

ST MARGARET'S PAGE



6th SUNDAY OF EASTER - 22 MAY 2022 - Year C

In Peter writes: Last week I took part in the Cathedrals' Group of Universities annual conference of VCs and Chaplains. The meeting took place in Canterbury and concluded with a concert in the Cathedral with the different choirs and a mass chorus for parts of Monteverdi's Vespers. A highlight to what was a bit dull! I am finished Covid moaning and excuses hiding basic indolence and shrinking numbers of students. The last is certainly true, whether Covid has much to do with the matter I somewhat doubt.

Over the few days the organisers had arranged for a visit to the ruins of St Augustine's Abbey, the location for the first official Christian mission to England established by Pope St Gregory the Great in 597. St Augustine was a reluctant missionary. He had heard that the inhabitants of this island were frightening, unprepared to receive the message of Christ, so not so dissimilar to now! The Pope reassured him, reminding him of God's work, and that the Queen of the King of Kent, Queen Bertha was a catholic with her own retinue of priests and religious. St Augustine landed at Ramsgate, established his monastery at Canterbury and finally died there of old age. His fears proved unfounded.

St Augustine was not the first Christian missionary to England, prior to the departure of the last roman soldiers in 410 the faith was already known, and small centres established normally in garrison towns. The scattered presence of Christians was noted in the Acts of Apostles, though no reason is given why they should already exist. St Paul is told there are many people for you in this city, those waiting to hear the Gospel message.

Perhaps 1600 years after St Augustine's landing in Great Britain, the religious situation has returned to what it was then, scattered groups and individuals living a Christian life undercover as it were, unconnected to any ecclesial community. What attracted these earliest Christians was the message of salvation that brought a social transformation in its wake, and not the other way around. Those who accept the social mission of the Church should be placed first end up trying to defend the church on secular grounds of promoting the good of society. Yet to let oneself be judged by the mores of contemporary society, is to let every passing fashion judge the mission of the church. Secular antagonists will always find fault within anything the Church undertakes, thus leaving the church

Mass Times & Liturgical Services

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| Weekend | Saturday Sunday | 10.00 am 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 6.30 pm |
| Weekdays | Mon, Tue, Wed (Funeral) & Thur | 10.00 am |
| Eucharistic Service | Friday | 10.00 am |
| Rosary | Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat | 9.30 am |
| Confessions | Saturday | 10:30-11:00am |
| | Sunday | 10.00 – 10.20 am |

to forever apologise for past wrongs. In the recent past it was fashionable to remove the word catholic or the title saint from catholic charities to make them more acceptable to the contemporary world but cutting them off from their spiritual source and their financial anchor. It is too easy now to think of the church's social mission as becoming an integral part of secular governmental or council provision rather than a mission towards a higher goal.

The Gospel message does entail a vision of society that is not yet established, so the church has a pastoral mission that is people focused and undertaken in the light of the Gospel. Underpinning is the belief that each person is worthy of hearing the message of the Gospel of participation in the rites of the church. No-one should be forced to believe to receive the church's charity but nor is there any need to hide the teaching of the church either.

Returning to that original mission of St Augustine, a Christian culture developed around his Canterbury monastery that included outreach into the community, but it was undertaken by those fully formed in the rites, teaching, and culture of the monastery. These were small beginnings, but it led to the gradual conversion of the kingdom of Kent and elsewhere in England. Similar histories are true for Wales and Scotland as well.

I see the mission of this Parish in much the same way. The liturgical and spiritual heart of St Margarets generates a Christian culture that will be the best platform for the wider mission to the wider neighbourhood and beyond. Sunday is the beginning of the week that sets the mission for the rest of the week.

St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday to Friday (9.30 am - 12.30 pm) Emails are not checked out of office hours.

