



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

HOME OF ST. MARGARET'S RELIC

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR (A)
21st June 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 20th	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass 10.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession 5.30pm - Vigil Mass	Sr Mercine FCC RIP MK Mathew RIP
Sunday 21st <i>12th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	St Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am - Holy Mass 11am - Holy Mass	Margaret Dellar RIP Sheila and Gerry Crielly (Golden wedding anniversary)
Monday 22nd		NO MASS	
Tuesday 23rd	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am - Holy Mass 10am - Requiem Mass for Virginia Shaw	Danny Heard
Wednesday 24th <i>The Nativity of St John the Baptist</i>	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am - Holy Mass 10am - Holy Mass 11am - Baptism of Elijah Green	James Joseph RIP Fr Allan Ocdenaria RIP
Thursday 25th	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass, with pupils & staff from St Kentigern's Academy, West Lothian	Alex Burns RIP
Friday 26th	St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass	Hughes & Rocks Families
Saturday 27th	St. Margaret's St. Margaret's	10am - Holy Mass 10.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession 5.30pm - Vigil Mass	Alex Burns RIP People of the Parish

Second collections - this weekend and next

Please note that there will be a second collection this weekend, 20 & 21 June, for Day for Life - for the work of the apostolate of the defence of the life from conception to natural death. Also, there will be second collection the following weekend, on the 27 & 28 June for Peter's Pence.

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.

Church Noticeboard polite request

If you have a poster you'd like to put on the noticeboard in either church, please discuss with Colleen, Carmel or Sonia in the Parish office (email office.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk) or Father to seek approval. Only content in line with the Church is appropriate for the noticeboard.



Obituaries - Please remember in your prayers:

Virginia Shaw - Funeral will be at St Margaret's with Requiem Mass on Tuesday 23rd June at 10am, then at Dunfermline Crematorium at 11.30am.

Alex Burns - Funeral will be at St Margaret's with Requiem Mass on Tuesday 7th July at 10am, followed by interment at Douglas Bank Cemetery.

May their souls rest in peace. Our thoughts and prayers are with their family and friends.

Open Garden in aid of Holy Name - Tim Hall and his family are hosting an Open Garden this weekend, 20 & 21 June at Old Inzievar House. Any donations collected from visitors will be open to the public. From 2-5pm on Saturday & Sunday. Address is Old Inzievar House, Oakley, KY12 8HA.

Bereavement Group meeting Thursday 25th June - Any bereaved members of the Parish are welcome to join next Thursday, 1.30-3pm. Come for 'Tea and a Chat' in the Crypt. No formal counselling, just support and socialising.

Children's Liturgy - The Children's Liturgy group at St Margaret's will be taking a break over the school summer holidays. It will be on this weekend and next (28th). The group will resume on 23rd August.

Sick in the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for: **Mary Melville, Sheila Emmerson, Angela Cusick, Jean Connor, Billy McGuigan, Barbara Fotheringham Larkin, Chic Irvine, Tommy McGowan, Ann Shaw, 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, 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.stmargaretundunfermline@staned.org.uk

Golden Wedding Congratulations!

Our warmest wishes to Sheila and Gerry Crielly of Holy Name, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday 19th June. May God bless you with many more years of happiness.



ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

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

www.archedinburgh.org/news-events

Day for Life Collection, Sunday 21 June

The National Day for Life Collection is split 50/50 between the Archdiocese and the Bishops' Conference of Scotland. The Archdiocesan share will be used to support pro-life work covering issues at the beginning and end of life: the unborn and their mothers, the disabled, the elderly and the dying. This may include support for advocacy, education, pastoral care and formation in these areas, particularly in response to current developments and needs. In recent years, the Archdiocese has supported work including opposition to assisted suicide, protection of the unborn, post-abortion support, and the formation of young pro-lifers. More details at bit.ly/dayforlife26

Consultation - Archbishop Leo invites you to respond to consultation questions from the Bishops' Conference of Scotland regarding the structures of the Church in Scotland. The consultation questions are online at bit.ly/archconsultation26. For context, please see the BCOS statement at bit.ly/bcosstatement. Responses must be submitted by Friday 26 June.

Concert at the Cathedral - A renowned Australian choir sing a special choral Mass at 12.45pm on Wednesday 1 July in St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, with music by Widor, Sir James MacMillan, and Colin Mawby. Then at 7.30pm, the ensemble, from St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney, perform a free concert at the Cathedral featuring music by Palestrina, Poulenc, MacMillan, and a world premiere by Australian composer Brooke Shelley. Come along for a rare opportunity to hear this acclaimed Australian Catholic choir in Scotland.

