



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

HOME OF ST. MARGARET'S RELIC

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR (A)

10 May 2026



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 and Confession 5.30pm – Vigil Mass & Baptism of Ronnie Fitzsimmons	Kay Frizzell (wellbeing) Louisa Weymes RIP
Sunday 10th <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>	St Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am – Holy Mass 11am – Holy Mass	People of the Parish Margaret Sunnie RIP & Albert Sunnie (B'day remembrance)
Monday 11th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 12th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	Elizabeth O'Neill (Thanksgiving), John Bowes RIP Margaret Quinn (Blantyre) RIP, Kay Gilfillan RIP
Wednesday 13th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	May Tully RIP, Mary Canning RIP Agnes Brown
Thursday 14th <i>The Ascension of the Lord (Holy day of obligation)</i>	St. Margaret's Holy Name St Margaret's Primary School St Margaret's	9.30am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret 11am – Holy Mass with HNPS pupils 1.30pm – SMPS Mass 7pm – Holy Mass	Kay Gillfillan, A Sick Person Staff and Students of Holy Name Primary Staff and Students of St Margaret's Primary Thanksgiving
Friday 15th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	Mary Canning RIP
Saturday 16th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession 5.30pm – Vigil Mass	Moira McGuigan RIP Longin Winski RIP

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.

Mass Intentions – If you would like a mass to be offered, complete a Mass Intention envelope (for SM in the card stand and at the back of the church; 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 that Mass intention slots are often filled well in advance.**

N.B. On days when multiple Mass intentions are mentioned, each intention will be celebrated individually by priests who experience a shortage of Mass offerings.

Parish Newsletter – Please feel free to take a copy of the newsletter for a family member, a neighbour or anyone unable to come to church. Email the Parish to receive a digital copy.



Scam Emails

Please be cautious of emails or messages claiming to be from priests or parish members asking for money or gift cards. Do not respond or send money. Our parish will never request funds in this way. Please report any suspicious messages to the parish office at office.stmargaretunfermline@staned.org.uk.

Calling all History Buffs!

We have connected with a well-respected and prominent Local Historian who we are working with on a History Project for St Margaret's. We are looking for history enthusiasts to get involved in this exciting concept. Email the Parish Office to find out more and get involved: office.stmargaretunfermline@staned.org.uk

Last call to sign up for Camp out for Hope - 3 weeks to go!

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Scotland are excited to invite you to the Camp Out for Hope! This will be a powerful event to show solidarity with our suffering and displaced Christian brothers and sisters around the world. Come along for an all-night prayer vigil, opportunities to learn how you can make a real difference, and time to relax and build new friendships! Join us on Saturday, 30th May - Sunday, 31st May at Carfin Grotto from 8pm - 8am. Head to trybooking.com to sign up. It's free to register, and there is a special fundraising element - when you sign up, you'll get a fundraising pack and a link to join our JustGiving team page.

Sick in the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for: **Angela Cusick, Jean Connor, Billy McGuigan, Barbara Fotheringham Larkin, Chic Irvine, Tommy McGowan, Ann Shaw, Maureen Hunter, Yvonne McRoberts, Mike Pendlowski, Therese Walsh, Pauline Gatt, Kathleen Penman, John Cassells, Helen Ssim, Frances Henderson, Peter McCourt, James Payne, 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, or email details to the Parish Office office.stmargaretunfermline@staned.org.uk

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

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

Communications Sunday

There will be a special collection for the apostolate of communications on Sunday 17 May. Your donation supports the work of the Office of Communications and Evangelisation (led by Bishop Frank Dougan of Galloway Diocese) to help fund initiatives that amplify the Gospel and strengthen the Church's voice in Scotland and in the digital sphere.

Corpus Christi Procession

The Archdiocesan Corpus Christi procession, led by Archbishop Cushley, will take place from Our Lady & St Andrew's, Stirling Street, Galashiels, at 3pm on Sunday 7 June 2026. Afterwards there will be Benediction in the Church followed by refreshments in the presbytery garden. This annual event is a beautiful, public celebration of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. All welcome.

Mothers and Daughters: May Crowning and Procession

Mothers and Daughters of all ages are invited by the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma for an afternoon to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary. Activities include a May Crowning and procession, Marian crafts and cookie decorating. The event is hosted on Saturday 23 May from 1-2.30pm at St. Andrew's, 77 Belford Rd. Edinburgh, EH4 3DS. RSVP by 20 May to edinburgh@almamercy.org.