Mass Intentions Sat 21/5 – Sun 29/5

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| 21/5 | Sat | 10.00 am | Missionary spirit of the Parish and the Church | |
| | | 6.30 pm | The families of St Margarets Parish | |
| 22/5 | Sun | 8.30 am | Mary Heffernan RIP | Peter & Su Slattery |
| | | 10.30 am | For you the people | |
| | | 6.30 pm | Works of charity in the neighbourhood | |
| 23/5 | Mon | 10.00 am | James Green RIP | Jimmy Green |
| 24/5 | Tues | 10.00 am | Special Intention - Maria Sharratt | |
| 25/5 | Wed | 10.45 am | Funeral for Cathy Bannister RIP | |
| 26/5 | Thu | 10.00 am | Ann MacPherson RIP | Maz & Bernard Winter |
| Feast of Ascension | | | | |
| 27/5 | Fri | 10.00 am | Eucharistic Service | |
| 28/5 | Sat | 10.00 am | Deceased members of St Margarets Parish | |
| | | 6.30 pm | No Mass | |
| 29/5 | Sun | 8.30 am | Christopher Bermingham RIP | Shirley Doyle |
| | | 10.30 am | Mary Heffernan RIP | Rita Johnston |
| | | 6.30 pm | Anita Pacitto RIP anniversary | Margo Watkins |

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Cathy McKendry, Olga Romero, Sue Rolph, Rose Blackman, Stanislaw Wozniak, Rachel Rose, Fr Paul Bigirwa, 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, Ann Macpherson, Chris McLoughlin (son of Olga), Judith Thomas & Allan de Souza

Recently deceased - Christopher Cousins RIP, Adriana Posse de González RIP (Valeria's Mum), Margaret O'Shea RIP, Christopher Bermingham RIP, Cathy Bannister RIP & Ann McPherson RIP

Anniversaries - Roland Bryant, Fridolin Straub, Johanna McCulloch, Dorothy Smithers, Stella Richards, Johanna Morgan, Timothy Murphy, Bridget McHugh, Doris Dommersen, Stephen Rendall, Gladys Bearman, Bill Richards, Brian O'Reilly, Sally O'Shaughnessy

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

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: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Holy Hour

Holy hour will resume on Friday evenings at 8:00 pm. Please do come and join us before the blessed sacrament as we pray for our parish: that we may grow as a community in Christ.



Funeral for

Cathy Bannister RIP

will take place on

Wednesday 25th May, 10.45 am

at St Margaret's and thereafter for a family committal at 12.00 noon at Mortlake Crematorium.

The family thanks everyone in the parish for their prayers and would like to welcome all to join them to celebrate Cathy's life and her last journey.

Funeral for

Ann McPherson RIP

will take place on

Tuesday 31st May 2022 at 1.00 pm at St Margaret's.

The family thanks everyone in the parish for their prayers, support and kindness at this time and welcomes all to join them for refreshments after Mass in the Church hall.

Donations if desired in Ann's memory can be made to Princess Alice Hos-

pice via [https://](https://annmacpherson.muchloved.com)

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6th SUNDAY OF EASTER - 22 MAY 2022

Acts 15:1-2. 22-29

Psalm 66

Apocalypse 21:10-14. 22-23

John 14:23-29

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER - 29 MAY 2022

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 96

Apocalypse 22:12-14. 16-17. 20

John 17:20-26

Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations



Baker / Chef needed

We will be having a celebration to mark Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee.



There will be a votive Mass at St Margaret's on Sunday 5th June 2022 at 10.30 am which will be followed by Champagne and Platinum Jubilee dessert in the garden.

The proposed dessert is quite difficult to make according to the newspapers. Might there be some adventurous Chef who might be able to make a bowl of the dessert to share amongst the parishioners after the 10.30 am Mass?

There will also be a barbeque for those families who wish to stay for something more substantial and carry on the celebrations. Please would you book with the parish office so that we can ascertain the numbers participating.



Champagne and dessert is for everyone, no need to book this.

VOLUNTEER



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While waiting for Pentecost, we would like to invite you and your dear parishioners to participate in the 12th NATIONAL DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM 'The Merciful Lifestyle' organised by Divine Mercy Apostolate - Marian Fathers with the Main celebrant Rev Bishop David James Oakley, Diocese of Northampton.

The pilgrimage will take place on **Saturday 4th JUNE 2022**. We will depart from Slough, Ealing Broadway and Westminster Cathedral by coach.

Coach from Westminster Cathedral - Departure at 7:00 am
Please call: **Emmanuel 07721362000** or **Caroline 07960466377**

Coach from Ealing Broadway - Departure at 7:15 am
Please call: **Apostolate 020 8998 0925**

Coaches from Slough: Millie T: 07957594646

For more information, poster left in the porch and contact the Divine Mercy Apostolate
(020 8998 0925, info@divinemercy.org.uk).

