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Newsletter for 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

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Responsorial Psalm

Our eyes are on the Lord

till he show us his mercy.

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 5-6 pm

Adoration of the Holy **Eucharist**

(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

CONFESSIONS

from Tuesday to Saturday 9:00 am - 9:40 am before Mass and on request

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



St Margaret RC Church, Lochgi

"A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house"

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!

Peter's Pence Collection: Today we make the annual Peter's Pence Collection for apostolic and charitable ministry of the Holy Father. For more information about this collection or to make your donation online click the

https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en/gi ornate-dell-obolo.html.

Collections for last Sunday

St. Margaret and All Saints Inveraray: Cash £138.21, Gift Aid £97.50

Total: £235.71

Mission Appeal for Verona Fathers £501.38

Thank you all for your continued support to the church. God bless you!

Up Coming Events:

- Baptism, 14th July (Inveraray)
- Parish's Gardening Day
- Parish's BBQ

Led By the Spirit

Phase 3 Resources and other materials to help us prepare for our parish meetings are available on website, www.ledbythespirit.rcdai.org. uk/phase-3/ visit it, take time to read and digest all the material to be found there, and most importantly pray for the grace to recognise you are called to holiness, asking to be open to whatever is required to answer this call.

Sea Sunday: Today the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There are envelopes on the porch if you would like to donate to Stella Maris, you can also visit their website to donate www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate. Your gift will help Stella Maris chaplains continue to work for seafarers and fishers.



Gift Aid

Gift Aid. If you are a taxpayer, please ensure that you Gift Aid all donations you make to St Margaret's. This costs you nothing and we can recover an extra 25% from HMRC.

A return for 2023/24 will be made in the coming weeks and it is requested that if you have not signed a Gift Aid Declaration form in the last four years, you bring it up to date by completing one now. Gift Aid forms can be found in the church porch, and if your not sure when you last submitted a form, it does no harm to sign another anyway.

Similarly if you have made a previous Declaration and no longer pay tax, please return a form signed to indicate your present status.

REFLECTIONS

Hurt in Nazareth

Rejection by Loved Ones: The story of Jesus' rejection in Nazareth illustrates the painful reality that sometimes the people closest to us do not understand or support us. This rejection can deeply affect our self-worth and emotional wellbeing.

Jesus' Response to Rejection: Instead of dwelling on the hurt of rejection, Jesus continued to spread his message and love to those who would listen. This example shows us how to handle rejection constructively, by focusing on our calling and purpose rather than letting others dictate our self-worth.

Finding Support Elsewhere: When we face rejection from loved ones, it is essential to seek support and acceptance from others who value our gifts and love. By doing so, we can maintain a positive self-image and continue to share our gifts with the world.

(Fr. George Smiga)

Power Made Perfect in Weakness

St. Paul's "Thorn in the Flesh": The Apostle Paul struggled with an undisclosed personal problem, referred to as a "thorn in the flesh." This issue served as a reminder of his dependence on God's grace and strength.

Perfection in Weakness: The Lord's power is made perfect in our weaknesses, as revealed to Paul. This principle highlights that our shortcomings can serve as opportunities for God's strength to be displayed in our lives.

Humanity of Saints and Spiritual Leaders: Saints and spiritual leaders, like St. Paul and the prophets, faced personal struggles and imperfections. Recognizing their humanity helps us understand that God's power and truth can work through anyone, regardless of their flaws.

Focusing on God's Truth: While the messengers of God's truth may be imperfect, the truth itself remains unchanged. As followers of Christ, we should focus on the message rather than the messenger.

(Msgr. Joseph Pellegrino)