Visit of relics of St Gerard Majella - The relics of St Gerard Majella will be at St Patrick's Church, The Cowgate, Edinburgh, on Saturday 18 July. Entrance of the relics at 10:00am with devotions and talk, Exposition of Blessed Sacrament at 11.30am. Mass at 12.30pm followed by blessing with the relics.

Brecbannoch Pilgrimage 2026 - A pilgrimage to pray for the renewal of the Faith in Scotland, from 31 July to 3 August, with a walk across the Isle of Mull, returning the relics of St Columba to Iona. Discounts are available for students and under-22s, and under-5s go free. Visit brecbannoch.co.uk

SPOTLIGHT: ST MARGARET'S PILGRIMAGE



Thank you!

- Archdiocese
- Dunfermline Abbey
- Hungarian Consulate
- Staff at St Margaret's Cave
- Comrie & Inverkeithing Pipe Band
- St Margaret's & Holy Name Primary Schools
- St Columba's High School
- Pilgrimage Co-ordinator
- Liturgy Group
- Music Group
- Altar servers
- Readers
- Volunteer stewards
- Transport volunteers
- Catering & Hospitality team
- Flowers team
- Fabric Committee
- Office staff
- SSVP
- St Margaret's Digital Comms team

Fr Syriac



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.

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	Day for Life 21 June	Peter's Pence 27 June
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WEEKLY OFFERTORY & MONTHLY STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBITS

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

SM - OFFERTORY
13 June: TO FOLLOW
SO/DD £1020.00

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

N/A

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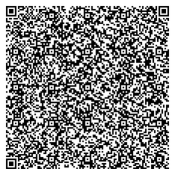
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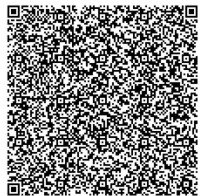
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ACCOUNT NAME, SORT CODE & ACCOUNT NO
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St Margaret's Pilgrimage Reflection

I was delighted to wake up on Sunday to find that this year's St Margaret's Pilgrimage was going to be blessed again with good weather.

All the pilgrims enjoyed being able to attend the Angelus outside the Cave, then stroll across to the service at St Margaret's tomb and then march behind Comrie Pipe band up the High Street, to the church in the sunshine. We were certainly blessed.

Pilgrims gathered at the cave for 12noon and Archbishop Cushley led us with the Angelus prayer. Most pilgrims then got a chance to visit the cave with St Margaret's relic in place. If you have never visited the cave, it will surprise you, it's well worth the effort. I was also relieved to greet the pilgrims who have walked from Kelty and managed to arrive just in time for the prayer.

We then strolled across to the tomb at the Abbey. St Margaret's relic was placed on her tomb by the Knights of St Columba. Archbishop Cushley and Rev MaryAnne Rennie led an inclusive and reflective service that climaxed with an emotional floral tribute that created a beautiful scene that we all appreciated.

A grand crowd gathered for the Pilgrimage from the Glen gates up the High Street. Led by the pipes & drums of the Comrie Pipe band, the colourful celebrative umbrellas, the formal dress of the Knights & Dames of Malta and The Holy Sepulchre, the priests, the many pilgrims, & flanked by the Knights of St Columba the relic was carried by the Archbishop - this is a dramatic spectacle that aroused great curiosity and wonder by those who happened to be on the street at the time.

The church was of course dressed to impress with beautiful flowers in the colours representing St Margaret. The church was full and the celebration completed what was for all a rewarding and up-lifting day. I want to offer my thanks to all and everyone who helped in any way to the success of this event.

Next year's Pilgrimage will be held on Sunday 13th June - please save this date for your diary.

I would be grateful to receive comments or feedback from the parishioners of St Margaret's and Holy Name, as I am keen to increase the participation of our own parish in this event. Comments can be dropped anonymously into a suggestions box at the rear of the church. We as a parish can be very proud of this event, let's work together to continue to host this day to celebrate St Margaret.

Ronan F McGirr
Pilgrimage Coordinator

"My heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended this year's St Margaret Pilgrimage in Dunfermline. It was a joy to see so many people gather in faith to honour Scotland's beloved patron saint and to celebrate her enduring witness of holiness, charity and service. The strong participation from across Scotland was a wonderful sign of our shared faith and devotion."

- ARCHBISHOP LEO CUSHLEY





SCRIPTUREREADINGS



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FIRST READING Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah said: I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! 'Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' say all my close friends, watching for my fall. 'Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him.'

But the Lord is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Romans 5:12-15

Brothers and Sisters: Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned – for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for many.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL Matthew 10:26-33

At that time: Jesus instructed his Apostles: 'Have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father knowing. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 147: 12-13. 14-15. 19-20. R12a
O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation

John 15:26b, 27a

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Spirit of truth will bear witness about me, says the Lord, and you also will bear witness.

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.