



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

HOME OF ST. MARGARET'S RELIC

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR (C)
10th August 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 9th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession 5.30pm – Holy Mass	Martin Wilkinson (80 th Birthday) Veronica Fogherty RIP
Sunday 10th	St. Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret 11am – Holy Mass	Paul & Thomas Brannan RIP John & Isabella McQuillan
Monday 11th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 12th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret	Jim Cusick RIP Noreen McVeigh RIP
Wednesday 13th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Name 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret	People of the Parish David McPherson RIP
Thursday 14th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret	Alexander MacLeod RIP
Friday 15th <i>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Holy day of obligation.</i>	St. Margaret's	9.30am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret 11am – Holy Name 7pm – Holy Mass – Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession	Kevin John Mulligan RIP Jim Cusick RIP Ann Brown RIP
Saturday 16th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession 5.30pm – Holy Mass	Joe McWilliams RIP Daniel Kelly 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–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.

PARISH NEWS

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



Obituaries: Please remember in your prayers:

Frances Dunn: Her funeral will be held at St. Margaret's on Tuesday 19th August with requiem mass at 12.45pm, followed by interment at Beath Cemetery at 1.45 pm.

Jane Cumming: Her funeral will be on Thursday, 21st August at St Margaret's with requiem mass at 10am. Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved families and friends. May their souls rest in peace.

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.

SSVP Mystery Tour and Meal

The SSVP tour Wed 13th August is fully booked! To all attendees - please ensure you've ticked your meal options by this weekend as this must be with the tour company by Tuesday 12th August. Looking forward to seeing you all either at 10.00am Mass or outside for 10.30am on Wednesday morning.

Join the 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. The SCIAF Shield is a new 5-a-side tournament that brings together 16 teams for an exciting afternoon of community and sport. If you're over 18 and wish to represent St. Margaret's please pass your details to the Parish Office.

One World Group Breakfast

The next OWG Breakfast will be on 24th August, after 9.30am mass at St Margaret's. We're collecting any foreign currency you may have left over after your summer holiday for Mary's Meals. All are welcome.

Stop assisted suicide

The Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill is expected to have its Second Reading in the House of Lords on Friday 12 September. *Right To Life UK* has launched an EasyAction tool to help you write to a few Peers with a tailored message to highlight key concerns with the Bill. Visit www.righttolife.org.uk/aspeers to ask Peers to oppose assisted suicide - it takes just 30 seconds!

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

The SPUC is asking for Catholics to take action against MPs allowing abortion up to birth, and legalising assisted suicide. Information about how to lend your support can be found on fliers at the back of the church.

Beginning Experience Weekend away

The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering bereavement through divorce, separation or widowhood. It is 26-28th Sept at Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. Email beginningexperiencescotland2@gmail.com or call Maggie on 01389 751677 for more information. You must register by 12th September.

Sick in the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for: **Tony Cascarino, Albert & Pauline Gatt, Frances Henderson, Wilma Ovenden, John Ashe, Peter McCourt, James Payne, John Cassells, Andrew Kelly, Teresa Lynch, Gail Pearce, Margaret Fotheringham, Elaine Cormack, Denise Reilly, Jane Fentiman, Maureen Black, Margaret McPherson, Anne Donaldson, Nan Lomas, Janet McIlwaine, Esther Wren, Anne McPherson 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

Faith in the Footlights

Ian Bradley joins the renowned Schola Cantorum to uncover the search for the divine in shows like *The Sound of Music*, *South Pacific*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Les Misérables* and more. You'll never hear these musicals in the same way again! St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, Tuesday 12 August at 7.30pm.

Pilgrim of Hope show at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival

A new comedy inspired by Pope Francis' letter for the Year of Hope, written and performed by Stephen Callaghan. Venue 6, C Aurora Studio (Lauriston Halls, Lauriston Street, Edinburgh). Dates 18-24 August at 7.30pm.

Holy Year: Fife Pilgrim Way

Join us for this special Jubilee Year 2025 event, walking the historic and picturesque Fife Pilgrim Way over six stages each Saturday. Organised by the Fife Deanery of the Archdiocese. Begins Saturday 30 August. See the Archdiocese website <https://archedinburgh.org/event/holy-year-fife-pilgrim-way>

Holy Year Talk

The next Holy Year talk, organised by the Fife Deanery is on 31 August at 4.30pm at the Carmelite Convent, Hot Pot Wynd, Dysart, KY1 2TF. Includes evening prayer and Eucharistic Adoration. All welcome.

