

BIRTHDAY MASSES: Val MacKenzie 4th June; Mae MacDonald 8th June.

Ad multos annos!

Weekday Services (3rd June – 8th June)

Monday *St Charles Lwanga and Companions* Morar: 10.15 am
Tuesday Mallaig: 5.00 pm
Reception of the Body Morar: 6.00 pm
Wednesday *Requiem Mass of Gerry MacDonald RIP* Morar: 12.00 noon
250th Anniversary of Moidart Mission Glenuig: 7.00 pm
Thursday Mallaig: 10.15 am
Friday Morar: 10.15 am
Saturday *Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral (Oban)* Arisaig: 10.15 am

Sunday Masses 8th/9th June (Pentecost Sunday – Year C)

Saturday (Vigil-Mass) 6:00 pm Morar
 Sunday 10:00 am Arisaig
 Sunday 11:30 am Mallaig

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Morar: after Mass on Friday

Sacrament of Reconciliation (unless announced otherwise):

1st Saturday of the month 10:30 am Arisaig
 3rd Saturday of the month 5:00 pm Mallaig
 2nd, 4th, 5th Saturday of the month 5:00 pm Morar

Housebound visits this week Arisaig

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig:
 26.05 £442 (including £312 of Gift Aided Donations)
Arisaig:
 26.05 £272.50 (including £87.30 of Gift Aided Donations)

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Joan Bremner 02.06.2009; Micky Kane 05.06.2002; Elaine MacKay 07.06.2018; Gerry MacDonald (died recently); Ewen Dugald MacDonald 09.06.2004.

Eternal rest...

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Parish of St. Mary's, Arisaig & St. Donnan's, Isle of Eigg
Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St Cumin's, Morar
St. Patrick's, Mallaig & St. Columba's, Isle of Canna

7th Sunday of Easter (C)

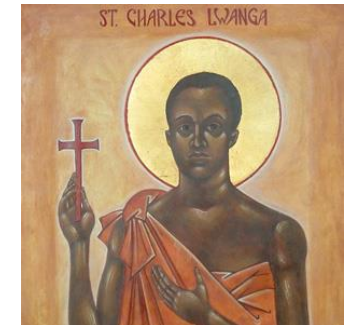
2nd June 2019

R) The Lord is king, most high above all the earth..

Alleluia, alleluia! I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia!

Monday – Charles Lwanga and Companions

Many Christians, Catholic and Protestant, were killed by the Ugandan king Mwanga. Some of them were servants in the king's palace or even his personal attendants. Charles Lwanga and his twenty-one companions (the youngest, Kitizo, was only 13) were executed for being Christians, for rebuking the king for his debauchery and for murdering an Anglican missionary, for "praying from a book," and for refusing to allow themselves to be ritually sodomised by the king. They died between 1885 and 1887. Most of them were burned alive in a group after being tortured. Within a year of their deaths, the number of catechumens in the country quadrupled. St Charles Lwanga is the patron of Catholic Action and of black African youth, and the Ugandan martyrs' feast day is a public holiday in Uganda.



Wednesday – St. Boniface

For the first forty years of his life Boniface was known as Wynfrith. He was born in Devon and educated at the monastery at Exeter, and then joined the Benedictine abbey at Nursling, near Southampton. He was a teacher and preacher, but he desired to preach the gospel in a foreign land. In 718, Pope Gregory II commissioned him to do so, at the same time changing his name from Wynfrith to Boniface. He is buried at Fulda, near Frankfurt, in the monastery he founded himself, and is honoured as the apostle of Germany.

VISITORS: We welcome all the Visitors to our area. Hope you have a nice and pleasant stay. If you like our Parishes, please follow our page on Facebook!

WORLD COMMUNICATION DAY:

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: Today, our Special Collection is for Communications (do not use GA envelopes). Following, Special Collection on June 9th for Day for Life (do not use GA envelopes).

NEWS FROM THE BISHOP:

FR COLIN MACINNES: Fr Colin has to undergo surgery and has left Benbecula last coming Monday. His recovery period is estimated at four months. Bishop McGee knows that you will keep Fr Colin in your prayers. He is grateful to Fr Michael MacDonald for offering to cover St Mary's for this period. This involves a temporary rationalisation of Mass times.

