



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – YEAR (C)

15th June 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 14th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret 11am – P4 First Holy Communion 5.30pm – Holy Mass	Our Lady of Lourdes First Holy Communion John Bain RIP
Sunday 15th <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>	St. Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am – Holy Mass 11am – Holy Mass	Maureen McIntosh (80 th birthday) Denis O'Neill RIP
Monday 16th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 17th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret	Catherine Ainslie RIP Kathleen Sweeney RIP
Wednesday 18th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret	Winifred Solomon (Shields) RIP Ellie Crosse (Thanksgiving)
Thursday 19th	St. Margaret's Holy Name	10am – Holy Mass 12pm – Requiem Mass for Jim Cusick	Chrystine Robertson RIP
Friday 20th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass 7pm – Holy Mass – Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession	Maira McGuigan RIP Maira McGuigan RIP
Saturday 21st	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass 5.30pm – Holy Mass	David Corr RIP John McCormack 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.

Daily Opening of St. Margaret's Church

The church will be open daily, excluding Mondays, from 9am–12pm, to allow quiet time for personal prayer and reflection.

Parish Newsletter

As a parish, we want to share our news with past, current & future parishioners so please feel free to take a copy of the newsletter for a family member, a neighbour or anyone unable to come to church. Email stmargaretsnews@gmail.com to receive the weekly newsletter.

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.



Obituaries: Please remember in your prayers:

Jim Cusick; His funeral will take place at Holy Name with requiem mass on Thursday 19th June at 12pm, followed by interment at Culross Cemetery.

Andrew Penman; His funeral will take place at Dunfermline Crematorium on Tuesday 24th June at 11.30am.

Rosa Ranken; Her funeral will be held at St Margaret's with requiem mass at 10am on Thursday 3rd July, followed by interment at Dunfermline Cemetery. Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved families and friends. May their souls rest in peace.

SSVP Holy Name

Commissioning of the Society of St Vincent de Paul members will take place this Sunday, 15th June, during Mass at Holy Name.

Primary 4 First Holy Communions

On Saturday 14th June, 18 Primary 4 children from St Margaret's Primary school took their first holy communion. Our blessings and congratulations to them all and their families on this special occasion in their faith journey.

Contemplative Prayer

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

Ladies Group Games Night

The Ladies Group is having a games night on Tuesday 17th June at 7pm, in St Margaret's Crypt. All ladies are welcome.

Big Picture, Session 11

The next Big Picture Bible study session will take place on Tuesday 17th June 6.30-8.30pm in the Lady Chapel. Even though we are approaching the "End Times" of the course with only 2 sessions left you are still welcome to join us as everyone has a workbook and DVD so you can catch up at home. Contact David Hambley for more info on 01383 872739.

Bereavement Group - last Thursday of the month

Bereaved members of the Parish are invited to join us for 'Tea and a Chat' in the Crypt on Thursday 26th June between 1.30-3pm. No formal counselling, just support and socialising. Bring a friend if you like!

Holy Name Primary School

Our Primary 7 Leaver's Mass will be celebrated in the school on Wednesday 2nd July at 11am. All parishioners are warmly invited.

A huge THANK YOU One World Group

Thank you to all the Parishioners for supporting our Craft Fayre! Thanks to your generous donations of gifts, money, and attendance, we raised an amazing £667! Combined with regular donations and proceeds from the last OWG breakfast, we disbursed the funds to SCIAF's Holy Land Crisis Appeal, Mary's Meals, PEAS, and the Myanmar Earthquake Appeal. None of this would have been possible without your support—thank you! Given the success, we're planning another Craft Fayre in November.

Sick in the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for: Jane Cumming, Peter McCourt, James Payne, John Cassells, Teresa Lynch, Andrew Kelly, Gail Pearce, Elaine Cormack, Denise Reilly, Jane Fentiman, Maureen Black, Margaret McPherson, Anne Donaldson, Nan Lomas, Margaret Fotheringham, Janet McIlwaine, Esther Wren and Margaret Wilson during their period of illness. If you would like a family member or friend to be remembered in the bidding prayers, please complete the form which are at the back of each church.

