



23rd Sunday of the Year 4th September 2022

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH:

Regina Ammam, Irene Bett, Mary Bett, Isabel Boyle, Alan Brown, Norah Cairney, Anne Cairns, Margaret Carruthers, Donald & Edna Copland, Helen Conway, John Cawley, Thomas Devine, Margaret Doherty, Patsy Docherty, Vera Eastwood, Baby Ava Gordon, Agnes Heggie, David House, Julia Hughes, Celia Hunter, Gerard (Gerry) Inglis, Kaz Kaney, Helen Killiard, Lusie Koloczek, Joe Lahbib, John Lydon, Terry & Allan MacDonald, Georges Marquetty, Marlene Mathieson, Beth Meldrum, Isabel McDonald (Lafferty), Cathy McIvor, Karen McKay, Margaret McKay, Maureen McLynn, May Millar, May Robertson, May Robinson, Margaret Mullin, Margaret O'Rourke, Ruby Quinn, Margaret Rainy, Cherie Todd, Celia Walker, John Wilson, Greta Wright.

Live Stream: In St Mary's, all Masses are livestreamed. Search for St Mary's Catholic Parish Stirling on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AvGpDF7rOVU> Or see the Live steam link on our website - search on stirlingstmarys.org

Last Rites - Emergency callouts: The arrangements will vary between different hospitals and care homes. Please follow all the safety protocols provided by them. If the person is at home, please contact the Parish.

Regular Mass Schedule: But please see the Church Schedule (next page) which confirms any exceptions / additions week on week for Feasts, Holidays of Obligation etc.

	St Mary's	Holy Spirit	St Margaret's
Monday	10.00am	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass	10.00am	No Mass
Wednesday	No Mass	No Mass	10.00am
Thursday	10.00am	No Mass	No Mass
Friday	10.00am	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday	10.00am	No Mass	No Mass
Sunday	6.00pm (Vigil) 11.00am	9.30am	11.00am 6.30pm

May the choirs of Angels come to greet you; may they speed you to paradise



*Of your charity
please pray for the soul of:*

- William (Billy) Begley** who died 15th August, aged 68
- Carlo Giuliani** who died 11th August, aged 83
- Ann Walmsley** who died 19th August, aged 75
- Martha McEwan** who died 22nd August, aged 87
- Catherine McLelland Lyons** who died 27th, August, aged 77
- Marlyn Hunter** who died 28th August, aged 71
- Frances Flockhart** who died 29th August, aged 66



Church Schedule for This Week: Sunday 4th September

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before weekdays 9.30am Mass

Sundays: Year C. Weekdays: Year 2	St Mary's (SMY)	Holy Spirit (HS)	St Margaret (SMT)	Confession (And by Appointment)
Sunday 4th September 23 rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	6.00pm (Vigil) 11.00am	9.30am	11.00am 6.30pm	5.00pm to 5.50pm before Vigil Mass
Monday 5th September 23 rd Week of the Year St Teresa of Calcutta	10.00am ▪ <i>Patricia Duncan (RIP)</i>	No Mass	No Mass	
Tuesday 6th September 23 rd Week of the Year	No Mass	10.00am ▪ <i>Month's mind: George Farmer (RIP)</i>	11.30am Funeral Mass: Catherine Lyons	9.30am - 10.00am before Mass
Wednesday 7th September 23 rd Week of the Year	No Mass	No Mass	10.00am ▪ <i>A sick person</i>	9.30am - 10.00am before Mass
Thursday 8th September THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY - FEAST	10.00am ▪	11.30am Funeral Mass: Martha McEwan	No Mass	
Friday 9th September 23 rd Week of the Year St Peter Claver	10.00am ▪	No Mass	11.30am Funeral Mass: Ann Walmsley	9.30am - 10.00am before Mass
Saturday 10th September 23 rd Week of the Year	10.00am ▪ <i>John Lindsay (RIP) Birthday Remembrance</i>	No Mass	No Mass	9.30am - 10.00am before Mass

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Sunday Plate Collection: *(Excludes standing order payments)*

Date	St Mary's	Holy Spirit	St Margaret's
28 th August	£614.50	£184.00	£592.00

Message from Fr Jamie

Dear parishioners.

It was with a heavy heart that I left my parish in Falkirk, however I am delighted to be returning to Stirling after 17 years. It gives me great comfort knowing that I am returning to a parish with many people whom I know and who support the life of the parish community. I look forward to meeting you all again as well as those whom I don't yet know. Hopefully, we won't be strangers for long! There will be a lot of challenges ahead as I endeavour to serve the parish, the High School, the Community Hospital, and the University. I am sure with your help and support and God's grace we can continue to build on the good work of Fr Robert. In due course I will meet with the Parish pastoral council, the finance and fabric committee's and the various groups within the parish. In the meantime, most things in the parish will remain the same and I will try to communicate and explain any changes as they arise. May the Lord in his goodness continue to bless us as a parish community as we journey together in faith.

Grateful Thanks to Fr James Smith and Fr Louis Uwaezuoke who have supported Fr Gabriel throughout August.

The Annual Parish Assembly provisionally planned for 7th September has been postponed and will be rearranged for a future date.

