



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH

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Newsletter for the 22nd 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:

Mass Tuesday
10:30 am

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

Mass Thursday
10:30 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
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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.

Bishop Brian Pastoral Letter : Bishop Brian has written a pastoral letter regarding the situation in the Holy Land. You can find copies of this letter at the porch of the church. Please take one.

Air Card Reader: We now have an Air Card Reader, a contactless donation machine for visitors and parishioners who would like to donate to the parish but do not have cash. This available in the porch. Thanks

Ecclesiastical Students Fund: On our special collection Schedule, next Sunday there will a second collection for the Ecclesiastical Students Fund. Thank you in for your generosity.

Aid to the Church in Need: North Korean defector to share his remarkable story of survival, courage, and hope. Wednesday 10th September, St Joseph's Church Hall, Clarkston, 7pm – 9pm. Free event. Hear the powerful testimony of a Christian who escaped the brutal regime in North Korea. Reserve your ticket at <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FDYV>. For more information, please contact the ACN Scotland office at scotland@acnuk.org or call 01698 337 470.

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.

Season of Creation Conference: The Bishops' Office for Care of Creation invites you to their National Season of Creation Conference on Saturday 6th September 2025 in St. Margaret's, Raploch, 10am – 3pm. Come and join Archbishop Nolan and our special guest Lorna Gold, the Executive Director of the global Laudato Si Movement. Book a place on www.bcos.org.uk/scc25.

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the publication of Pope Francis's encyclical, Laudato si', which continued and developed the Church's social teaching on ecological issues. Laudato si', was addressed to "all people of goodwill", amongst other Christians and people of other faiths and none.

There are several study guide resources available online about Laudato Si' which include • reflections • discussion questions • ideas for action • prayers

To mark Laudato Si' 2025 in St Margarets parish it is proposed to have a book club once a week during the Season of Creation 2025 (September 1st-October 4th) the theme of which is "Peace with Creation".

Please sign the notice in the church porch if you would be interested in taking part.

Collections for last Sunday

St. Margaret and All Saints Inveraray:

Cash £103.20 Gift Aid 150.00 Card Reader: £35 Total: £288.20

Justice & Peace : The next Justice & Peace meeting will be in the mini hall on Tuesday September 9 at 7pm. All are welcome.

Glasses: Thanks to everyone who has donated glasses for recycling. The box is still in the porch for more donations.

The Food Hub (Moving On Mid Argyll) is prioritising canned vegetables, tinned fish and meat, and can now take items such as yogurts, etc as there is a fridge. Toilet rolls, toiletries, etc are also very welcome. Thanks as always for your generosity.

Unity in the Community Can you donate clothes, shoes, toys and household items for the refugees served by Unity in the Community? Marian will make another delivery very soon. we are thanked very warmly by this organisation.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN – SUNDAY 7th September 2025

The National Pilgrimage at the National Shrine to Our Lady of Lourdes, Carfin, will take place on Sunday 7th September. As we are in the midst of the Jubilee Year the theme for this year's Pilgrimage will be Pilgrims of Hope. Holy Mass will be celebrated at the Shrine at 3.15 pm, the main Celebrant and Preacher being the Most Rev. Leo Cushley, Archbishop of St Andrew's and Edinburgh, who is celebrating his 40th Anniversary as a Priest this year.

Our new Pope, Leo XIV, recently announced that Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, will be canonised on this day in Rome, so it seems an ideal day for the Scottish Catholic Community to come together to joyfully celebrate our faith in communion with Pope Leo and the Universal Church.

2025 Centenary Pilgrimage to Pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair

The 2025 Centenary Pilgrimage to pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday 21 September from 12.30-6pm at St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NA. 12.30-1.30: Refreshments & sale of candles/goods; 1.30-2.30: Holy Hour; 3.00-4.00: Reflection; 4.30: Holy Mass concelebrated with Archbishop Cushley. Confessions available all day.

REFLECTIONS

Who We Really Are: Citizens of Heaven

The Church is called to be the place where there are no divisions, labels, prejudices, and stereotypes. While God calls us to serve in diverse ways in the Church, the Church is to be the earthly reflection of heaven.

We don't need to worry about keeping up false appearances when we know who we really are, citizens of heaven. Our concern is not in seeking the first place but in living the spiritual reality of who we are: priceless, purchased by the precious blood of Jesus. As we realize who we are and who everyone else is, we see that the divisions and prejudices of society show that society has not yet arrived at an understanding of what society is called to be.

(Fr. Tommy Lane)