Pastoral Visits for the Sick and Housebound

If you or a loved one need a visit from Fr Syriac or one of the Eucharistic Ministers due to illness, hospitalisation, or being housebound, we are here for you. To arrange a visit, please contact the parish office.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

For a full list of upcoming events
in the Diocese visit:

www.archedinburgh.org/news-events

Archdiocesan Corpus Christi Procession: Sunday 22 June

Archbishop Leo will lead the Archdiocesan Corpus Christi Procession from St Patrick's Church in Kilsyth at 3pm on Sunday 22 June. All welcome! First Holy Communicants are invited to take a special place in the procession wearing their formal clothes. Free shuttle bus from Croy train station to the Church - to book please email priest.stpatrickskilsyth@staned.org.uk or 01236 822136. Full event details at archedinburgh.org/news-events

Day for Life: Special Collection

The Day for Life is when we celebrate the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. This year's theme is *Hope Does Not Disappoint - Finding Meaning in Suffering* and we are invited to pray for those who suffer and to remain with them, bearing witness to their unique and unrepeatable value. A special collection will be taken up at Mass for the work of the apostolate of life.

Study Catholic Theology in Edinburgh

Interested in finding out more about the MA in Applied Catholic Theology at St Mary's University Scottish campus in Edinburgh? An online information event takes place at 6:00pm this Tuesday (17 June) where you can hear from staff and current students. Register at bit.ly/stmarysuni or email stephen.dolan@stmarys.ac.uk

Portraits of Courage

Aid to the Church in Need hosts a moving photo exhibition on the plight of persecuted Christians across the world. It takes place on Thursday 19 June from 6:00-8:00pm at Dalziel Building, 7 Scott Street, Motherwell ML1 1PN. Tickets are free by calling 01698 337 470 or search 'Portraits of Courage' on Eventbrite.

SPOTLIGHT: ST MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE



What a glorious celebration of our Saint Margaret! Sunday 8 June 2025

Dear Parishioners,

I greet you with great gratitude and love from the bottom of my heart! Through the divine intercession of St Margaret, our patron, we have been blessed to have a wonderful celebration of her life and legacy which was highly esteemed and shared by many people who gathered in this sacred land (where she lived – and we live) on last Sunday for St Margaret's Pilgrimage.

Heartfelt thanks to our dedicated volunteers from every group who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make the Pilgrimage a resounding success! Your selflessness and commitment brought our community closer.

Thank you to all the parishioners who attended: for your presence, prayers, and participation!

Thank you to all who opted to be at home and pray for the success of this great spiritual event hosted by our parish. Thank you to those who could not be the part of it due to various reasons: your absence was sadly felt!



Father Syriac

I HAVE MADE AN OFFICIAL THANKS GIVING ON THE DAY OF PILGRIMAGE; HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK AND APPRECIATE ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS BY NAME FOR MAKING THIS BIG SACRIFICE FOR THE COMMUNITY:

Coordinators

Ronan McGirr
Colin Caldwell

Liturgy

Amanda Dellar
Tom Condie
Cathy Dellar

Fabric Committee (Lights, Sound, AV)

Paddy Mallan
Mike Pendlowski

Mobile Van Unit

Mike Robertson
David Hunter
Tom Canning

Marshalls

Peter Seath
Martin Wilkinson
Solomon Patel
Kieran Grattan
John McDonald
Niamh McGirr

Music Group

Amanda Dellar – keyboard & organ
Fran McNicoll – guitar
Stephen Downie – guitar
Bryan Little – string player
Dominic McLaughlan – clarinet – OLOL
Julie Sullivan – vocalist – OLOL
Estelle Holligan – vocalist
Elaine McNicoll – vocalist
Sara Downie – vocalist
Jim Robinson – vocalist
Susi Lunn – vocalist
Seonaid Black – vocalist
Iliana – vocalist

Readers

Tim Hall
Pat Archibald
David Hambley (arranged)

