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NEWSLETTER FOR 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### SCHEDULE THIS WEEK SUNDAY MASS:

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

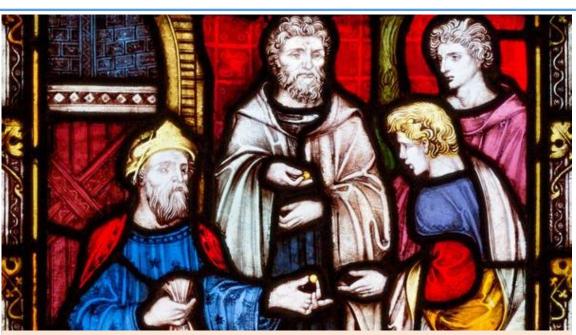
#### CONFESSION

from Tuesday to Saturday 9:15 am – 9:40 am before Mass and on request

Collections last Sunday Offertory St. Margaret and All Saints Inveraray Total £249.25

Please use the QR code below to make donations to the parish.





"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy."

#### **SUNDAY HYMNS**

Entrance461Love Divine All Loves ExcellingOffertory122All that I AmCommunion574Peace Perfect PeaceRecessional638Take Me Lord, Use My LifePsalm. Psl.127O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

**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 porch before the 25th November.

**Home Bakes** and **Helpers**: We are requesting for parishioners to bake for the parish Christmas fare on Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> November. Also, there is a sheet in the porch for parishioners to write down their names those who are available to help on that day.

#### Led by the spirit phase 2

The Led by the Spirit phase 2 consultation will take place today 19<sup>th</sup> November, after Sunday Mass. Let us help our parish, our diocese to come up with the way forward!

**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!

**Justice and Peace Group:** With levels of poverty rising and the refugee in need of help increasing, St Margaret's Justice and Peace Group is able to facilitate delivery of warm jackets and waterproof boots to both the Simon Community in Glasgow and the contact for Care4Calais. If you are able to donate, please label your donation bags 'Glasgow Homeless' or 'Care4Calais'. Thank you for your generosity.

#### The Catholic Education Collection

During the recent Synod of Bishops good formation for every member of the Church was a constant theme. Formation can be offered in many ways and to all ages. SCES supports the formation of our young parishioners in Primary and Secondary Schools throughout our diocese. Next weekend's Second Collection will support the work of SCES' and we are very grateful for your generosity.

Thank you,

Bishop Brian.

This will take place on the 26th November. There is also a QR code, scan to make your donation.

# **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.

# REFLECTIONS

#### The Boldness of Beauty

Fr. Cummins begins with reading an excerpt from An American Childhood by Annie Dillard who tells the story of watching a neighbour girl skate on the street. Her boldness and radiance inspire introspection and reflection on the power of embracing one's own light...

The Kingdom of God begins with each one of us when we make the choice to not close ourselves off in our own selfinterest but make the bold choice for life and to help alleviate the sufferings of the other person. It is a choice that must begin within – the choice to begin changing our own hearts and the choice to bring the Gospel to our world and live the Gospel for our world.

"Does beauty have to be so bold?" wondered the young Annie Dillard. Yes, it does. We are each *born to make manifest the glory of God within us.* (*Fr. Michael Cummins*)

#### The Value of Small Gifts

Everyone receives a gift, and even the smallest gifts are worth using. After all, the gifts that God gives us have been carefully chosen. Even when they look small or diminished, they can still carry a power that is beyond our perception. But that power can only be released when we use what we have been given. (*Fr. George Smiga*)





#### Christmas Fare 25<sup>th</sup> November 10: 00 am to 12: 30 pm at Lochgilphead Church of Scotland Hall

## Advent Recollection 8th Dec.

10: 30 am Opening prayer from Divine Office and presentation.11: 00 am exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.12 noon Mass followed by launch.

# Christmas Carol/Eve 24th Dec.

8: 30 pm Christmas Carol and presentations. 9: 00 pm Christmas Mass during the Night.

## Christmas Day 25th Dec.

10: am Mass in St. Margaret's Church 12: 30 pm Mass in All Saints Inveraray.



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