

ST MARGARET'S PAGE

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER - 14 May 2023- Year A



In Peter writes: This weekend is a weekend of the three sacraments of initiation into the Catholic faith. On Saturday the Parish celebrated the annual First Holy Communion Mass, and on Sunday, baptised and confirmed an adult parishioner, and confirmed one of the Confirmation cohort. Following Mass and coffee, volunteers will be running the regular Vineyard Lunch. Coming a week after two weeks after the Confirmation, and a week after the Coronation BBQ last Sunday, it has been a busy time for St Margarets Parish. This is wonderful to behold, and though it is not possible to maintain this intensity of this additional activity over a long stretch it does demonstrate that there is still life in the Catholic Church. None of these catechetical, social and outreach activities could be undertaken without a large number of volunteers, each inspired by the message of the Gospel and each responding to call of the Church to engage with her mission in St Margarets.

Every time an teenager or adult is baptised or confirmed the about-to-be baptised or confirmed professes their faith, firstly by rejecting satan and all his works, and then by professing faith in God the Father, God the Son, Jesus Christ, and God the Holy Spirit. The candidates publicly accept this statement of Catholic faith and formally recognise the change of status and outlook that Baptism and Confirmation will bring. These changes will take place within personal life; in relationships with family and friends; in understanding the culture of the time; and lastly in missionary engagement with the Church and world. Everyone and everything will now be seen in a different way, now seen with the eyes of Jesus Christ and His Church. Faith brings confidence that one is never fully alone, that Jesus accompanies us in our journey of life. He may well seem absent, but He is always there, as He promised, 'I will be with you till the end of time.' This presence is not just personal but community, and so participation in Mass, public prayer, catechesis, prayer groups all help finding where Jesus is present in our lives today.

Baptism and Confirmation bestow a character onto the recipient that makes them like Jesus Christ himself, because through the minister who was celebrating the sacrament, Christ was acting in the ritual. The water was blessed, the oils were applied and the Scripture readings appropriate to the occasion. Word and rite speak of Jesus Christ and are of Jesus Christ.

The same may be said of Baptism and Confirmation. They too are sacraments of character, of giving the recipient the ability to act as Christ (a Christian). Sacraments do give power without co-operation as they are the actions of Christ, but the power remains dormant unless appropriated through a life that develops the natural potentiality to choose the right course of action and set a path to life.

The Bishops of the Second Vatican Council presented a vision of the connection between sacraments and life as lived, 'Christ left to his followers a pledge of this hope and food for the journey in the sacrament of faith, in which natural elements, the fruits of man's cultivation, are changed into His glorified Body and Blood, as a supper of fellowship and foretaste of the heavenly banquet (Gaudium et Spes no 38). Paul VI emphasised the need to continually explain the relationship between sacraments and life. He saw sacraments without catechesis as depriving the sacraments of their effectiveness.

Providing a solid foundation for offer opportunities to explore the faith must be at the heart of Parish life; or crossing the boundary between knowing it in your head and being able to articulate in a sympathetic environment, as an essential learning tool; of sacramental courses to assist children and teenagers to become to sacramental power; to sustain the culture that gives sense to the sacraments, and become open towards the world.

May I thank all those who have sustained this enterprise over the last year. May it bear much fruit in the years ahead.

St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

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Parish Priest: Canon Peter Newby. Deacon Joseph Estorninho; Parish Administrator: Cynthia Souza; Bookkeeper: Ann Edes
Office Hours: Monday to Friday (9.30 am - 12.30 pm) Emails are not checked out of office hours.

Mass Intentions Sat 13 May – Sun 21 May

13/05	Sat	11.00 am	Children receiving their FHC and their families	
14/05	Sun	8.30 am	Matthew Green RIP	Bernard & Maz
		10.30 am	Matthew Green RIP	Kathleen & Stephen Walker
		6.30 pm	For you the people	
15/05	Mon	10.00 am	The families of St Margarets Parish	
16/05	Tue	10.00 am	Richard Watkins RIP anniversary	Margot Watkins
17/05	Wed	10.00 am	Bertie Foley RIP	O'Leary family
18/05	Thu	10.30 am	Feast of the Ascension	
		7.00 pm	Feast of the Ascension	
19/05	Fri	11.00 am	Matthew Green RIP Funeral Mass	
20/05	Sat	10.00 am	Works of charity in the neighbourhood	
21/05	Sun	8.30 am	John Thompson RIP	Bernard & Maz
		10.30 am	David McCann RIP and his family	Maggie Thomson
		6.30 pm	Tom Cotter RIP	Tricia Corbett & family

Entrance Antiphon:

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Response to the Psalm:

Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

Mass Times & Liturgical Services (15/05–21/05)

Weekend Mass	Saturday	10.00 am
	Sunday	8.30 am, 10.30 am & 6.30 pm
Weekday Mass	Mon, Tue & Wed	10.00 am
	Thursday (Feast of Ascension)	10.30 am & 7.00 pm
	Friday (Funeral Mass for Matthew Green)	11.00 am
Confessions	Saturday	10:30-11:00am
	Sunday	10.00–10.20am

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Cathy McKendry, Rose Blackman, Rachel Rose, Arthur Mathewson, Pat Friel, Mary Regan, Pauline Slawson, Ben, Carol Samba, Colin Bartram, Gerry McEntee, Rose Williams, Peter Coughlan, Hilary Sudell, Rose Lorden, William Hamilton, Mary Arnold, Cesar Juan Urrutigoity, Mary Ethel Arnolda, Sydney Parkes, Christopher Browne, Antonella Sesta, Margaret Masterson, Carmen Ruibal, Chris McLoughlin (son of Olga), Judith Thomas, Tony Tucker, Dr Christopher Khoo, John Wood-Collins, Eleanor Drew, Jim Polland, Theresa Bulpitt & Sue Rolph.