St Mary's Gardening Club Coffee Morning - Sion House Friday 16th September 11.00am after Mass All proceeds will go towards the cost of a Tool Shed. Tickets are £3 and available from St Mary's Porch, or you can pay at the door on the day. Home baking and tablet will be on sale. Also, we need gardening tools so if you have any hand tools you don't use, they would be most welcome!

Young Adults Group The next meeting of the Young Adults Group is on the 8th of September at 7.00pm at St. Mary's. Also, the National Youth Pilgrimage to Dunkeld is taking place on Saturday the 24th of September, the Edinburgh Young Adult group have offered to share transport with a pick up at Stirling services. If you are interested in coming, please secure a space by contacting: 07883 824055.

St Margaret's Ladies Group meet every Thursday 7.30pm St Margaret's Church Hall. All are welcome.

Holy Spirit Tuesday Teas Tea and coffee are served after Mass on Tuesday Mornings in Holy Spirit Upper Room. All Welcome!

Sunday Teas at St Mary's Are on after 11.00am Mass today.

New Dawn Day St Mirin's Cathedral Paisley Saturday 17th September 2022 from 10am to 8;30pm. Starting with Mass at 10.00am we invite you to a day filled with praise & worship, workshops, youth ministry, inspiring talks, testimonies and finishing with a healing service in the evening. The speakers are: Bishop John Keenan, Daniella Stephens, and John Hesketh. Further details at www.newdawninscotland.com

The Beginning Experience are holding a weekend for those who find themselves suffering from bereavement through divorce, separation, or widowhood. The weekend will take place from 30th September -2nd October at the Conforti Centre, Coatbridge. For details contact **Catherine** on **0131 665 3383** or email: beginningexperiencescotland@hotmail.com. Completed applications must be returned by 16th September.

Still time to apply for MA in Applied Catholic Theology - begins September 2022

Don't miss out on the opportunity to apply for the MA in Applied Catholic Theology! It is being offered by St Mary's University in partnership with the Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh, at the Gillis Centre in Edinburgh, beginning in September. Teaching is flexible and the programme is suitable for graduates of most academic disciplines. Find out more at www.stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh

Vacancy: Safeguarding Advisor The Archdiocese is advertising for the post of Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor. The job advert is at bit.ly/safeguardingjob

Vacancy The Bishops' Conference of Scotland's Committee for Interreligious Dialogue is seeking an Interfaith Officer. Hours are 7.5 hours (one day a week), £20,063.40 - £26,399.64 pro rata. Contact Isabel.Smyth@bcos.org.uk for more information.

Annual Caritas, Justice & Peace Mass This takes place at 7pm on **Monday 5th September** at St Columba's, Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh. The lead celebrant is Fr Tony Lappin, and there will be a homily from Fr David Stewart SJ, as well as wonderful music. Buffet served afterwards. Register at bit.ly/caritasmass or email CaritasJP@staned.org.uk.

Children's Liturgy Day Those who lead/volunteer with parish Children's Liturgy, or who want to become involved in their parish, are invited to take part in a day of training, guidance and support at the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, at 10:45am on **Saturday 10th September**. Register at bit.ly/childrensliturgyevent

My Faith & Scotland Is Scotland a tolerant country for people of faith? Take part in an in-depth conversation on the experience of Christians and Muslims, with guest speakers outlining obstacles and opportunities. This event takes place at the parish hall of St John Cantius & Nicholas, Main Street, Broxburn, on **Saturday 10th September**, from 11am to 3pm. Register at bit.ly/myfaithscotland

Margaret Sinclair The national Venerable Margaret Sinclair Pilgrimage is on **Sunday 18th September**. It starts at 2pm and concludes with Mass at 4:30pm. This will be an afternoon of quiet reflection and prayer for the beatification of Margaret Sinclair. Find out more about this holy Edinburgh woman at www.margaretsinclair.scot

Red Mass The annual Red Mass will see members of Scotland's legal fraternity come together for Mass at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at midday on **Sunday 18th September**. It will be celebrated by Archbishop Cushley.

Youth Pilgrimage The National Pilgrimage for young people aged between 16-30 takes place on Saturday **24th September** in Dunkeld, Perthshire. It includes walks to holy sites, talks and Mass. A bus will leave from the Gillis Centre, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh at 9:30am (£10). To book your place email yi@staned.org.uk.

Relics of St Bernadette The relics of St Bernadette are on tour and come to Carfin Grotto from 24 September to 1 October. The Archdiocesan Day is being held there on Thursday 29th September and it includes a Mass for schools at 1pm, celebrated by Archbishop Cushley, a torchlight procession at 8pm, and Mass at 9pm. All welcome.

40 Hours' Devotion Each parish in the Archdiocese is having 40 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament to help renew our Faith and love of Jesus Christ. This Sunday (4 September) it concludes at St Michael's, Linlithgow. The following week it's on at Sacred Heart & St Margaret's, Penicuik. See parish websites/social media for details. Find out more about Eucharistic Adoration: bit.ly/40HoursPlaylist

Season of Creation The Season of Creation has begun and runs until 4 October. This year's theme is 'Listening to the voice of creation.' Find out more at <https://seasonofcreation.org/>. Please consider reading Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si,' on caring for our common home - it is freely available online by searching 'Laudato Si.'