

# ST MARGARET'S PAGE



30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 23 OCTOBER 2022 - Year C

*In Peter writes:* 'I don't like the hymns chosen for Mass' is an accusation that every priest has heard at least once a month in their Parish. Its good to know that someone is interested enough to complain! Though not every parishioner sings at Mass, music and song do touch the soul. Handel's Messiah or Bach's Passion of St Matthew both reflect the religious realities celebrated and shaped our understanding of those moments in the Church's year. It is almost as if I hear both Handel's music when listening to the Prophet Isaiah or Bach's violin listening to the account of Jesus walking to the Garden of Gethsemane. These great works of art have moved beyond personal taste and into the universal patrimony of humanity. Christian and non-Christian alike can share their beauty.

Most music does not of course reach such heights but may still form an identifiable cultural tradition. Such would be the great body of hymns created in this country. The hymns of John Wesley, John Henry Newman and other 19<sup>th</sup> century composers have created an art-form that unites the content of our faith with memorable tunes. Singing hymns embeds deep into the heart the teaching of the Church, in much the same way as pop lyrics become fixed in the brain. Creating an 'earworm' is the holy grail of the pop world. Great hymns become religious ear worms!

In recent years 'Faith and Worship' music has expanded out from its evangelical origins into the wider catholic world, itself creating another tradition of church music which derives from the world of popular singing, the guitar tradition of troubadours, folk musicians, blues and rock. This tradition of music and song is relatively young in comparison to the tradition of hymns requiring the playing of the organ. The two traditions can sit side by side, each offers its own insight into the Liturgy of the Mass unfolding celebrated every Sunday.

Tradition is key to appreciating the role of church music because tradition is the ways of doing something shared with others, that possesses its own history and contains within it the seeds of its own future development. Personal taste is perfectly acceptable in the private sphere but when it becomes public policy, it places the individual at the centre and relegates everyone else, the parish included, to an ancillary role. So personal taste cannot

Mass Times & Liturgical Services		
Weekend	Saturday Sunday	10.00 am 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 6.30pm
Weekdays	Mon, Tue, Wed & Friday	10.00 am
Eucharistic Service	Thurs	10.00 am
Rosary	Monday to Saturday	9.30 am
Confessions	Saturday Sunday	10:30-11:00am 10.00 – 10.20 am

become the organisational principle for any shared enterprise, nor can it become the principle for choosing music at any Parish Mass.

The Mass is a gift given to us by Jesus to make possible our sharing in His death and Resurrection. This is why Jesus desires to share the Passover with us. When He sat down to celebrate what was later called the Last Supper, Jesus ensured that the Cross would be seen as His sacrifice; the perfect form of worship; His body broken and His blood shed. Later, on that first Easter Sunday evening, when He met the two disciples on the road to Emmaus their eyes would be opened to the Resurrection. After Pentecost there was one way to see Jesus alive and that was in the Eucharist.

Pope Francis has recently released a document on the Mass, 'I deeply desire', (*Desiderio desideravi*), quoting the words of Jesus found in St Luke's Gospel. This document explains the fruits of the Church's understanding of the Mass, as the gift to which all are called to share. This gift only becomes known when we meet Christ in the Liturgy through our shared act of worship. Pope Francis is forever warning against spiritual worldliness, that is either expressed as 'my way or no way', or the sense that living the faith is my own effort alone. The Liturgy is a gift to be shared by all.

Being shared by all requires the symbolic language of words and rituals that is the living tradition of the Church. This requires an introduction to the symbolism that marks our sacramental life, whether young or old. It is teaching children to make the sign of the Cross, genuflecting in front of the tabernacle, the prayers of Mass, singing the parts of Mass and hymns when chosen, following the rhythm of movements, standing, sitting, kneeling. All this is our contribution to the art of celebrating Mass that responds to the gift of the Mass, the privileged place to meet Jesus Christ.

