



ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER FOR 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st October 2023

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

SUNDAY MASS:

St Margaret's: 10 am
All Saints, Inveraray,
12: 30 pm
Taynuilt Parish: 4pm

WEEKDAYS MASS

St Margaret's Church:

Tuesday 10:30 am

Wednesday 5 pm

Adoration of the Holy
Eucharist and Praises,
(Taynuilt Parish Mass: 10:30am)

Thursday 11:30 am

Friday 10:30 am

Exposition of the Holy
Eucharist at 10 am before
Mass.

CONFESSION

from Tuesday to Saturday
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.

Which one did his father's will?



Our final decision for or against God — our choosing to obey Him gracefully by doing His will or our choosing to go against His will! Gifted with free will, we are the ones who choose our eternal destiny.

Brian Robins: Thank you all for your prayers for Brian and your presence at the requiem Mass on Thursday the 28th September, It was lovely, and may his soul rest in peace. Please, let us continue to pray for the family, especially his wife Morag.

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!

Collections last Sunday

Offertory Cash both St Margaret and Inveraray £263.77

Gift Aid Envelopes £132.00

Total £395.77

Sanding Order for the Month of September: **£1,829.10**

7TH OCTOBER PARISH'S RECOLLECTION, (mini retreat)

Our Lady of the Rosary-Memorial
(11 am to 3pm)

The programme is as follows:

11:00 am – Welcome address/ Prayer

11:30 am – Spiritual Reading / Talk/ Confession

Tea/Coffee Break

12: Noon - Angelus, Holy Mass (*for the intentions in the box before the altar*) *The inauguration of the extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers*

Lunch Time

1:45 pm - Second Talk (Examination of Conscience)

2:00 pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Meditation

3:00pm - Concluding with Divine Mercy prayer/ Benediction

Please, register by writing down your name on the sheet in the porch or send email: lochgilphead@rcdai.org.uk if you are going to be there! NB. This will help us to prepare materials and food.

THE LETTER: Join the discussion about The Letter on **October 4** in the Dochas Centre. Please, watch again THE LETTER by clicking the link below <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rps9bs85BII> ahead of the discussion about the film. And you might find this interesting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kealelQF1Hc>

Church Tent

Our parish tent arrived last week together with 50 folding chairs, 10 folding round tables and 2 big-long folding tables.

The tent will be mounted during the week and lunched it during the parish recollection.

Gratitude to all the parishioners for your contributions and thanks to the parish council for this project, we can now arranged and have our events (Tea/coffee)

peacefully without uncertainties!

May God to bless you all.

7th October: The inauguration of the extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers at 12 noon, during the Mass of Parish's recollection. All parishioners are most welcome.

This is a process of us resuming back to the reception of Holy Communion under both species.

Parish's Walk: This Sunday 1st October. We meet at MacPool at 3pm to walk along the canal, sensible shoes and waterproof coat required, might be a good idea to bring a bottle of water too.

Gift Shop: Our church gift shop now has more quality new cards and candles for sale at the entrance. Support the shop, the income from the shop goes to the church fund.

Wedding: The wedding between **Natalie** and **Avest** comes up on the 14th of October in Inveraray at 1 pm.



Let Justice and Peace Flow
Season of Creation 2023

A Mighty River
Amos 5: 24

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."

REFLECTIONS

Pie-Crust Promises

In the classic movie, "Mary Poppins", at the end of the first day, Mary is putting her two young charges to bed. The brother and sister are so excited from the events of the day that they ask the nanny, "You will never leave us, will you?" And the young boy quickly adds, "Will you stay if we promise to be good?" To this second question the wise nanny responds, "That is a pie-crust promise. Easily made and easily broken."

"That is a pie-crust promise. Easily made and easily broken." I like that phrase and it connects right with today's gospel ([Mt. 21:28-32](#)). "Yes, Father," says the second son "I will go out and work in the vineyard." He promises, but he does not go – a pie-crust promise. It cannot be that way with us. Discipleship is a lived reality – a lived response to the risen Lord who is just as present to us today as any of the people we now see around us with our physical eyes.

We each need to lead a responsible Christian life, saying "yes" to God

Each one of us is responsible to God for every one of our actions, and the just God will punish or reward each of us according to our actions. As we do not know at what moment death will take us, our only guarantee of dying in God's friendship is to live in that friendship always, saying "Yes" to God in our deeds. We should become men and women who profess our Faith in word and deed, remembering that, "*Not all those who say to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but those who do the will of my Father Who is in Heaven*" (Mt 7:21).

God is ever with us to strengthen us, to pardon us, and to lift us up again when, through human weakness, we stumble on the road. God is calling us right now, inviting us to work in His vineyard, inviting us to say "Yes" to Him with our words and actions. Let us accept God's invitation by purifying our hearts in the Sacrament of Reconciliation; by resolving to act upon our promises each morning before we get out of bed; and by declaring interiorly that people will be able to identify us as followers of Christ, not by empty words or pious gestures but simply by our Christian actions. In this way, we shall live a life filled with the joy that doing the will of the Father brings. (*Fr. Tony*)

SUNDAY HYMNS

Entrance 293 God of Mercy and Compassion
Offertory 316. O God We Give Ourselves to You.
Communion 349. I Am the Bread of Life.
Recessional 672. The Spirit Lives to Set us Free.

Responsorial Psalm (Psl.24)
Remember your Mercy, O Lord.