



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR (A)
11th October 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 10th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confessions 5.30pm – Vigil Mass	Fr Xavier RIP Benjamin Watson RIP (30 th Anniversary)
Sunday 11th	St. Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am – Holy Mass 11am – Holy Mass	Retired & sick of the Music Group Albert Gatt RIP
Monday 12th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 13th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	Oliver Conway Sr Marion Langam (Jubilee)
Wednesday 14th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	Albert Gatt RIP Crosse family
Thursday 15th <i>St Theresa</i>	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	Bridget Joseph RIP
Friday 16th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret	James Joseph RIP
Saturday 17th <i>St Ignatius of Antioch</i>	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confessions 5.30pm – Vigil Mass	MK Mathew RIP Sr Mercine RIP

Father Syriac

Fr Syriac has returned from visiting his family in India. Normal Mass schedule resumes from Saturday 10th October. We give our thanks to Fr Ajeesh and Fr Chris Amaubosi for covering Mass during the last 2 weeks. Also, thank you to the Eucharistic Ministers at Holy Name for leading Communion Mass in Father's absence.

Visiting Pilgrims

This Sat 10th Oct at 10am Mass we have Fr Wigton concelebrating & 30 pilgrims visiting from St Mary's of Assumption, USA.

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. Sign up on the Parish Register to receive a digital copy of the newsletter by email each week. Instructions to register are on page 4. Please add the email address to your Safe Senders list to ensure the email is received.

P A R I S H N E W S

To receive our weekly newsletter by email, please register at:
<https://stmargaretsrccchurch.churchsuite.com/-/forms/8e2u8r3e>



Obituaries – Please remember in your prayers:

Noreen Hunter – Funeral will be a Requiem Mass at St Margaret's, 10am on Tuesday 27th October followed by committal at Dunfermline Cemetery.

Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends. May her soul rest in peace.

St Margaret's SSVP – Volunteer urgently required

Due to a family bereavement, one of our dedicated volunteers has stepped back temporarily from the much-used and vital furniture collection and donation service in the SSVP. Solomon Patel would greatly appreciate another pair of hands so that we can continue to serve our community. If you can help – even for a short spell – please contact the Parish Office.

Parish Golf Outing

Parishioners are invited on Friday 16th October to our annual outing at Pitreavie Golf Club – around noon for rolls and coffee. Green fees: free for Pitreavie members, £25 for non-members. Food: £20 for rolls and main course, post-golf (£4 extra for 2 courses). Prize donations would be greatly appreciated. Please email francis_mcnicoll@yahoo.co.uk to secure your place.

One World Group Breakfast

The One World Group (OWG) volunteers will be providing a hot breakfast with teas and coffees in the Crypt at St Margaret's after Mass on Sunday 25th October. In return, for a small donation, enjoy a delicious brekkie roll with your fellow parishioners. The funds go to a range of charities. All are welcome!

Clergy Retreat

The week of 19–25th October, Fr Syriac will join all priests in the Archdiocese in Clergy retreat. There will be several changes to the Mass schedule that week so please look out for more details in next week's newsletter.

Sick in the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for: **Ileana Macmillan, Sheila Emmerson, Jean Connor, Billy McGuigan, Barbara Fotheringham Larkin, Tommy McGowan, Ann Shaw, Yvonne McRoberts, Mike Pendrowski, Pauline Gatt, John Cassells, Helen Ssim, 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 & 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.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

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

Additional Support Needs Mass

Those with additional support needs of all ages and their families/carers are invited to a special Sunday Mass this Sunday (11 October) at 2pm in the quiet, beautiful Chapel of St Albert the Great at 23/24 George Square Lane, Edinburgh, EH8 9LD. Mass will be celebrated by Father Jamie McMorin.