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 22 Oct – Sun 30 Oct

22/10	Sat	10.00 am	Work of missionaries throughout the world	
23/10	Sun	8.30 am	For you the people	
		10.30 am	Raymond Toal RIP	Kathleen Walker
		6.30 pm	Carmel Kirwan RIP	Liam & Gretta Gallagher
24/10	Mon	10.00 am	David Jones RIP	Davis family
25/10	Tues	10.00 am	Deceased members of St Margarets Parish	
26/10	Wed	10.00 am	Missionary spirit of the Parish and the Church	
27/10	Thu	10.00 am	Eucharistic Service	
28/10	Fri	10.00 am	The families of St Margarets Parish	
29/10	Sat	10.00 am	Matt Cornelia RIP	Ann Edes
30/10	Sun	8.30 am	For you the people	
		10.30 am	Anthony Cunningham RIP	John Cunningham
		6.30 pm	John & Rita Ban-Lavery and Lynda Ban-Lavery	Gerard Ban-Lavery

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Cathy McKendry, Olga Romero, Sue Rolph, 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, Allan de Souza, Tony Tucker, Dr Christopher Khoo, John Wood-Collins & Eleanor Drew.

**Anniversaries** - Annie Elizabeth Peel, Leonard Collins, Cecilia Sykes

**Recently deceased** - Ann Ratcliffe RIP (Cousin of Olga McLoughlin)

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

## Entrance Antiphon:

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;  
turn to the Lord and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.

## Response to the Psalm:

This poor man called; the Lord heard him.

## HOLY HOUR



'Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God'. (Phil 4:6)

From Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, we will be resuming our Holy Hour at 8:00 pm ending with Benediction. Please come and join us in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

## Sacramental Programmes

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

### Baptism

Our November course dates - 18th & 25th November 2022.



### First Holy Communion 2023

If you would like your child to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion, please speak to Fr Peter after any Mass that you attend. The closing date for applications is 16th October 2022.



### Confirmation 2023

Applications are now open for the Confirmation 2023 course. Kindly speak to Fr Peter or Deacon Joseph after any weekend Mass that you attend.



### Marriage Preparation course

St Margaret's will hold a course in the first half of 2023. The London Oratory will have their marriage preparation day on

**Saturday 5th November.**

For further information on courses at The Brompton Oratory kindly contact Fr Michael Lang (michaellang@rcdow.org.uk)



## St Margaret's Forthcoming events



**Monday, 7th November** - New parishioners evening taking place on Zoom at 8.00 pm. Invitations will be sent out shortly and the joining details will be emailed to you nearing the event. Please contact the Parish Office via email if you are interested.



**Sunday, 13th November at 2.00 pm**  
Blessing of the graves Twickenham cemetery, Hospital Bridge Rd, Twickenham TW2 6LD



**Sunday, 20th November 10.30 am Mass**  
**Feast day of St Margaret's**  
There will be a shared lunch in the hall after Mass. All are welcome.

### Mass Count



Every year, across the country, Catholic Churches record a "Mass count" which counts the number of people attending Mass on Sunday, over 4 consecutive weekends.

Average numbers for St Margaret's this year were

	Under 18s	Adult	Total
<b>8:30 AM</b>	11	55	66
<b>10:30 AM</b>	56	99	155
<b>6:30 PM</b>	27	59	86
<b>Total</b>	94	213	307

*A very Happy Birthday to*  
**Rose Blackman**

*Who will be turning* **80**  
*on* **31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.**



*A Parishioner at St Margarets*  
*for over 50 years.*



*Fr Peter, along with the parishioners at St Margarets wish her good health & happiness always.*

### Half term Art session

**Friday 28th October between**  
**2.30 - 5.00 pm**



In honour of All Saints, Isabel our teacher from St Elizabeth's Parish will lead an art session at St Margarets, with any children interested. Come join us and enjoy the session. Refreshments will be served at 5.00 pm. For further information, contact Melanie on 07831 871 923.

