



St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

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A warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors



2nd October 2022 [Cycle C Year 2]

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday

1 Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4 | Psalm 95

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 | Luke 17:5-10

Because of his faith, the just man shall live. We hear in today's First Reading the original prophetic line made so central by St. Paul (see Romans 1:17; Galatians 3:11; Hebrews 10:38). We are to live by faith in Christ who loved us and gave Himself on the Cross for us (see Galatians 2:20).

The world, though, can seem to us as seventh-century Judah seemed to Habakkuk—in the control of God's enemies. The strife and discord we face in our own lives can sometimes cause us to wonder, as the prophet does, why God doesn't seem to hear or intervene when we cry for help.

We can't let our hearts be hardened by the trials we undergo. As today's Psalm reminds us: Israel forgot His mighty works, lost faith in the sound words of His promise. They tested God in the desert, demanding a sign.

But God didn't redeem Israel from Egypt only to let them die in the desert. And He didn't ransom us from futility only to abandon us in our trials. He is our God and we are the people He shepherds always—though at times His mercy and justice seem long delayed.

If we call on the Lord, as the Apostles do in today's Gospel, He will increase our faith, will stir to a flame the Holy Spirit who has dwelt within us since Baptism.

As Paul tells us in today's Epistle, the Lord will always give us the love and self-control we need to bear our share of hardship for the Gospel—with a strength that can come from God alone. Our task is to continue doing what He has commanded—to love and to build up His kingdom—trusting that His vision still presses on to its fulfilment.

For His vision still has its time. One day, though we are but "unprofitable servants," we will be invited to eat and drink at our Master's table. It is that day we anticipate with each celebration of the Eucharist.

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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.

Bring a Tin for Harvest Sunday: This Sunday 2 October we will celebrate Harvest Sunday at St Margaret's. Parishioners are asked to bring offerings for the Food Bank this weekend. Each family is asked to consider bringing at least one tin or other item. All the donations will be displayed on the sanctuary during Mass. So please remember - *bring a tin for Harvest Sunday.*



Mass Intentions and Diary for the week

Friday 30	9.30am	
St Jerome		
Saturday 1	9.30am	Gerard Mascarenhas (RIP)
St Therese of the Child Jesus	10.15am	Coffee Club
	5.15pm	Devotion to Our Lady
	6pm	
Sunday 2	9am	(YC)
[Psalm Wk 3]	11am	(CC)
Rosary Sunday + Harvest Sunday		
Monday 3	9.30am	
Tuesday 4	9.30am	People of the Parish
St Francis of Assisi		
Wednesday 5	9.30am	Richard Neal (WB)
St Faustina	7.30pm	Central Choir Practice
	8pm	Bible Study
Thursday 6	9.30am	
St Bruno	6pm	Youth Choir Practice
	7.30pm	Folk Choir Practice
Friday 7	9.30am	Ronald Killick (RIP)
(First Friday)	12.30pm	Mass for the Sick
Our Lady of the Rosary + CAFOD'S Family Fast Day	7pm	Wholehearted Adoration
Saturday 8	9.30am	Ellen Secka (TG)
St John Henry Newman	10.15am	Coffee Club
	5.15pm	Devotion to Our Lady
	6pm	
Sunday 9	9am	(FC)
	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.

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.

Community Outreach

As part of our Evangelisation sub-group's ongoing plan, St Margaret's will be praying for the residents in Stanley Square during the month of October. Cards will be put through residents' letter boxes informing them of this.

Charlotte Heard

Birthdays Wishes

We wish our Main Editor Geoff Balls a very happy birthday. Praying that God's blessing be with him today and always.

PACT Parish Co-ordinator

We thank Paula Scatchard for accepting to be our Parish Representative for PACT.

Stamps Recycled

Once again, a large parcel of stamps has gone to raise funds for the Leprosy Mission. Medical teams are working hard to catch up with programmes interrupted by the pandemic, especially screening for children. Early diagnosis prevents later development of the disease and disability. Many thanks to everyone who contributed stamps – please keep it up!

Anne Towner

World Day of Migrants and Refugees (Sunday 25 Sept 2022)

"Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees" is the theme chosen by the Holy Father for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR). Pope Francis highlighted the commitment that we are all called to share in building a future that embraces God's plan, leaving no one behind. It includes the following:

"Dear brothers and sisters, and, in a special way, young people! If we want to cooperate with our heavenly Father in building the future, let us do so together with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees. Let us build the future today! For the future begins today and it begins with each of us. We cannot leave to future generations the burden of responsibility for decisions that need to be made now, so that God's plan for the world may be realized and his Kingdom of justice, fraternity, and peace may come."

You can find out more at: <https://migrants-refugees.va/resource-center/world-day-of-migrants-refugees-2022/>

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The Columban Missionaries in Britain and Ireland are proud to announce the launch of their latest Schools Media Competition which this year has the title: 'Building Peaceful Futures'. It was launched on World Peace Day, 21 September. The competition is targeted at students aged between 13-18 years old who are invited to demonstrate an awareness and an understanding of conflict and peace-making in the world today through the submission of either a written article or an original image. Students are being asked to do their own research and shine light on people, communities and/or organisations who are trying to make the world a better place for everyone by building peaceful futures. More information at: <https://www.columbancompetition.com/>



A Letter to Jacob Rees-Mogg

Here are a few extracts from the Laudato Si Animators'* letter. It begins: "Dear Mr Rees-Mogg,

We would like to offer our congratulations on your appointment as Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. We felt that such a strong Catholic as yourself would help to promote Catholic Social Teaching (CST) on environmental responsibility."

"You must have read reports of Pope Francis speaking in the strongest terms about taking immediate steps to end fossil fuel production and consumption. For instance, on 14-6-2019, he said to oil and gas executives whom he met at the Vatican: The climate crisis requires our decisive action, here and now."

"To us, it seems clear that the Pope is calling for an immediate end to fossil fuel extraction, as a means not only of saving the planet but also of providing for the needs of poor people. Do you feel that we may be wrong, and that your actions regarding fossil fuels are more in keeping with present Catholic teaching? What are the strategies that you plan to put in place to ensure a rapid end to fossil fuel production and consumption? We look forward to your response."

**Laudato Si Animators UK is a group of people who have graduated from the Catholic Laudato Si' Movement's 'Animators' Course', which is set up to educate and enable people to inspire others, in parishes, schools and in the world at large, to engage in dialogue and action on the current environmental crisis. You can find out more at: <https://laudatosianimators.org/>*

CAFOD Family Fast Day – World Food Crisis Appeal

Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. As each day goes by, the situation worsens. As people of faith we must act. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please give today or start a monthly gift to CAFOD. Use the envelope for our parish collection on Sunday 9 October or go to cafod.org.uk/fastday.

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