixed charge. Please just leave what you can afford to help Mary's Meals and the other charities supported by the parish One World Group.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE FEED YOUR FAITH 2025 WAYS OF PRAYER

