



ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER FOR 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY MASS:

St Margaret's: 10 am
All Saints, Inveraray,
12: 30 pm

WEEKDAYS MASS

St Margaret's Church:

Tuesday 10.30 am

Wednesday 5 pm

Adoration of the Holy
Eucharist and Praises,

Thursday 10.30 am

Friday 10:30 am

Exposition of the Holy
Eucharist at 10 am before
Mass.

The Season of Creation
runs from September 1-
4 the World Day of
Prayer

CONFESSION

9:15 am - 9:40 am

before Mass and on request

Gift Aid

The government's Gift Aid Scheme is a very needy source of income for St Margaret's Parish. Please ensure that if you are a UK taxpayer every donation you make to the parish, including your offertory collection, is Gift Aided. Envelopes are available at the rear of the Church for this purpose.
Thank you for supporting our church.



But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan!'

PC Meeting: Our Parish Pastoral Council Meeting is today 3rd October at 3pm, all council members are encouraged to come along.

Parish's Gardening Day: Thank you all for coming out in your numbers to participate in keeping our church compound clean, you will realise that it is not just gardening but being in the company of each other, knowing more ourselves and sharing the faith.

Visitors: A warm welcome to all our visitors to St. Margaret/ Inveraray Mass station. We are glad you worship with us today, God bless you all. Please, join us after Mass for Tea/Coffee. St. Margaret Church Tea/Coffee in the church porch after Mass. All Saints Inveraray at the back of the church after Mass. Our gratitude goes to the Hospitality group who made this possible, God bless you!

Hospitality Group: We need more people to join the Hospitality group. If you are interested please write down your name on the sheet in the porch.

The National Pilgrimage to Carfin: The Annual National Pilgrimage to Carfin will return this year to its traditional date on the first Sunday in September. The Pilgrimage Mass will take place at the Grotto at 3pm on Sunday 3rd September. The Bishops have decided pray for peace, particularly in the Ukraine. Bishop Kenneth Nowakowski of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family in the UK will preach at the Mass, and the Choir of the Ukrainian Catholic community in Scotland will participate in the Mass along with the Motherwell Diocesan Choir.

Collections last Sunday

Offertory Cash both St Margaret and Inveraray £122.90, Gift Aid Envelopes £124.40 **Total £247.30.**

Standing Order for the month of August: **£1,513.00**

Church Donation Fund: **£49.00**

Diocesan Safeguarding Day will be held on Saturday 16th September. In order to join you will need to register click the link below. Once you do so you will receive a confirmation email and your link to join, please keep this safe as you will need it on the day to get in.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMscuGhrTvwGNTtX4F0UjIrdIhzZrlg5RfD>

The 2023 National Pilgrimage for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday, 17th September from 12.30pm – 6.00pm at St. Patrick’s Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh. More details are on the church notice board.

Help is required with the elderly and sick person, a least few hours a day. You would be paid if you wish to! Please, if anyone is interested contact Fr Philip for details.

MASS INTENTIONS

We pray for those whose anniversary occurs around this time, we remember and pray especially for **Stephanie Logan**.

Please send Fr. Philip any prayer intentions or anniversaries you wish to have added to the parish prayer intentions list, send the name which will be shown on this newsletter. Thank you.

REFLECTIONS

We are to follow Jesus Christ who gave Himself up on our behalf as a living sacrifice to the Father.

Do not Conform, Be Transformed!

So many of you do exactly that as your lifestyle. How often I hear about people whose lives revolve around caring for others in their families, at their workplaces, in their neighbourhoods. All of this takes sacrifice. I just spoke to a young mother whose life has gone from caring for one after another of her parents, in-laws, and grandparents. She still has to care for her husband and children. There is little to no time for herself. She does not regret this. This is her lifestyle. Her life is a living sacrifice to God.

I remember an elderly man, a widower, who married an elderly widow. They were both in their 80’s. After just a few years of marriage, she was stricken with cancer in her face. It was horrible. It took part of her nose, her jaw, her cheek. Well, that man cared for her, and protected her dignity by limiting those who saw her. When his wife passed on, I said to him that he had been a wonderful husband. He looked at me as though I was clueless and said, “Well, I took vows, didn’t I?” He took vows to live the Christian way. He gave up his life, his own pleasures, for his wife. He became a living sacrifice not just for her but to God who bound him to her. (*Msgr. Joseph Pellegrino*)

SUNDAY HYMNS

Entrance 740 Will You Come and Follow Me.
Offertory 448 Lord Accept the Gifts We Offer.
Communion 240 Do Not be Afraid.
Recessional 259 Follow Me Follow Me

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 62
For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.



The Season of Creation runs from September 1, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, to October 4th, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Pope Francis chose as the theme this year “Let Justice and Peace Flow”, inspired by Amos 5:24. He says, "Let us heed our call to stand with the victims of environmental and climate injustice, and to put an end to the senseless war against creation." The Scottish Bishops’ Conference has shared prayers and resources for the season. We had the opportunity to watch **The Letter**. Parishioners asked for a discussion on the film - please watch again on YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rps9bs85BII>) then watch this space for a time and date to talk about how climate affects us all.!