SPOTLIGHT: PARISHIONER TOM CANNING'S ART EXHIBITION



Tom with his painting of Caravaggio's Supper at Emmaus

A life of colour, drawing, painting

For more than four decades, a quiet house in Oakley has held a remarkable secret. Climb the narrow stairs up to Tom Canning's attic studio and your eyes open wide in surprise. A hidden Aladdin's cave of colour bursts into view. Over 200 paintings cover the walls and canvases lean in stacks against every inch of space. Jars overflow with hundreds of brushes, and paint palettes are thick with paint, telling the story of a man deeply devoted to art. Outside his studio few knew that behind his modest exterior was an extraordinary creative spirit, quietly at work.

Tom has lived in Oakley his entire life. Married to Mary and known by many as a devoted friend and neighbour, he's long been admired for his generosity. He recently celebrated over fifty years of dedicated service to the St Vincent de Paul Society and was awarded the Benemerenti Medal in 2019 for exceptional services to the Catholic Church.

Tom was also a valued member of the Oakley Art Group, founded by Irene Haliday and the late Evelyn Lines, where local artists gathered every Thursday for years, thanks to the generosity of Oakley and Carnock Church, to share ideas and encourage each other. "We had to arrange the exhibition without him knowing," Irene told us, recalling just how modest he's always been about his talent.

His art draws inspiration from the world around him and far beyond. From ships looming in Rosyth Dockyard, where he was a shop steward, to tender Renaissance Madonnas, from flower still lifes inspired by Monet, to portraits and sweeping Scottish landscapes, Tom paints anything that stirs his curiosity and sense of beauty.

Now, for the first time, Tom will share his artistic treasure trove with the public. Over 30 of his paintings will be on display at Oakley Community Centre from 11th to 15th August. Everyone is warmly invited to the opening evening on 11th August, 7-9pm, a chance to meet Tom, celebrate his work, and discover the secret attic studio that has brought so much colour to his life.

Roanne O'Donnell, Artist & Holy Name parishioner



ART EXHIBITION

TOM CANNING

11-15 AUGUST 2025

OPENING NIGHT 11.AUGUST : 7-9 PM

OAKLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

15 STATION ROAD . OAKLEY

A LIFE OF COLOUR

DRAWING . PAINTING

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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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

19th Oct - Holy See:
Missio

9th Nov - Diocesan:
Day for the Poor

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: OFFERTORY
2/3 Aug: £768.34
SO/DD £1020.00

HN - MONTHLY OFFERTORY:
12 Jun-10 Jul: £1039.27
SO/DD £1006

Monthly Building Fund
SM 2/3 Aug: £420.74

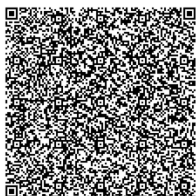
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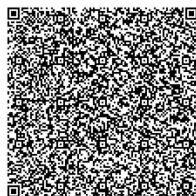
CHARITY BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

ACCOUNT NAME, SORT CODE & ACCOUNT NO
If you're a UK Tax payer, contact Parish office to register for Gift Aid

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80-06-55 ~ 00720303



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83-33-00 ~ 00176355



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83-33-00
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HN
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SCRIPTUREREADINGS

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FIRST READING Wisdom 18:6–9

That night of our liberation was made known beforehand to our fathers, so that they might rejoice in sure knowledge of the oaths in which they trusted. The deliverance of the righteous and the destruction of their enemies were expected by your people. For by the same means by which you punished our enemies you called us to yourself and glorified us. For in secret the holy children of good people offered sacrifices and with one accord agreed to the divine law, that the saints would share alike the same things, both blessings and dangers; and already they were singing the praises of the fathers.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1–2, 8–12

Brothers and Sisters: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL Luke 12:35–40

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service, and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33(32):1,12. 18–19. 20, 22. R12b

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 24:42a, 44

Alleluia, alleluia.

Stay awake and be ready,

**for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.
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.