



# St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

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*A warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors*



9th October 2022 [Cycle C Year 2]

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday

2 Kings 5:14-17 | Psalm 98

2 Timothy 2:8-13 | Luke 17:11-19



## Mass Intentions and Diary for the week

Friday 7	9.30am	Ronald Killick (RIP)
<b>Our Lady of the</b>	12.30pm	<b>Mass for the Sick</b>
<b>Rosary + CAFOD'S</b>	7pm	<b>Wholehearted Adoration</b>
<b>Family Fast Day</b>		
<i>[First Friday]</i>		
Saturday 8	9.30am	Ellen Secka (TG)
	10.15am	Coffee Club
	5.15pm	Devotion to Our Lady
	6pm	
Sunday 9	9am	Lola Domingo (WB) (FC)
<i>[Psalm Wk 4]</i>	11am	(CC)
<b>Prisoners' Sunday</b>		
Monday 10	9.30am	
Tuesday 11	9.30am	<b>People of the Parish</b>
Wednesday 12	9.30am	<b>Richard Neal (WB)</b>
	7.30pm	Central Choir Practice
	8pm	Bible Study
Thursday 13	9.30am	Living & Dead Members of the Bully Family
<b>St Edward</b>	6pm	Youth Choir Practice
	7.30pm	Folk Choir Practice
Friday 14	9.30am	<b>Ellen &amp; Leslie Balls (RIP)</b>
Saturday 15	9.30am	
<b>St Teresa of Jesus</b>	10.15am	Coffee Club
	5.15pm	Devotion to Our Lady
	6pm	
Sunday 16	9am	(YC)
<b>Volunteers' Sunday</b>	11am	(CC)

FC= Folk Choir, YC= Youth Choir, CC= Central Choir,

TG= Thanksgiving, W= Wellbeing, BT= Birthday Thanksgiving, SI= Special

Intention, RIP= Rest in Peace, GP= God's Protection and PI= Private Intention

NOTE: Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration follows every weekday Mass, until 11am on Monday through Thursday, and until 8pm on Friday.

A foreign leper is cleansed and in thanksgiving returns to offer homage to the God of Israel. We hear this same story in both the First Reading and Gospel today.

There were many lepers in Israel in Elisha's time, but only Naaman the Syrian trusted in God's Word and was cleansed (see Luke 5:12-14). Today's Gospel likewise implies that most of the ten lepers healed by Jesus were Israelites—but only a foreigner, the Samaritan, returned.

In a dramatic way, we're being shown today how faith has been made the way to salvation, the road by which all nations will join themselves to the Lord, becoming His servants, gathered with the Israelites into one chosen people of God, the Church (see Isaiah 56:3-8).

Today's Psalm also looks forward to the day when all peoples will see what Naaman sees—that there is no God in all the earth except the God of Israel.

We see this day arriving in today's Gospel. The Samaritan leper is the only person in the New Testament who personally thanks Jesus. The Greek word used to describe his "giving thanks" is the word we translate as "Eucharist."

And these lepers today reveal to us the inner dimensions of the Eucharist and sacramental life.

We, too have been healed by our faith in Jesus. As Naaman's flesh is made again like that of a little child, our souls have been cleansed of sin in the waters of Baptism. We experience this cleansing again and again in the Sacrament of Penance—as we repent our sins, beg and receive mercy from our Master, Jesus.

We return to glorify God in each Mass, to offer ourselves in sacrifice—falling on our knees before our Lord, giving thanks for our salvation.

In this Eucharist, we remember "Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David," Israel's covenant king. And we pray, as Paul does in today's Epistle, to persevere in this faith—that we too may live and reign with Him in eternal glory.

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## St Margaret's New Kitchen

Our new kitchen is very close to completion but as you would expect, this has been a costly project and we need to reduce the outstanding debt. We welcome your donations. A novel concept is the sponsorship of different items that have been bought within the refurbishment project. A poster in the Meeting Area, invites you to examine these items and the associated costs. It also provides a means by which you can sponsor a kitchen item.

**Anniversaries:** Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur this month. They can be found in our website Documents.

**Prayer requests:** Wendy Counsell, Paula Seradi, Maria Luisa Mappley, Sheila Sharp, Michal Pacala, Hilda Gill, Michael Rowback, Max & Isabelle Mifsud, Catherine Roberts, Kristine Harvey, Margaret Fox and Richard Neal.

**Family Fast Day:** Please remember to bring your donations this Sunday for Cafod's appeal for the food crisis in East Africa. Alternatively, you can donate online at [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)

## First Holy Communion Programme

There is a meeting for parents at the church on Monday 10th Oct at 5.00pm. The first class for children will be held at the church on Monday 17th Oct at 5.00pm. *Rosie Westcott*

## October is the month of the Holy Rosary.

During October the Rosary will be said before the 9.00am Mass on Sundays (at about 8.40am) as well as after each weekday and Saturday morning Mass. The Rosary will also be said on Saturday at 5.15pm as part of our Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour.

Please join us in our October Devotions to our Blessed Mother Mary.

