

ST MARGARET'S PAGE



13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 26 JUNE 2022 - Year C

In Peter writes: If there is one area that causes difficulties to Catholics and non-Catholics alike, it is issues to do with abortion, or as it is described in the secular world, 'termination'. The Centre for which I am a Trustee, has been attacked both by pro-life groups and by pro-choice activists. Mystery shoppers (i.e. trainee journalists) are sent to quiz the therapy manager about their preconceived prejudices. Questions asked are, 'do you have a plastic model of a foetus you show to clients?'. The answer is no. Again, from the other perspective, 'do you tell them about the evils of abortion?' The answer is no – not because the answer is in doubt – it is always wrong, but because more often than not the individual concerned is not in the place to hear that message put that way.

A number of the individuals attending have been recommended by their GPs who do not have the time for extended weekly conversations, others come with issues to do with the inability to bond with their baby, fear of pregnancy, unexpected pregnancy, problems of infertility and much more. Often, they are multiple issues that derive from their upbringing, their tragic experiences and fragmented lifestyles. Pope Francis said on another moral issue, 'who am I to judge'. His judgement was neither negative, being judgmental, nor affirmative, as if he would validate anything. In secular therapeutic circles this approach would be described as 'client-centred', with which no Christian could disagree, but the 'client-centred' approach alone, leaves out the richness of being a son and daughter of God, loved and willed into existence by God and sustained throughout life by God. To accept God as your ultimate creator, your parents as your procreators, creating life on behalf of a higher power, opens a richer vista onto reality. Life contains within itself its own meaning but one connected to that of God as creator of all that exists. The secular vision tries to find meaning within life itself, but cut off from the source of life, the secular meaning of life becomes little more than social convention or historical memory.

This vista onto the deeper meaning of being human, of being loved, of being sustained by others, and in turn of being able to love and to sustain others, stretches throughout life. Thus, making it possible to receive redemption, release from the burdens and experiences of the past, and justification, the ability to remake something purposeful of your life, all from a

Mass Times & Liturgical Services		
Weekend	Saturday Sunday	11.00 am (FHC) 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 6.30 pm
Weekdays	Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri	10.00 am
Eucharistic Service	Thursday	10.00 am
Rosary	Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat	9.30 am
Confessions	Saturday Sunday	10:30-11:00am 10.00 – 10.20 am

higher power. Judging by the letters, notes and emails received by the Centre from former clients, this experience of redemption and justification is central to healing and is the cause for hope. Though questions of religious faith do not come into counselling, unless brought up by the client, the dynamic of faith illuminates why such a process can be successful.

What the approach has identified more generally, at least to me, is how secular culture short changes the individual because it cuts away at what makes us fully human, the glory of life. The glory of life is not the stubborn demand to recognise my rights, or to do as I please, or impose my views on others, but the knowledge of being created. When I recognise my life as created, it automatically makes me see life as project in solidarity with others, one's family, one's community, and the for the Christian, one's church. To see life as created is to ask why is my life as it is, and asking why brings with questions of responsibility, freedom, guilt and sin. This an ever-intensifying journey into the soul.

The opposite, the secular approach, is to either rely on blind duty, or more likely to find someone else to blame for my misfortune. Someone may well be the cause of our misfortune and our suffering, but they cannot touch that deepest part of each of us, our soul, even when they claim to be able. The independence of the secular world is only relative. When it claims autonomy, it severs its roots in the created world, God's world. To the Christian God's world is Christ's world, where forgiveness and redemption are revealed as integral parts of creation. The centre works in the secular world but like every authentic act of charity undertaken for its own sake, client centred, possesses an implicit direction towards God as Creator and Redeemer.

St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

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Mass Intentions Sat 25 June – Sun 03 July

25/6	Sat	10.00 am	Missionary spirit of the Parish and the Church	
		6.30 pm	The families of St Margarets Parish	
26/6	Sun	8.30 am	For you the people	
		10.30 am	Carmen Bourne & Aldo Bianchin RIP Anniversary	Lily McCaw
		6.30 pm	John & Rita Lavery and Lynda Ban-Lavery	Gerard Ban-Lavery
27/6	Mon	10.00 am	Deceased members of St Margarets Parish	
28/6	Tues	10.00 am	The families of St Margarets Parish	
29/6	Wed	Feast of Saints Peter and Paul		
		10.00 am	Missionary spirit of the Parish and the Church	
		1.05 pm	Mass at St Mary's University	
30/6	Thu	10.00 am	Eucharistic Service	
01/7	Fri	10.00 am	Hadi Abi Karam RIP	Mary Martin
02/7	Sat	11.00 am	First Holy Communion children and their families	
03/7	Sun	8.30 am	For you the people	
		10.30 am	Margaret O'Shea RIP	Mary Martin
		6.30 pm	Anne Garcia RIP	Barbara de Souza

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, Chris McLoughlin (son of Olga), Judith Thomas, Allan de Souza & Tony Tucker

Anniversaries - Beatrice Gavican, Alphonsus Pinto, Tadeusz Wozniak, Alistair Frazer, Kieran Brady, John Ashton, Bee Gould, Jeff Lawlor, David Ryan, Frederick Balmer, Joe Foley, Ralph Thoms, Sheila Walsh, John McCullogh, Ida Kosciesza

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

Entrance Antiphon:

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

Response to the Psalm: O Lord, it is you who are my portion.