ST MARGARET'S FAIR

2nd July 2022

The church has booked a stall at the above event which is held on Moormead near the church. We will be selling religious items and books as well as some bric-a-brac. All proceeds will be donated to the Church Building Fund.

We are asking parishioners to donate items for sale, so please look for that item you no longer need or books that you have already read.

We are also looking for volunteers to set up and take down the stall and help on the stall during the day. (No clothes, knives or bulky items).

If you would like to have more information on the same or have any queries, kindly contact the parish office or Jimmy Green on 0208 977 6511.



PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Diocese of Westminster

The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend, 29th May. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 58 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 17 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese.

Last year four men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation envelopes are available in the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation.

Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations.

Thank you for your generosity.



Saint Anthony Communications

CONFERENCE 2022

St Mary's, West Croydon Saturday 4th June 9:45am - 5:00pm

FEATURING GUEST SPEAKERS...



Fr Marcus Holden
Episcopal Vicar for Evangelisation and
Catechesis, Archdiocese of Southwark



Dr Ralph Martin
Professor of Theology at Sacred Heart Major
Seminary in the Archdiocese of Seattle, USA



Fr Andrew Pinsent
Research Director of the Ian Ramsey Centre
for Science and Religion, Oxford University

Talk 1 – "Living as Catholics in Challenging Times" Dr Ralph Martin

Talk 2 – "The Life of Grace" Fr Andrew Pinsent

Talk 3 – "Why are We Alive Today?" Dr Ralph Martin

Talk 4 – "Anchoring the Church: The Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady" Fr Marcus Holden

Talk 5 – "Does Evangelisation Really Matter?" Dr Ralph Martin

CONFERENCE COST £22

(Price includes tea and coffee throughout the day)

To book, call 01834 812643 or online www.saintant.com

(Pre-booking only – no tickets available on the day)

Please bring a packed lunch, or visit one of the cafes or stores nearby. Parking is available (there's a £2 voluntary donation for the Society of St Vincent de Paul) and the train station is just a 5 minute walk from the centre.

Venue details:

St Mary's Parish Centre, 70 Wellesley Road, West Croydon, CR0 2AR

Annual Mass and Pro- cession in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes



The Sons of Divine Providence

The Sons of Divine Providence are holding their annual procession in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes on **Sunday 29th May 2022 at 5.00 pm** in the ground of the Sons of Divine Providence at 25 Lower Teddington Road in Hampton Wick. After the procession through the local streets there will be Mass in the beautiful Gardens followed by refreshments. The site is a three minute walk from Hampton Wick station and parking spaces are available in the local streets.



Healing Mass—Saturday 11th June 2022, 2.00 pm—4.00 pm

- * Mass * Adoration * Prayers * Intercessions * Benediction
- * Anointing of the Sick

For further details, call Fr John C. Perrotta FDP on 07921 125 283

"St Anthony Communications Conference 2022. With guest speakers Dr Ralph Martin, Fr Marcus Holden, and Fr Andrew Pinsent. Saturday 4th June, St Mary's West Croydon. Cost £22. To book a place or for more information call 01834 812643 or online at www.saintant.com"

We will be having two Catholic History Walks along the Thames, starting from St Margaret's Church:

Saturday June 18th, meet 3pm outside St Margaret's Church

Wednesday June 22nd, meet 6pm outside St Margaret's Church

We will walk along the Twickenham bank of the river, and discover the stories of exiled French royalty, Alexander Pope, St John Henry Newman, and more. The Walk will take about an hour and a half - of course you can leave any time. Suggested donation £5.00p



To find out more on the Teacher vacancies, please go to <https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/our-college/vacancies>



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Saturday 4th June 2022

11:00am – 4:30pm

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Down Regent Street, Turn right into Regent Place

Programme

Holy Rosary

Latin Mass in the Extraordinary Form

(Celebrant Priest: Father Mark Elliott Smith)

Lunch Break (Please bring your own lunch, Tea & Coffee available)

Talk Based on Scripture: 'How to Rest in God'

Catholic Christian Meditation

Blessed Adoration

Individual Healing Prayers

4.30 pm - Retreat Ends

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