Altar Servers

Niamh Grattan
Ruby Grattan
Niamh McGirr

Florists

Evelyn Dunn
Sonia Mallan
Liz Mallan
Amanda Dellar

Passkeepers

Ben Conway
Jean Connor
Christina Tonner
John Hutcheon
Neil Walker

Catering

Connie Downs
Colleen Gilchrist
Leanna Matheson
Connor Matheson
Senga Gribbon
Kay Frizell
Liz Slater
Teresa Little

Photographer

John Stephens

Schools Teacher

Helen Hutcheon

Laundry of Altar Linen

Anne Harris
John Harris

Dust-Busters Cleaning Team

Kathleen Lock
Ann Paris
Aileen Mirrey
Ludi Kotesovska
Teresa Little
Margaret MacPherson
Fances Rice
Amauchenna Odineze

Transport for Archbishop

Mike Gribbon

Transportation of Clergy Vestments from Edinburgh

Mike Robertson
David Hunter

Admin & Comms

Colleen Gilchrist
Sonia Mallan

**FORGIVE ME IF THERE ARE ANY NAMES I HAVE INADVERTANTLY OMITTED!
GOD BLESS, FATHER SYRIAC**

SPOTLIGHT: ST MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE



A WORD OF THANKS FROM OUR PILGRIMAGE COORDINATOR

The sun shone on the St Margaret's Pilgrimage again and I want to thank all that helped to provide the pilgrims with a joyful and spiritual experience wrapped up with a warm welcome. The church looked its finest with a beautiful floral display, the music group & choir performed to their usual high standard and had us dancing to 'When the Saints go marching in'! The catering team served up a generous selection of sandwiches and cakes that the pilgrims gratefully enjoyed.

The Angelous at the Cave was a unique opportunity to experience the cave with the relic present. The short service at the shrine, co-celebrated with the Abbey minister Rev. Mary-Ann Rennie was again emotional, spiritual and peaceful. The procession up the high street led by the Comrie Community Pipe Band, was musical, colourful and fun, with many holding aloft the fabulous umbrellas, and the children waving their St Margaret's flags. We were honoured again with the presence of the Knights & Dames of St Columba, Malta, the Holy Sepulchre and the Guild of St Margaret.

This was a very successful event with only happy feedback from all who visited. It was great to see that the Pilgrimage received plenty of coverage in this week's Dunfermline Press. I want to thank all who helped to deliver this event, without your help it would simply not happen.

I am already looking forward to next year's Pilgrimage!

With thanks to all,
Ronan McGirr – St Margaret's Pilgrimage coordinator



SAVE THE DATE: NEXT YEAR'S ST MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE WILL BE ON SUNDAY 14TH JUNE 2026



SCRIPTUREREADINGS

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FIRST READING Proverbs 8:22–31

Thus says the Wisdom of God: The Lord possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Romans 5:1–5

Brothers and Sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God



GOSPEL John 16:12–15

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 8:4–5. 6–7. 8–9. R2a

**O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name through all the earth!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cf. Revelation 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
the God who is and who was and who is to come.**

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.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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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 required), Funerals, Sacrament of the Sick or visits to the housebound/hospital.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - 2025

SM & HN
Building Fund
1st Sun every month

15th June -
Diocesan
Day for Life

29th June - Holy See
Peter's Pence

ST MARGARET'S PARISH REGISTER

Registration Instructions

1. Use QR code
2. Enter your details
3. An email will be sent with an invitation to My ChurchSuite.



You can use My ChurchSuite to edit your personal information, and to update your contact preferences.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY & MONTHLY STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBITS

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

SM: 7 & 8th Jun
Offertory £743.77
SO/DD £1020.00

HN - MONTHLY OFFERTORY:
13/3-10/4/25
Offertory £1033.13
SO/DD £985.58

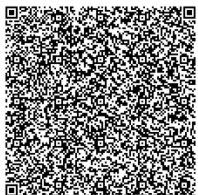
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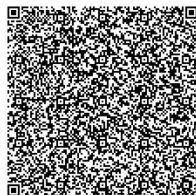
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80-06-55 ~ 00720303



'The Holy Name Parish'
83-33-00 ~ 00176355



'St. Margaret's
One World Group'
83-33-00
10191867

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'SSVP AE02044'
80-06-55
00768139

HN
'SSVP AE02040'
80-22-60
13364166

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