



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH

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Newsletter for the Solemnity Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

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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:

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:

RC Diocese of Argyll
and the Isles

Lochgilphead Mission.

Sort Code: 83-91-25

Ac. Number: 65627606

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.

Young Adults Group:

The St. Margarets Young Adults Group invites all young adults to join the first meeting to discuss upcoming events and activities. This gathering will take place at St. Margarets Mini Hall on Monday, June 30th, at 7 PM. We hope to see you there!

Peters Pence: Today is Peter's Pence collection, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. This yearly collection helps support the Holy See and its charitable initiatives, enabling the faithful to show their solidarity with the Pope and contribute to the needs of the Universal Church.

Papal Nuncio:

The Papal Nuncio Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, is making a pastoral visit to every diocese in Scotland, England and Wales. He will be visiting Argyll and the Isles from Tuesday 22nd to Friday 25th July 2025. The Nuncio will visit our deanery on the 22nd July, Mass will be in the Cathedral, Oban at 5pm. All are invited.

Stella Maris:

Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) is seeking one volunteer from this parish please to help with Sea Sunday (which falls on 12/13 July this year) in this parish. This is the day when the Church comes together to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, and takes a second collection to support the work of Stella Maris. The volunteer will read out the appeal (which Stella Maris will provide) at the end of Masses that weekend. If you can kindly do this, please contact roland.hayes@stellamarismail.org or call 07887 893 763.

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. The cost for the weekend is £180 for full board. I understand that this is more expensive than before, but it has been five years since we last met and prices have increased significantly. A deposit of £50 should be paid into the bank account of Mrs. D. Maclean, with sort code 874362 and account number 72783760.

Daavar Island half day trip:

Everyone is welcome to join Kinga, Moira and Henry for a gentle walk to Daavar Island Crucifixion Cave on 19th July. We will meet at 11am on Daavar Island car park and head to the cave. We plan stone painting as well if weather permitting. Waterproof footing recommended. Please contact Kinga for further information on kingunia2002@yahoo.com or 07778627634.

Collections for last Sunday

St. Margaret and All Saints Inveraray:

Cash £96.20 Gift Aid 77.00 Total: £173.20

REFLECTIONS

Lighting a candle as a form of prayer

Do you have an intention that lies heavy on your heart? Consider lighting a votive candle this weekend, asking God to grant you his comfort and peace.

In Catholic tradition, each candle lit is a reminder of the person who lit the candle. All the candles collectively symbolise the prayers contained within the hearts of so many believers. Some people light a candle every Sunday, and you wonder what their intention might be. Some people light three or four candles; perhaps one for each of their children. Other people will go to a church or shrine after receiving a bad medical diagnosis or hearing that someone else has received bad news. There is something cathartic about this prayerful and ritualistic action.

Lighting a candle for the dead is a symbolic act of remembrance and prayer, often accompanied by prayers for the deceased's soul to find rest and peace. It signifies that the light of Christ, the "Light of the World," will illuminate the path for the departed and bring comfort to the living.

There are various prayer formats labelled 1 to 5, as outlined below. Take a moment to light a candle before the Mass.

Prayer When Lighting A Candle (1)

Lord may this candle be a light for you to enlighten me in my difficult decisions, and may it be a fire for you to purify me from all pride and selfishness.

May it be a flame for you to build warmth into my heart towards my family,

My neighbours and all those who meet me.

Through the prayers of Mary, virgin and mother,

I place in your care those I come to remember, especially:
.....*State your intention*

In leaving this candle, I wish to give you something of myself.

Help me to continue this prayer into everything I do this day. Amen.

Prayer When Lighting A Candle (2)

As I light this candle remind me that You are warm and loving, that You call me to live in Your light ...

As I light this candle kindle the flame of Your love in me. Amen.

Prayer When Lighting A Candle (3)

O Blessed Lord, accept this burning candle as a sign of my faith and love for you. Like this candle, I am ready to be used in your service, without asking why and to what purpose.

Even as this candle, I wish to stand in your presence to be consumed in the light and warmth of your love.

Please hear my prayer and, if it be your will, grant my petition.

Above all, make me loyal and faithful to you in all circumstances of my life. Amen.

Prayer When Lighting A Candle (4)

Lord, may this candle which I light illuminate all my difficulties and decisions.

May this candle be a fire that burns away all my pride, selfishness and all my other sins.

May this candle be a flame that warms my heart and incites me to love.

Lord I cannot stay long in this Church, but in lighting this candle I leave a symbol of myself which I want to give to you in love and praise.

Help me, Lord, to prolong this prayer during the activities of this day. Amen.

Prayer When Lighting A Candle (5)

I stand here, in this church, where many before me have come to pray and entrust their petitions to the intercession of Mary, our Mother.

I stand here, knowing that many people will come to this sacred place after me, and if God wills it, may I return here to pray again and to give thanks to God for answered prayers.

As I go forth from this church, I light this candle and ask Mary to join her prayers to mine, especially for

..... *State your intention*

This candle is a reminder, that my prayer continues after I leave this place.

Thank you, Mary, for praying with me and for my intention, and thank you God, for the way in which you will answer my prayer according to your providence.

Open my heart to accept your will and give me confidence in heaven's prayers, through Christ our Lord. Amen.