



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

HOME OF ST. MARGARET'S RELIC

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR (C)

17th 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 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
Sunday 17th	St. Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am – Holy Mass & Novena of St Margaret 11am – Holy Mass	John Collingbourne RIP Danny Herd RIP
Monday 18th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 19th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass 12.45pm – Requiem Mass for Frances Dunn	John Harothy RIP Hugo Donaldson RIP
Wednesday 20th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Name 10am – Holy Mass	Tom Lamont Yvonne & Ian McRoberts (Diamond Wedding Anniversary)
Thursday 21st	St. Margaret's	10am – Requiem Mass for Jane Cuning	
Friday 22nd	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass 7pm – Holy Mass – Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession	Margaret McDonagh RIP Tony Cascarino (wellbeing)
Saturday 23rd	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession 5.30pm – Holy Mass	Martin McDonagh 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.

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 Cunning: Her funeral will be on Thursday, 21st August at St Margaret's with requiem mass at 10am.

Ben Conway: His funeral will be held at Dunfermline Crematorium on 21 August at 11.30am.

Jane Fentiman: Funeral details to follow.

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.

One World Group Breakfast

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

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, 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.

Congratulations to Yvonne & Ian McRoberts

Warmest congratulations to Yvonne and Ian McRoberts on their 60th wedding anniversary! Yvonne was a devoted member of the choir at St M's until her illness with dementia took over. Their grand-daughter Ellie kindly shared a recent photo of the happy couple, and an original from their wedding, taken outside St Margaret's on 20th August 1965.



Happy 80th Birthday!

To **Martin Wilkinson** who serves on various Parish groups and is a Reader at St Margaret's. Martin celebrated his 80th birthday last week. Warm wishes from us all.



ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

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

Carlo Acutis relics

The relics of Carlo Acutis visit the Archdiocese from 13-15 September 2025, by which time he will be a saint of the Church! Schedule for St Mary's Cathedral: Sat 13 Sep – 6pm Vigil Mass (Cathedral open until 8pm for veneration); Sun 14 Sep – Midday Mass; Mon 15 Sep – 12.45pm Mass for Schools.

Altar Servers' Day

The Archdiocesan Day for Altar Servers, our Guild of St Cuthbert, is on Saturday 13 September 2025, 11am-3pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh. This year we will be in the presence of a saint – the relics of Carlo Acutis will be there! This is a day of faith, formation and fun, and concludes with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Leo.

Catholic Conversations for Women

Women who are recent converts, those considering Catholicism, and those desirous of faith-focused discussion all warmly welcome to this event. It takes place at St Andrew's Parish rooms on Saturday 30 August, 3.45pm-4.45pm. Optional Holy Hour with Adoration and chanted Vespers from 5.10pm with the Religious Sisters of Mercy. Register at edinburgh@almamercy.org or call 0131 343 3380.

Pilgrimage Walk of Hope for Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals warmly invites you to join their Pilgrimage Walk of Hope. This event will take place on Saturday 30 August from 10.30am to 3.45pm at Craig Lodge House of Prayer, Dalmally, Argyll. In this Jubilee Year when we are called to become Pilgrims of Hope, join members of the Mary's Meals team and supporters from around the country as we walk together, reflecting on stories of hope and praying for our mission. The day will include Mass and the opportunity to see The Shed where Mary's Meals began. Find out more and book your place at: <https://MMWalkOfHope.eventbrite.co.uk>

SPOTLIGHT: SSVP MYSTERY TOUR

Parishioners come together for the SSVP's first trip since COVID



On Wednesday 13th August 2025 forty seven parishioners embarked on a 'Mystery Tour' for our first SSVP outing since COVID.

The parishioners of St. Margaret's are extremely lucky that many years ago the SSVP received a legacy from one of the parishioners and the instructions were that the money was to be used for the over 60's. Initially "The Friday Lunch Club" was set up in the Crypt, however due to health and safety restrictions this ceased. Then annual bus trip was established. Over the years, numerous Parishioners have enjoyed the trips.

We know that all 47 of us enjoyed our Mystery Tour to The Courtyard at Kenmore. Callum our bus driver looked after everyone. The meal was fabulous. We were also taken to the House of Bruar before our return journey to Dunfermline.

Thank you to everyone for making the trip fun and enjoyable.

Marianne Ellis & Mike Robertson



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
9/10 Aug: To follow
SO/DD £1020.00

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

N/A

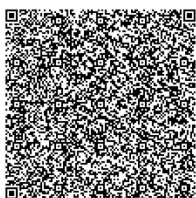
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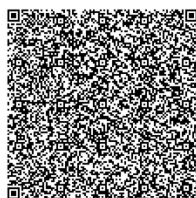
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ACCOUNT NAME, SORT CODE & ACCOUNT NO
If you're a UK Tax payer, contact Parish office to register for Gift Aid

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83-33-00 ~ 00176355



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SCRIPTUREREADINGS

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FIRST READING

Jeremiah 38:4–6, 8–10

In those days: The officials said to the king, 'Let this man, Jeremiah, be put to death, for he is weakening the hands of the soldiers who are left in this city, and the hands of all the people, by speaking such words to them. For this man is not seeking the welfare of this people, but their harm.' King Zedekiah said, 'Behold, he is in your hands, for the king can do nothing against you.' So they took Jeremiah and cast him into the cistern of Malchiah, the king's son, which was in the court of the guard, letting Jeremiah down by ropes. And there was no water in the cistern, but only mud, and Jeremiah sank in the mud.

Ebed-melech went from the king's house and said to the king, 'My lord the king, these men have done evil in all that they did to Jeremiah the prophet by casting him into the cistern, and he will die there of hunger, for there is no bread left in the city.' Then the king commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, 'Take thirty men with you from here, and lift Jeremiah the prophet out of the cistern before he dies.'

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:1–4

Brothers and Sisters: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or faint-hearted. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL

Luke 12:49–53

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! I have a baptism to be baptised with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided: three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father; mother against daughter and daughter against mother; mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law, and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 40(39):2. 3. 4. 18. R14b

LORD, make haste to help me!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia.

**My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord,
and I know them, and they follow me.
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.