



# ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

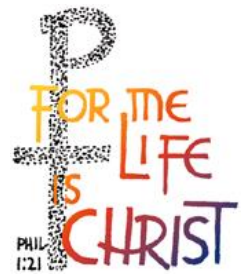
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## NEWSLETTER FOR 31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

#### SUNDAY MASS:

St Margaret's: 10 am

All Saints, Inveraray,

12: 30 pm

Taynuilt Parish: 4 pm

#### 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 10:30 am

Friday 10:30 am

Exposition of the Holy

Eucharist at 10 am before

Mass.

Saturday 10:30 am

#### CONFESSION

from Tuesday to Saturday

9:15 am - 9:40 am

before Mass and on request

#### Garden Project

Please, join our easyfundraising page, when you are buying online, and we will get a donation from the shop each time you buy through the link.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-margaret-garden>

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*The Gospel considers you great for a different reason: you are great if you serve. At the end we are all the same because we all face the same end: death.*

**Feast Day of St. Margaret 16th November**, it is a big day for our parish. St. Margaret was born in 1045, died November 16, 1093 and was canonized the year 1250 in Edinburgh. We are going to have the following programme to mark the feast of our parish's patron saint, not our parish but the whole of Scotland.

Novena to St. Margaret from 7<sup>th</sup> Nov. to 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. You can follow this on our Facebook page. We shall have Mass on the 16<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 10: 30 am followed by group photo and Tea/Coffee, cakes etc.

**Parish Christmas Fare:** At the Parish Craft Fair on Saturday 25th November we will be having a BOTTLE STALL and we would appreciate if parishioners could start collecting bottles (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) and leave them at the church before the 25th November

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

### Gift Aid Scheme

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.**

#### Collections last Sunday

Offertory Cash both St Margaret and Inveraray and Gift Aid Envelopes

**Total £232.00**

## MASS INTENTIONS

We pray for our parishioners who are sick. Also, let us continue to pray for our loved ones whose names are in our November Book of remembrance. We pray for those whose anniversary occurs this week, we remember especially **Mrs Rosanna Crolla**, and **Thomas Welch**, may their souls rest in peace.

## LED BY THE SPIRIT PHASE 2

### Consultation on our Diocesan Resources

By visiting [ledbythespirit.rcdai.org.uk](http://ledbythespirit.rcdai.org.uk) or through the diocesan website [rcdai.org.uk](http://rcdai.org.uk) you can learn much about our diocesan resources.

A lot of information has been provided but this is necessary to understand the diocese. However, it is not advisable to try and read it all in one go. This is why the material has been separated into various sections and each can be reached via the relevant link. Therefore, you can read as much or as little as you want, at your own pace and when it suits you best.

For example, the first section suggests several resources we have. Do you agree with them? Is there anything you would add? In the second section you can discover interesting facts like the size of the diocese, the number of priests, parishioners, Churches and Sunday Masses.

## REFLECTIONS

### A Teaching Father

If we wish honour or pre-eminence, let it be in service, rather than in being served. If we aspire to be Number One, let us be the first to forgive, to heal, to minister. We can't escape the message. Jesus is getting at something here.

We are brothers and sisters. That's that. In this matter of grace and salvation, there is no one of us above the other, even though some of us, by the grace of God, are asked to read the book, preach the word, offer the consecration, or pray the absolution. (Fr. John Kavanaugh, S.J.)

### Authority and Authenticity

"Authority" in Greek is "exousia". Exousia means literally "out of our being." True authority therefore does not come from titles. Authority comes from our being. For example, I think most of us priests are very conscious that when a priest is appointed pastor of a parish, he has got the title to be sure. They may even call him "Father". But if the priest does not have "exousia", if he doesn't lead and love his people out of his very being, he is pastor in title only. This is a helpful reminder to me personally because I know I am far from perfect. We would be remiss, however, to think that Jesus' critique is just for ministers.

(Bishop Frank Schuster)

## SUNDAY HYMNS

<b>Entrance</b>	<b>583</b> Praise to the Lord the Almighty
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>176</b> Blest are You Lord God of All Creation.
<b>Communion</b>	<b>628</b> Soul of My Saviour.
<b>Recessional</b>	<b>178</b> Blest Be the Lord.



### Invitation to young Catholics in Scotland...

Do you want do something about the climate crisis, but you don't know how to start? Join other Catholics from across Europe who want to take care of our common home and take part in the **Laudato Si Animators Course!**

Laudato Si' Movement is thrilled to extend a heartfelt invitation to **Catholics aged 18 to 35** across Europe. The Laudato Si' Animators course is a transformative online learning experience designed to empower young adults with the insight, practical skills, and spiritual grounding needed to champion environmental causes within your local Catholic communities.

The course begins on **8th November 2023** and will run for 5 consecutive Wednesdays on Zoom at **6pm UK time**. To register, **scan the QR code** or **visit: [www.laudatosianimators.org/lisa-youth-europe](http://www.laudatosianimators.org/lisa-youth-europe)**

For **more info** or to ask questions, please contact Anne-Marie at Justice and Peace Scotland on: [annemarie.clements@justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk](mailto:annemarie.clements@justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk)



### Big, Big, Big ... small

The wheels of the machine in the Israel of Jesus' day are turning. The chorus may not be saying "Big" per se but it is certainly humming "widen the phylacteries", "lengthen the tassels", "seats of honour", "greetings", "rabbi". The noise is almost deafening (and crushing). Jesus hears it. And Jesus says, "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

(Fr. Michael Cummins)

### Have We Not All One Father? The Greatest Among You Must Be Your Servant

In the eyes of the Gospel, there is no exclusive club that makes you feel like an outsider. In the eyes of the Gospel, there is no reason to look down on anybody else. The world may consider you great for many different reasons: success, fame, money, achievements etc. The Gospel considers you great for a different reason: you are great if you serve. At the end we are all the same because we all face the same end: death.

(Fr. Tommy Lane)

### Responsorial Psalm. Psl.130

*Keep my soul in peace before you, o Lord.*