## St Margaret's Food Collection

This month's Top Ten priority items: Cartons of Long-Life Whole Milk (for clients' children) • Jars of Honey & Jam • Jars of Peanut Butter, Meat Paste & Fish Paste • Tinned Plain Meat Meals such as Beef Stew, Minced Beef • Jars of Tomato Pasta Sauce • Tinned Tomatoes • Tinned Dessert Fruit • Children's Chocolate Treats • Toilet Rolls • Washing Up Liquid.

## Planned Giving Drive

Next weekend we launch our planned giving drive. Over the next few weeks we will ask that all parishioners reflect on their commitment to our parish. As a parish and as individuals, we are blessed with many, varied gifts. We encourage everyone to reflect on how they can share their gifts of time, talent and financial blessings with our parish community. These gifts come from God, so let us strive to return a sacrificial portion to Him.

## Pope Francis: To throw away food is to throw away people

Last week, on the International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste, Pope Francis said: "Both the loss and the waste of food are truly deplorable events because they divide humanity between those who have too much and those who lack the essentials because they increase inequalities, generate injustice and deny the poor what they need to live in dignity."

*Taken from Vatican News*

## An Invitation to our monthly Prayer Vigil

At the Home Office, Marsham Street, SW1P 4DF from 12.30-1.30pm. Every third Monday of the month.

We remember: those who have died trying to reach the UK, the victims of the war in Ukraine, the workers with asylum seekers in detention centres, those supporting homeless migrants, those struggling to inject welcome and humanity into our legislation. Add your name to our mailing list for future dates and prayer sheets in advance via

[Barbarakentish@talktalk.net](mailto:Barbarakentish@talktalk.net) or [johanmaertens@hotmail.com](mailto:johanmaertens@hotmail.com)

## Friends of the Holy Land Charity complain:

We are facing together a steep drop in our spending power because of the falling international value of the pound which is eroding the reach of our grants in the Holy Land. Although freely convertible, the Israeli Shekel is 'benchmarked' to the US Dollar US\$1 = NIS 3.1. Since January, when the pound/dollar rate was £1 = \$1.37 to it being around £1 = \$1.08 today means we need you to help us raise 21% more funds in sterling this year than in 2021 just to maintain our grants in the Holy Land at the same level. That's an extra £120,000 we need to find for our grant making just to stand still. If you would like to help this charity that supports vulnerable Christians in the Holy Land, go to:

<https://tinyurl.com/2nesk93a>



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**This Month's Winning Numbers (October)**

1st Prize £50	Winning Number: 93
2nd Prize £25	Winning Number: 39
3rd Prize £10	Winning Number: 49
PLUS	
Quarterly Prize £50	Winning Number: 9

## The London Marathon 2nd October 2022

Maria Felicetti and Nicola Fletcher completed the London Marathon and send very many thanks to all those who supported them and contributed to the 'Just Giving' fund for The Catholic Children's Society,

The total received is £2,314.00, plus additional Gift Aid refunds.

## Catholics warn 'Christian nationalism' threatens democracy

Leaders of national Catholic social justice organizations, scholars at Catholic colleges and presidents of Catholic universities across the United States are warning that 'Christian nationalism' and systematic efforts to undermine voting rights threaten our democracy. In a recent statement the Catholic leaders declared: "Powerful institutions and political leaders are working to rig the system and erect racially discriminatory obstacles to voting and full participation in American life. Voter suppression is a sin and silence is complicity."

"White Christian nationalism - an ideology heretical to authentic faith - represents a clear and present danger to building a multi-faith, multiracial democracy. Testimony and evidence from Congressional hearings on the violent insurrection against our country last January 6th have only strengthened our urgency to confront attacks against the principle that voters choose our leaders in free and peaceful elections."

*Taken from The Independent Catholic News*

## Flame 2023

The theme of Flame 2023 – which is exactly 150 days before World Youth Day in Lisbon – takes the WYD Scripture "Mary arose and went with haste" and crystallises it into the theme, "Rise Up!" Rise up after the pandemic, Rise up as young Catholics, Rise up – as Mary did – for the surprising and beautiful adventure that is our Catholic faith. This is for Catholic young people of secondary school age and above. It is a wonderful opportunity for schools and parish youth and confirmation groups. For further details: <https://cymfed.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/FLAME-2023-5.pdf>

## World Youth Day – August 2023

The Archdiocese is taking a group of pilgrims (aged 18-35 at the time of travel) to World Youth Day in Lisbon in 2023.

Provisional dates are 31st July to 7th August. To register your interest and receive more information, please go to [bit.ly/wydsouthwark](https://bit.ly/wydsouthwark) - Further information about World Youth Day is at [www.lisboa2023.org/en/](http://www.lisboa2023.org/en/)

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## London: Vacancy for Leader in Ignatian Spirituality

The Spirituality lead at the London Jesuit Centre (LJC) will be experienced in Ignatian Spirituality and able to offer retreats, courses in prayer, discernment, Ignatian Spirituality and general Catholic/Christian Spirituality. The Spirituality lead is line-manager for two members of staff and a number of volunteers. Salary £50,000. Interested? Apply to the Director at: [ljcdirector@jesuit.org.uk](mailto:ljcdirector@jesuit.org.uk)