



## ST. MARGARET'S PARISH

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### Newsletter for the 3rd Sunday of Easter

4<sup>th</sup> May 2025

## 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:

Mass Tuesday  
10:30 am

Wednesday 5-6 pm  
Adoration of the Holy Eucharist  
(Taynuilt Parish Mass: 10:30am)

Mass Thursday  
10:30 am  
Exposition at 10 am

Friday 10:30 am  
Exposition of the Holy Eucharist  
at 10 am before Mass

Saturday 10:30 am  
Exposition at 10 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.



#### Bank Details

Account Name:  
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and the Isles  
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Welcome to all visitors at St. Margaret's Church and All Saints Church, Inveraray Mass Station. We are happy that you joined us for worship today. Please join us for tea or coffee in the mini hall after Mass. A big thank you to the Hospitality group for organizing this. God bless you.

### SCIAF: Thank you!

A heartfelt thank you to all parishioners who generously supported this year's WEE BOX Appeal. Your compassion and solidarity with those living in the world's poorest communities is helping to bring hope, and a brighter future to millions. If you haven't already returned your WEE BOX or made your Lenten donation, there's still time! Every donation, no matter the size, makes a real difference. You can also donate to SCIAF by visiting [sciaf.org.uk/weebox](http://sciaf.org.uk/weebox) or by calling 0141 354 5555. Thank you, once again, for your wonderful generosity. '

### Retreat in Lochgilphead

Come join us for a day of retreat in Lochgilphead on 24<sup>th</sup> May. It will be a day filled with relaxing activities for your mind and body. We will have lectio divina, teach you relaxation techniques, hold creative art sessions, and more. The event is free to attend. Please bring food to share for breakfast, and lunch will be provided.

For more information and to book, please contact Kinga at 07778627634 or email [kingunia2002@yahoo.com](mailto:kingunia2002@yahoo.com)

### Bishop Brian Pastoral Visit

Bishop Brian is scheduled to have pastoral visit to our parish on June 1st also to perform the Sacrament of Confirmation. We are excited about his visit and should welcome him with love and prayers as always.

### Assisted Suicide Bill

The Scottish Parliament is expected to vote on assisted suicide in the coming weeks. Please scan the QR code or visit <https://carenokilling.scot/> to email your MSPs in a few easy clicks!



### Collections for last Sunday

St. Margaret and All Saints Inveraray:  
Cash £126.22 Gift Aid £120.00 Total: £246.22

Church Building Fund Donation £200

Easter Flowers. £128.34

If you are **JF Murphy** or know him, please contact Fr. Philip. Thank you.

## **Justice and Peace Group**

The next meeting hosted by St Margaret's Justice and Peace Group will be on Tuesday May 11 in the MS Centre at 7pm, with speaker Anne-Marie Clements of the Justice and Peace Commission, who visited the Holy Land in January. Hear her witness of the experience.

In the meantime, if you have any redundant spectacles, could you give them to Marian, who will take to Specsavers which recycles them - one more thing to keep out of landfill and be given a useful after life. Clothes and household items for Unity in the Community are always welcome, as are donations of food and toiletries for Moving On Mid Argyll.

## **The Liturgy Works weekends**

The Liturgy Works weekends will be held on September 19th to 21st at the Conforti Institute in Coatbridge. This weekend event will include workshops, spiritual talks, liturgical singing, prayer, and a chance to meet people from different parishes in Argyll and the Isles. Look for the poster on the church noticeboard for more information. .

### **A prayer for a new Pope:**

O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care,  
grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church  
who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **REFLECTIONS**

## **Father, He is Risen!**

The man who entered the Church the week after Easter was old, very old. He was stooped over. He carried an oxygen pack. He had a cane, but he could barely walk. His face was thinned and his hair was a distant memory. He had to have been in his late 90's. He saw me and looked up, and with a smile said, "Father, He is risen." He said all that needs to be said.

The reality of Easter impacts the core of our being. Jesus Christ has risen from the dead. The spiritual is real. And we who are united to Him through our baptism have risen with Him. This life is full of limitations, but there are no limitations to the resurrected life. What I heard the elderly gentleman saying was, "My life here is coming to an end, but I have great hope. My life with Jesus is forever. He is risen. And so am I." And so are we!

Everything is changed. Everything is renewed. We speak about the new life of the Lord at Easter, but perhaps we do not really understand the profound implications of His rising from the dead. Nothing that happens in this world has value unless it flows from Him and leads back to Him. (Msgr. Joseph Pellegrino).