### Coffee & Croissants

*Sunday November 6th*  
*Do stay to join us after*  
*8:30 am Mass*



### Advent wreath making evening

in the Church hall

**Saturday 26th November,**  
**8pm till 10pm**  
**£22 pp to cover the cost of**  
**materials.**



We will be making a traditional wreath in oasis with foliage, berries, candles etc.

All materials will be provided along with a glass of mulled wine and mince pie.

Places need to be booked and paid in advance to ensure we can provide all the materials.

This is not a tutorial it is just a nice get together to celebrate the start of Advent.

Limited spaces available. Please contact the office if you wish to book and arrange payment.

## The Mulberry Centre

The Mulberry Centre is a cancer information and support centre based at the West Middlesex hospital. We are welcoming them to have an information stall in the hall on Sunday 6th November, after both the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses to share information about the free services they provide and how they can support cancer sufferers and their families. Please drop by to chat with them.



### Who we are and what we do

The Mulberry Centre is a cancer information and support centre with a welcoming and non-clinical environment based within the grounds of West Middlesex Hospital in Isleworth. We are a registered charity and the majority of our funding comes from charitable donations.



We deliver a range of information and support services to anyone affected by a diagnosis of cancer whether the person with the diagnosis, their main carer/supporter or those bereaved by cancer. We provide support to all people affected by a diagnosis of cancer, regardless of postcode or hospital of diagnosis. We are committed to providing individual, tailor-made support, enabling people to seek emotional and practical help in the way that works best for them. We offer in the moment emotional support, counselling, a number of support groups, as well as complementary therapies, workshops on relevant subjects, social activities and wellbeing classes.




**All of our services are free, and with us can access them regardless of where they live or are being treated.**

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### Cancer Support Services

Face-to-face and remote services offered free of charge

<h4>One-to-One Support</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Counselling and Coaching</li> <li>Emotional Support</li> <li>Legal Advice</li> <li>Soul Midwife Support</li> <li>Welfare and Benefits Advice</li> <li>Befriending Service</li> </ul>	<h4>Workshops</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Headscarf Tying Workshop</li> <li>How People Grieve</li> <li>Managing Stress</li> <li>Nutrition and Cancer</li> <li>Online Relaxation and Breathwork</li> <li>Soft Tissue Release After Surgery</li> <li>...and many more!</li> </ul>
<h4>Support Groups</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bereavement Support Group</li> <li>Carer's Support Group</li> <li>Men's Support Group</li> <li>Patient Support Group</li> </ul>	<h4>Wellbeing Classes</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Art Classes</li> <li>Book Group</li> <li>Creative Writing</li> <li>Emotional Freedom Technique</li> <li>Health Walks</li> <li>Men's Yoga for Prostate Health</li> <li>Pilates</li> <li>Relaxation Techniques</li> <li>Seated Yoga</li> <li>Tai Chi</li> <li>Yin Yoga</li> </ul>
<h4>Complementary Therapies</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acupuncture</li> <li>Aroma Sticks</li> <li>Aromatherapy</li> <li>Massage</li> <li>Reflexology</li> <li>Reiki</li> <li>Shiatsu</li> </ul>	

For more information, the timetable, and to register, please visit our website.

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### SAVE THE DATE

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 8:15 – 10:00AM**

Rev Derek Winterburn (Anglican Lead for Care for Creation in this part of London) will be the speaker and you can also enjoy a delicious hot breakfast



### Autumn Craft Fair

At St Richard Reynolds Catholic College, Twickenham

November 5th 2022 2.30 pm—5.30 pm

For more information - 07725 607 478

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS:




Mary's Meals would like to thank everyone in the parish for their wonderful generosity.

We spoke at the end of each Mass last weekend and were delighted with the donations we were given – £183.60.

As a result 11 children will be fed one good meal every day in their place of education for a whole school year.

Please continue to pray for our work and if interested in volunteering (e.g we always need people to speak at the end of Mass) then email [gerrard.mcmahon@marysmeals.org](mailto:gerrard.mcmahon@marysmeals.org)

God bless you all.  
Thank you for all your support,  
Gerrard