Anniversaries - Anne Garcia, Nell Walsh, Desmond Child, Chris Anderson, Rosemary Aldrich, Ray Back, Robert James Christie Prendergrast, Christine Berti, Evelyn Mitchell, Roland Bryant, Fridolin Straub, Johanna McCullogh.

Recently deceased - Matthew Green, son of Jimmy Green, died at St George's Hospital on 5th April after a long illness. Funeral to take place at St Margarets on Friday 19th May at 11.00 am.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

From 13th May, there will be no Saturday evening Mass taking place, till the end of the year.

Sacramental Programmes

Sacramental preparations are open for parishioners and those who attend Mass regularly at St Margaret's.

Baptism

Should you wish to have your child baptised in this parish, attendance at our Pre Baptism course is compulsory. Please either speak to Fr Peter after Mass or contact the parish office. Dates for future courses—May 3rd & 10th (lapsed), July 11th & 18th, Sep 5th & 12th and November 7th & 14th.

Visits to the sick and housebound

If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact Deacon Joseph via the parish office.



6th SUNDAY OF EASTER - 14 MAY 2023

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Psalm 65

1 Peter 3:15-18

John 14:15-21

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - 21 MAY 2023

Acts 1:1-11

Psalm 46

Ephesians 1:17-23

Matthew 28:16-20

Dates for your diary

⇒ Saturday 17th June, Parish Quiz Night.



THIS EASTERTIDE ACROSS SOUTHWARK LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS 2023

Explore what it means to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Weekly talks and discussion - Daily reflections - All day retreat

When: Tuesday evenings starting with a meal from 7.00 pm till 9.30 pm on the 2nd, 9th, 16th May & 6th June 2023 and Saturday 27th May 11 am—5.00 pm

Venue : St Margaret's Parish hall, 130 St Margarets TW1 1RL

Contact: 07717 473 160 for any queries.

LEAFLETS AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.



3rd Saturday of every month

Bereavement café

2.30 - 4.00 pm on the
3rd Saturday of every month.



Save the dates

**20 May, 17 June, 15 July, 19 August, 16 September,
21 October, 18 November & 16 December**

2.30—4.00 pm at St Margarets Church Hall, 130 St Margarets Road, Twickenham TW1 1RL

Everyone experiences grief in a unique way.

The Bereavement Café is a place to meet others who have had similar experiences to your own.

It is somewhere you can speak freely and share stories with others coping with losing a loved one. Want to join.. Call this number for any enquiries 07547 976 953

Save the date

Enjoy warmth and good company here at St Margaret's at our much loved "Tea & Chat" every alternate Wed from 1:45 pm – 3:15 pm



Dates for your diary

May - 24th

June - 7th & 21st

All are welcome.

Please feel free to bring along a friend or a neighbour.

REPAIR CAFE

Twickenham Repair Café

Twickenham Repair Cafe - Save the date

**20 May, 17 June, 15 July, 19 August, 16 September,
21 October, 18 November & 16 December**

From 10:30 to 13:00.

St Margarets Church Hall (opposite St Margarets train station)

130 St Margarets Road, St Margarets, Twickenham. TW1 1RL. Want to know more then give us a shout: info@twickenhamrepaircafe.org

Have a look at our site:

www.twickenhamrepaircafe.org.



Did you know that Church teaching says that we should not only support those in poverty but also tackle the

root causes of poverty? Pope Benedict XVI said that "Love — caritas — is an extraordinary force which leads people to opt for courageous and generous engagement in the field of justice and peace." For decades CAFOD has spoken out against injustice. To find out more and get involved in tackling the root causes of poverty, please go to cafod.org.uk/latestcampaigns

CAFOD Just one world

Tony Sheen

Community Participation Co-ordinator -CAFOD


**HIS MAJESTY KING CHARLES III Coronation
barbeque celebration with live music**

Thank you to all those who turned up for the barbeque celebration on Sunday 7th May. The event was well attended and enjoyed by all. We had a great band Duo from Sav Fernandes, and the cherry on the cake was the great sunshine that could not be missed.

Thank you to all those who helped in making this day a great success. Some pictures of the day are as below.



Murder in the Cathedral by T S Eliot
is to be performed by the Richmond Shakespeare Society
in St Mary's Church, Twickenham
on Thursday 1 to Saturday 3 June 2023 at
7:45 pm
Tickets £17 or £14 for RSS members can be booked online
at www.richmondshakespeare.org.uk

*Congratulations to all our First Holy
Communion children who received the
Sacrament on Saturday 13th May.*

*May you always know the peace of
Jesus, the light of his love, and the joy
of his life within you.*

- Amy Leopold**
- Anais Morris**
- Cara Marie Chadwick**
- Cecily Goatley**
- Chloe Gilpin**
- Ciaran Smith**
- Dearbhla O'Leary**
- Elena Martinez**
- Emily Bisset**
- Ethan Bisset**
- Finn Seamus O'Rourke**
- Isabel Louise Karbownik**
- Joseph Edward Barrett**
- Joshua James Bishop**
- Kai Lydon**
- Lucas Francisco Mills**
- Patrick Smith**
- Posy Llewellyn**
- Santiago Rengifo**
- Sofia de Oliveira Horseman**
- Theo Horellou Vera**
- Wiktor Tomaszewicz**

*Many thanks to our Catechists,
Lisa McDermott & Harry Mars-
ton for leading the course.*