Holy Hour

Please note that there will be no Holy Hour during the months of July and August. We will resume our Friday night Holy Hour in September.



A Day in Lourdes Visit of the Relics of St Bernadette

St Mary's University is pleased to announce that the Relics of St Bernadette will be coming to the University Chapel on 6th September 2022.

Schedule for the tour

- **2.30 pm** - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and blessing of the sick
- **6 pm** - Sung Mass with choir: Rt Rev bishop Richard Moth. Guest Preacher: Toby Lees OP
- **8.30 pm** - Torchlight procession around the University with Rosary

If you wish to attend any of these events, please let the parish office know so that seats can be reserved for you. A group will be going from St Margaret's to the afternoon blessed sacrament procession and blessing of the sick.

It will be a marvelous event bringing loads to Twickenham for a day, so please join us, register your interest and book the date for your diary.



13th SUNDAY IN OT - 26 JUNE 2022

1 Kings 19:16. 19-21

Psalm 15

Galatians 5:1. 13-18

Luke 9:51-62

14th SUNDAY IN OT - 3 JULY 2022

Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalm 65

Galatians 6:14-18

Luke 10:1-12. 17-20

Parish Summer BBQ

Sunday July 24th
12.30 pm till 4 .00 pm



All welcome; BBQ at 12:30 -- come and spend the afternoon in the garden.

Tickets on sale from next week, after Mass or through the parish office. No ticket sales on the day.

Adults - £5 each
Family ticket (2+2) £15

Bring salads and desserts to share.

St Margarets Fair

ST MARGARET'S FAIR 2nd July 2022

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

We thank those who have already volunteered to help on the stall but we still need more volunteers, particularly later in the day and setting up at 10.00 am and taking down at 18.30 pm. We also need to transport some tables from the church to the fair and return afterwards which will need an estate car or van. We would be most grateful to anyone who could help.

Please contact the parish office or Jimmy Green on 0208 977 6511.



SAVE THE DATE

Men's Breakfast Saturday 1st October

We have a cracking subject for you with a very enlightening speaker, so put it in your calendar now!



Come and join us for Our much loved
"Tea & Chat"

every alternate
Wednesday from 2.00
pm - 3.30 pm

Next date for your diary
June - 29th



All are welcome.

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

**Congratulations to our
100 Club Winners**

Winners for the month of June 2022

1st Prize No. 37 Catherine Wigington £100/-

2nd Prize No 39 Mary Hegarty £50/-

(Numbers are generated by a random number generating website)

Richmond Sunday lunch scheme

Our parish will continue to host occasional Sunday lunches for people who may be in need of a healthy home cooked meal and some company.



Can you spare some time to help us make this happen? We are on a rota with other Richmond churches, and aim to cater for 20 - 25 guests each time.

Sunday lunch dates: lunch served from 1230 (after 1030 mass/ morning coffee)

2022

- 17th July
 - 9th October
- 11th September

2023

-19th February 2023

Thank you to those of you who have already volunteered your time and amazing cooking and/or washing up skills, or offered to help provide our guests with a warm welcome on the day. We still have some free slots for the next few months and have added a new date in 2023. Jobs include:

- Welcome and chat
- Making a veg soup
- Cooking a main meal for 6-8 people (eg shepherds pie, pasta bake, lasagne (meat plus veg option))
- Making a desert
- Clearing and washing up

Food may be prepared off site and guidance will be given as needed. Please join our easy signup sheet online volunteersignup.org/PPBQT for any of the dates, or feel free to call me and I will add you to our group of amazing volunteers.

Thank you in advance for continuing to help make this happen.

Cath Brizzell (on behalf of Fr Peter & The Parish Pastoral Council)

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A Day With Mary

At St Vincent de Paul, Witham Road, Osterley

Saturday 2nd July 2022



A day of instruction, devotion and intercession based on the message given at Fatima in 1917.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 – LOOKING TO LISBON



World Youth Day 2023 will take place in Lisbon in the beginning of August 2023. Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry with support from Cardinal's Appeal is offering a limited number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16 year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage.

These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day.

More details can be found at

<https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/>

or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at youth@rcdow.org.uk. Please apply by 31 July 2022.

Will You take the first Step?



CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people.

This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring others to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included.

Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to cafod.org.uk/gapyear

Tony Sheen
Community Participation Co-ordinator

Save the date: 16-17th July 2022. Marriage Encounter are hosting a non-residential marriage



enrichment weekend. This is a wonderful opportunity for couples to spend time reflecting on, refreshing and rejoicing in their wonderful vocation. For details go to:

[Book a weekend - World Wide Marriage Encounter England and Wales \(wwme.org.uk\)](http://wwme.org.uk)