World Youth Day

"Experience the universal Church first-hand amidst the unique and vibrant story of Catholicism in South Korea. From remarkable saints, bustling markets and poignant shrines to Holy Mass with Pope Leo and sleeping under the stars. Come with us from our Archdiocese and discover, in a profound and personal way, God, the Church, and the transforming power of faith." - Archbishop Cushley. If you are aged 19-35 and want to find out about attending the World Youth Day in South Korea, 3-8 August 2027, please register your interest at youth.office@staned.org.uk.

Pentecost event for young adults

Join young adults from across the Archdiocese to celebrate Pentecost at St Andrew's Church, 77 Belford Road, Edinburgh, EH4 3DP, on Saturday 23 May, beginning at 4pm. There will be a talk from Fr Daniel Magaji, Eucharistic Adoration & opportunity for Confession, Holy Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley and a barbecue. Organised by the Archdiocese along with the young adult ministries at Edinburgh Jesuit Church, St Mary's Cathedral and St Albert's Chaplaincy. Register at bit.ly/pentecost26. Come, Holy Spirit!

Celebrating the Hungarian roots of our Patron, Saint Margaret of Scotland

In January, we had the honour of being visited by Hungary's President, Dr Tamás Sulyok during an official visit to the UK.

Dr Sulyok, his wife and a delegation, paid their respects to St Margaret, visiting the relic in the Lady's Chapel. They were received by Archbishop Leo Cushley.

They also took time to lay a wreath on the tomb of St. Margaret at Dunfermline Abbey.

Pride of place in The Lady's Chapel

President Sulyok presented our Parish with a special commemorative gift - a **Herend porcelain Cross**.

The Herend Cross is a unique, handmaid porcelain that represents Hungarian applied art and heritage.

In recognition of how treasured this is, we have displayed this in the Lady's Chapel.

Please take time when you are next at Mass to view the Cross and read more about it.

Deepen your devotion to St Margaret

If you are inspired to further your devotion to St Margaret, take time in the Lady's Chapel to pray in the presence of the relic of St Margaret. Also, you may wish to express your devotion by saying the Novena of St Margaret. We do so at St Margaret's after morning Mass from 10th-18th every month.



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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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.

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.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - 2026

SM & HN Building Fund
 1st Sun every month

World Communications Day
 17 May

Day for Life
 21 June

WEEKLY OFFERTORY & MONTHLY STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBITS

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

SM - OFFERTORY
2/3 MAY: £909.04
SO/DD £1020.00

HN - MONTHLY OFFERTORY:
12 Mar-14 Apr: £1449.53
SO/DD £1127.38

BUILDING FUND 2&3 MAY
SM: £432.60

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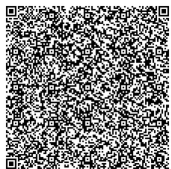
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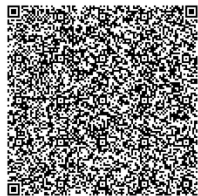
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ACCOUNT NAME, SORT CODE & ACCOUNT NO
 If you're a UK Tax payer, contact Parish office to register for Gift Aid

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SCRIPTUREREADINGS

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR (A)



FIRST READING Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

In those days: Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralysed or lame were healed. So there was much joy in that city.

Now when the Apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3:15-18

Beloved: In your hearts honour Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defence to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behaviour in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

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Thanks be to God

GOSPEL John 14:15-21

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you for ever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

'I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.'

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



Responsorial Psalm
Ps 66(65):1-3a. 4-5. 6-7a. 16, 20. R1
Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Gospel Acclamation
John 14:23
Alleluia, alleluia.
If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord,
and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.
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.

SUNDAY 14 JUNE 2026 | DUNFERMLINE, SCOTLAND

THE ST MARGARET PILGRIMAGE

12:00pm

Angelus at St Margaret's Cave.

1:00pm

Prayer Service at St Margaret's
tomb at Dunfermline Abbey.

2:00pm

Procession from Glen Gates to
St Margaret's Memorial Church.

3:00pm

Mass at St Margaret's Memorial Church,
celebrated by Archbishop Leo Cushley.

Gathering in faith & thanksgiving to celebrate a patron saint of Scotland.



EVENT GUIDE



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