



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR (C)

13th July 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 12th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession 5.30pm – Holy Mass	Jim Cusick RIP Frances Henderson (wellbeing)
Sunday 13th	St. Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret 11am – Holy Mass	Mary (May) Gardner RIP Brian Brady RIP
Monday 14th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 15th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Requiem Mass for Margaret Cleary	Jim Cusick RIP
Wednesday 16th <i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Name 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret	Elizabeth McGuinness RIP Our Lady of Fatima
Thursday 17th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret	Jim Cusick RIP
Friday 18th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret 7pm – Holy Mass – Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession	Our Lady of Lourdes People of the parish
Saturday 19th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession 5.30pm – Holy Mass	Jim Cusick RIP Keiran Crawford 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.

Novena of St Margaret

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

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.

P A R I S H N E W S

To receive our weekly newsletter by email,
please send an email to: stmargaretsnews@gmail.com



Obituaries: Please remember in your prayers:

Margaret Cleary; Her funeral will take place on Tuesday 15th July with requiem mass at 10am at St Margaret's, followed by Dunfermline Crematorium. Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved families and friends. May their souls rest in peace.

St. Margaret's Live Stream

We have been experiencing technical issues with our Live Stream for the last couple of weeks. Our Fabric Committee are meeting with an IT engineer on Monday, and hope to rectify the issue as soon as possible. Hopefully this will see it working again by then. Many apologies to all those who are missing tuning in and joining with us to celebrate holy mass.

SSVP Mystery Tour and Meal

This has been planned for Wed 13th August. This is the first trip since COVID and we wish that everyone enjoys themselves and takes up the offer of our trip. Some points to note: 1) The tour is for over 60's only.

2) The Menu will be available very soon. (Dietary needs must be highlighted).

3) Names must be added to the poster on the notice board in the porch.

4) If people drop out please let us know, as in the past there were usually reserve names.

5) By exception only; if a Carer is needed to assist with a wheelchair or walker and are under 60, please speak to one of the SSVP Members or note on the poster.

Sea Sunday

This weekend contains Sea Sunday, the annual time when we remember the estimated 1,500,000 active seafarers around the world who work constantly and tirelessly to bring us over 90% of our daily needs from food to fuel, from cars to clothing. These seafarers, from many nations, are rarely seen by us but are our invisible and indispensable friends as they sail from port to port, loading and unloading goods of all descriptions. Their work is often arduous and dangerous. It takes them away from homes and families. They work on contracts with worldwide companies where they have only basic employment protections, which are frequently breached. There are three main Christian international charities which actively support these men and women with the many problems that they may encounter whilst onboard merchant ships of all flags. Our own very active Catholic charity is The Apostleship of the Sea, known generally as Stella Maris. It was founded over a century ago at the beautiful church of St Aloysius in Glasgow and has since spread worldwide. Here in Fife we have ports in constant use in Methil, Kirkcaldy, Burntisland, Braefoot Bay, Inverkeithing and Rosyth. Co-ordinating with the Mission to Seafarers and Sailors Society our chaplains and volunteer ship visitors serve visiting seafarers from our joint centre in Grangemouth helping them to maintain contact with their families and with many other personal tasks; no task is too difficult. If it is possible for you to donate to Stella Maris through today's collection it would be very much appreciated. Should you wish, please find out more about our work at www.stellamaris.org.uk Many thanks, Jim McRae, Parish Contact

SCIAF Shield Parish Football Team

Put your faith into action and take part in the SCIAF Shield – our inaugural knock-out tournament that uses football to raise money for the world's poorest people. Get ready for a day of fun, football & fundraising. The SCIAF Shield is a new 5-a-side tournament that brings together 16 teams for an exciting afternoon of community and sport – all in support of SCIAF's life-changing work overseas. If you wish to represent St. Margaret's Team please pass your details to the Parish Office. If we have more than 8 parishioners interested we will develop a specific selection procedure. It's 18+ participants only.

Big Picture

Tue 15th July 6.30-8.30pm. Session 12 will start with small group discussions about the topic of S.11 "The Church". There will be a final session to discuss S.12 then look back over the whole course and bring & share refreshments. David 01383 872739

Sick in the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for: **Frances Henderson, Wilma Oviden, John Ashe, 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.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

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

www.archedinburgh.org/news-events

World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly

To celebrate this day, the National Marriage, Family and Life Commission of the Bishops' Conference of Scotland invites everyone to St Francis Xavier's in Carfin for Mass with Bishop John Keenan at 3:00pm on Sunday 27 July.