World Mission Sunday

Next Sunday (18th) we have the annual special collection for the 100th World Mission Sunday. This year's theme, chosen by Pope Leo XIV, is One in Christ, United in Mission. Our prayers and donations will support missionaries and communities in need, including Missio Scotland's projects in Albania and Ukraine. Please pray for missionaries throughout the world and give what you can. Donations can also be made online at missioscotland.com/donate

Catholic Conversations for Women on the Rosary

Saturday 17 October, 3:45pm–4:45pm in St Andrew's Parish rooms at 77 Belford Road, Edinburgh, EH4 3DS to look at how the mysteries of the Rosary are rooted in Scripture. Optional Holy Hour at the adjacent convent with Adoration, Rosary and Vespers from 5:10pm. To register email edinburgh@almamercy.org or call 0131 343 3380.

White Mass for Healthcare Workers

Catholic healthcare professionals are invited to a special White Mass for the Feast of St Luke at 11:00am on Sunday 18 October at St Patrick's Church, The Cowgate, Edinburgh. Come together in prayer, give thanks for the vocation of caring for others, and meet fellow Catholics working in healthcare. Refreshments will follow Mass. All healthcare workers are warmly welcome. Register at bit.ly/whitemassedinburgh

Celebrate with the Sisters of Mercy

The Sisters of Mercy of Alma, Michigan, are celebrating 10 years in our Archdiocese. Join them on Tuesday 20 October, 6:30pm–8:00pm at The Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB for a short documentary about the Sisters and their community life, Q&A, pizza and conversation Register at bit.ly/dinnerdoc.

Edinburgh Day for Life

SPUC Edinburgh West is holding its first Day for Life on Saturday 31 October, 9.30am–3.30pm, at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh EH9 1BB. Include talks from Dr Calum MacKellar, Margaret Akers and Chris McEleny. Register for this free event at bit.ly/dayforlife

St Moluag's Coracle

St Moluag's Coracle is a Scottish Catholic online magazine featuring articles on faith, history, philosophy and current affairs. The magazine is free to read and welcomes contributions from Catholics across Scotland. Find out more and subscribe at stmoluagscoracle.com

10 weeks until Christmas...

For those of us who like to start getting bits and bobs in the run up to Christmas, our dedicated duo, Cathy and Amanda Dellar, have refreshed the wee shop in St Margaret's with a lovely range, including few new things, all at very reasonable prices.

We have:

- Boxes of 12 and 18 Christmas cards
- Individual and 6 pack of Christmas greetings cards
- Two different sizes of Advent Calenders
- Different sizes and types of Christmas Candles
- Miscellaneous Christmas tree decorations
- Small Christmas gifts, including a Nativity scene.



Please pay for your items in cash, using the honesty box at the rear of the church.

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 Wednesday 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 - 2026

SM & HN
Building Fund
1st Sun every month

Missio
18 Oct

Day for the Poor
8 Nov

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

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

SM - OFFERTORY
26 Sept: £407.81
2 & 3 Oct: £787.72

HN - MONTHLY OFFERTORY:
11 Jul-11 Aug: £1210.24
SO/DD £1029.38

Building Fund Oct
SM: £410.48, **HN:** £80.60
Garden Mass 27/9
£447.16 & £496.50

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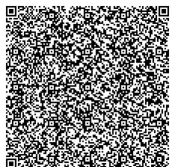
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ACCOUNT NAME, SORT CODE & ACCOUNT NO

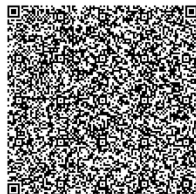
CHARITY BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

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

Archdiocese of St Andrews & St Margaret
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The Holy Name Parish
83-33-00 ~ 00176355



St. Margaret's One World Group
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SSVP AE02040
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SCRIPTURE READINGS



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FIRST READING Isaiah 25:6-10a

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death for ever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day, 'Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.'

For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Brothers and Sisters: I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me. Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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GOSPEL Matthew 22:1-10

At that time: Jesus again spoke to the chief priests and the elders of the people, in parables, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, "Tell those who are invited, 'See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' " But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find." And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.'

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

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 23(22):1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6. R1
In the LORD'S own house shall I dwell
for length of days unending..

Gospel Acclamation
Cf. Ephesians 1:17-18
Alleluia, alleluia.
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
enlighten the eyes of our hearts,
so that we may know the hope to which he has called us.
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.