Fr Jamie's Sponsored Summer Cycle, July 19

25 churches. 42 miles. 1 priest on his bike. Father Jamie McMorris said: "This summer I'm going to cycle around Edinburgh, visiting every Catholic church in the city. I'll be raising funds for the parish but also praying for the city and everyone in it." All proceeds will go towards raising parish funds for St Margaret's Catholic Church in Davidson's Mains, Edinburgh. If you wish to donate, you can do so online: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/jamie-mcmorris>

His route: *St Margaret's > St Kentigern's > St John the Baptist > St Joseph's > St John Ogilvie's > St Mary's > St Mark's > St Cuthbert's > St Peter's > Sacred Heart > St Patrick's > St Albert's > St Columba's > St Catherine's > St Gregory's > St Theresa's > St Mary Magdalene's > St John the Evangelist > St Ninian's > St Andrew's > Star of the Sea > Holy Cross > St Mary's Cathedral > St Andrew's > St Margaret Mary's > St Margaret's, Davidson's Mains.*

SPOTLIGHT: PARISH REGISTER

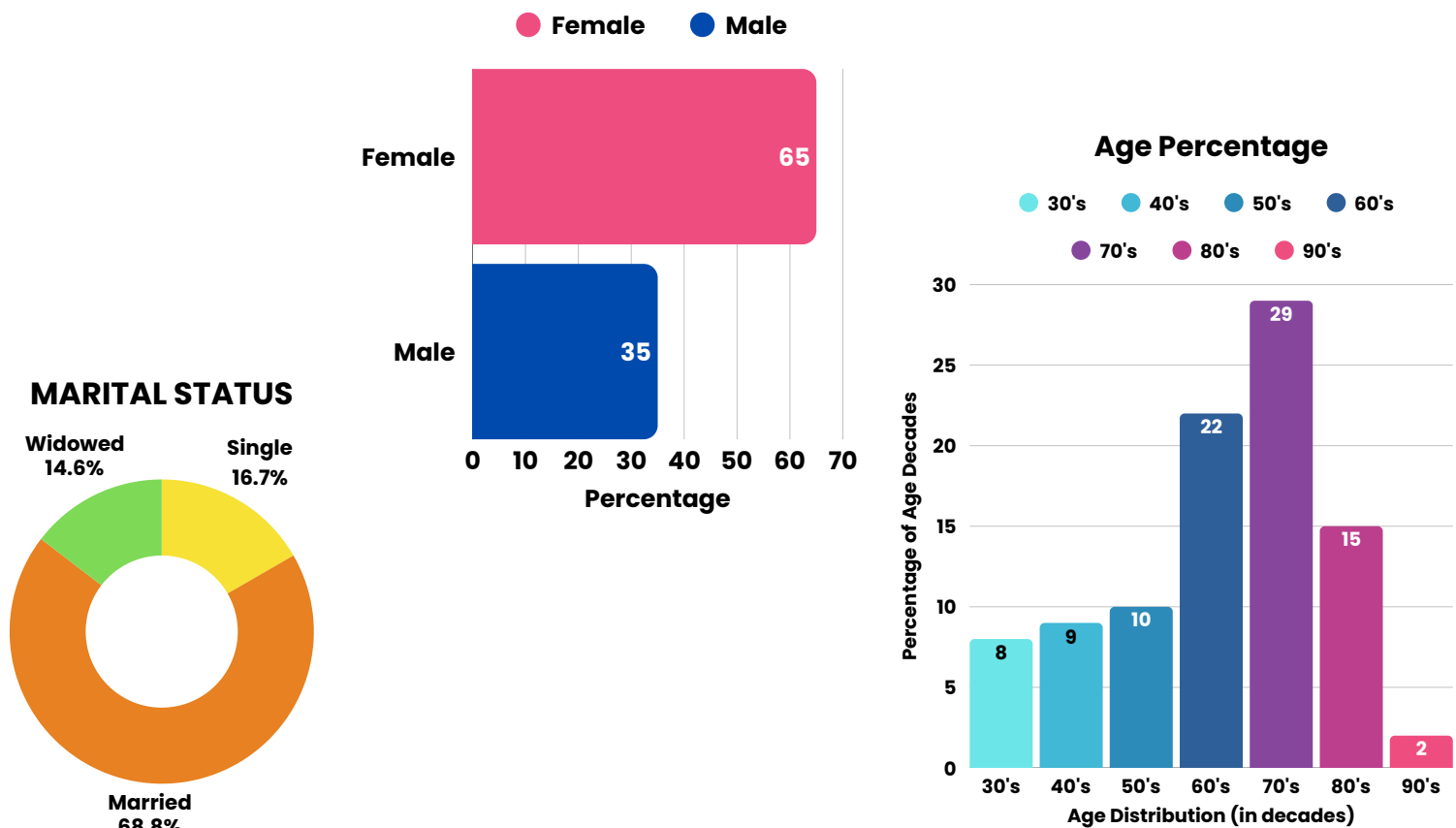
Why be on the parish register?

- You will have a much better idea of what is happening in our parish.
- With better communication, everyone feels more connected and included, which really strengthens our community.
- It helps us find people who want to share their skills and time, making it easier for more folks to get involved in parish life.
- Keeping the register up-to-date makes planning and organizing things like events and volunteer work a whole lot simpler.
- It helps us welcome new members and make sure they feel connected and in the loop right from the start.
- All information on the registration form will be kept within the confines of St Margaret's Parish and not divulged to third parties – the Archdiocese does not have access.

How are we doing six months in?

- There are now 411 parishioners on the register. The figure on the 1st February was 79, on the 1st May was 382 and the 1st June was 403. As the parish records prior to the register are incomplete it is not possible to say what the total number of parishioners is currently but it is safe to say most active churchgoers are now on the register. Registration is a process and not a one-off event, so parishioners are asked to encourage those yet to register to do so – forms are available at the back of both churches.
- The email function is now working properly with birthday messages going out to parishioners on their birthday from Father. It was also used to remind parishioners of the Pilgrimage arrangements prior to the event.
- The text facility is operational but will only be used when communication has to be immediate – for example if a Mass/service has to be cancelled at short notice.

Parish Demographics



Future plans/developments for the register

- Children are currently not on the register but that is an option for the future.
- Personal greetings from Father extended to parishioners with other celebrations e.g. families of First Communicants. Personal message marking the anniversary of a relative passing. Congratulatory message on a wedding anniversary. This information could also be included in the newsletter (with permission).
- Communication with groups within the parish specifically without a general communication going out to everyone.
- Particular campaigns targeting groups e.g. promoting Gift Aid for taxpayers.
- Holy Name is piloting dissemination of the agenda for its Steering Group meetings via the register – allowing parishioners to suggest items for discussion. In the future the minutes of these meetings may be emailed to parishioners keeping everyone informed of decisions made. This will be considered by the Parish Pastoral Council.

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

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

Presbytery & Parish Office Address:

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

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Newsletter - Deadline Friday 10am

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

13th July -
Sea Sunday

19th Oct - Holy See:
Missio

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

SM: OFFERTORY
5/6 July: £866.47
SO/DD £1020.00

HN - MONTHLY OFFERTORY:
14/5 to 10/6 £766.75
SO/DD £1020

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Building Fund
5/6 July SM: £570.12

Holy Name
Peter's Pence: £142.37

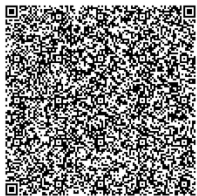
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ACCOUNT NAME, SORT CODE & ACCOUNT NO

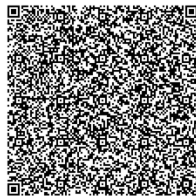
CHARITY BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

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'St Margaret's R C Church'
80-06-55 ~ 00720303



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



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

SM
'SSVP AE02044'
80-06-55
00768139

HN
'SSVP AE02040'
80-22-60
13364166

GIFT AID - If you are a taxpayer and would like to enrol for Gift Aid, please contact the parish office.

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SCRIPTUREREADINGS

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FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses spoke to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keep his commandments and his statutes that are written in this Book of the Law, turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

'For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.'

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL

Luke 10:25-37

At that time: Behold, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, 'Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? How do you read it?' And he answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.'

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' And Jesus said to him, 'You go, and do so likewise.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 69(68):14, 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36ab, 37. R cf. 33

Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cf. John 6:63c, 68c

Alleluia, alleluia.

**Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life;
you have the words 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.