ORDINATION OF DEACON RONALD CAMPBELL: Bishop is very much looking forward to the ordination of Rev Ronald on July 9th in St Mary's, Benbecula. He knows that many of our priests and people will also be present. Please keep Ronald in your prayers. Please also keep Philip Bua in your prayers who received the Ministry of Reader two weeks ago. We look forward to Tony Livesy receiving the Ministries of Reader and Acolyte in St Mary's, Portree on Sunday, 7th July, as he continues his journey towards the Permanent Diaconate. **CLERGY ASSEMBLY:** The relics of St Therese of Lisieux will be in our Cathedral from Thursday 12th to Saturday 14th September 2019. It was agreed that due to the uniqueness of the occasion that the Clergy Assembly would be moved to Wednesday 11th - Friday 13th September, so as to coincide with the visitation of the relics. The Clergy Assembly speaker will be familiar with Carmelite spirituality. We will have the opportunity to gather with our people in veneration of the relics and to assist them spiritually too. Please put these dates in your diary. Therese's spirituality speaks to many people today. She understood the principles of what Vatican II called the Universal Call to Holiness. It would be good to encourage reflection on Therese's life and/or writings in our parishes in preparation for the September visit.

Fr Michael Hutson recently attended a meeting of the National Co-ordinating Group. He will share with us our diocesan plans on his return from the Holy Land.

250th ANNIVERSARY OF THE MOIDART MISSION: This year Mingarry Parish is celebrating 250 years since the founding of the Moidart Mission. They have a programme of spiritual and cultural events. The Opening Mass will be celebrated in St Agnes, Glenuig on Wednesday 5th June at 7pm. You are most welcome to concelebrate. Please inform your parishioners, especially those in the Lochaber deanery.

FOOD BANK NEEDS OUR HELP: Please, continue with your generosity!

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: There are a lot of people not well at the moment and require our constant prayers and support.

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servants for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, they may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord.

ARISAIG PARISH:

PARISH COUNCIL: Minutes from the meeting are available at the back.

AIRBNB: We have more and more enquiries and bookings coming for the summer. We hope our guests will enjoy their stay in Arisaig.

PUBLICITY: It seems that for a change the Chapel House was a feature in some of the media. Having such a positive response to the house let is only thanks to so many of you who helped with the renovation, grounds keeping and support of the Parish!

MORAR PARISH:

CHURCH LOTTERY: Have you bought your ticket today? It is a great way of showing support.

GERRY MACDONALD RIP: With great sadness we got word that Gerry MacDonald passed away in hospital in Glasgow yesterday. The Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday, 5th June at 12 noon at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and St. Cumin's in Morar with Reception of the Remains the day before at 6pm. Our thoughts and prayers go to the family. May he rest in peace.

JOSIE CRUDEN RIP: Thank you for your participation we raised £326 out of which £163 will go to the Parish and £81.50 to Friends of the MacIntosh and £81.50 to the River Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

NEW ORGAN IN MORAR: I do not think anyone would notice that we have a new Organ in Morar. It is a significant upgrade to an old instrument that was beginning to show some wear and tear... The new organ is approximately 15 years old and comes with a warranty. The total cost with transport and service was £1600. I know that it is a significant amount to ask for but since an organ is bought for many, many years, perhaps someone would like to sponsor it in memory of someone? Perhaps ask a friend or two to join in together? It would be an extreme relief to already stretched out finances.

VOTIVE CANDLE STAND ON CANNA: The votive stand has been donated in memory of Margaret MacEachen. We will commission a commemorating plaque for it. Winnie on Canna will make sure it is well looked after and hopefully generate some donations since the cost of electricity is so high.

BINGO: We decided at the Parish Council meeting that we will hold a Bingo night. To make it successful and noteworthy, we need decent prizes. Please, consider donating prizes. Mairi Henderson and Lindsay Murray will be responsible for collecting prizes.

CARDS TO SIGN: There are cards at the back of the Church for Fr Joe's and Fr Michael Hutson's ordination anniversaries. Please sign up and consider contributing something. Mary Morrison is in charge of this kitty.

PARISH COUNCIL: Please, take a copy of the Minutes from the back of the church.

Pope in Romania: Mary the model of encounter and joy

At Mass in Bucharest, on the Feast of the Visitation, Pope Francis contemplates Mary as the model of journeying, encountering, and rejoicing.

By Vatican News

The last time a Pope celebrated Mass in the Cathedral of St Joseph in Bucharest was on the 8th of May 1999. That was exactly 20 years ago, and the Pope was St John Paul II. On Friday afternoon, Pope Francis celebrated his first Mass in Romania and reflected on the feast of the day: the Visitation of Our Lady to her cousin Elizabeth. In his homily, he invited us to contemplate what he called three precious elements: "Mary journeys, Mary encounters, Mary rejoices".

MARY JOURNEYS

Mary journeys to the house of Elizabeth. It was the first of many, said the Pope, culminating in the journey to Calvary. All of them have one thing in common, he said: "they were never easy; they always required courage and patience".

Our Lady knows what it means to walk uphill, continued Pope Francis, "she knows what it is to be weary of walking and she can take us by the hand amid our difficulties".

Contemplating Mary allows us to "turn our gaze to all those many women, mothers and grandmothers of these lands who, by their quiet sacrifices, devotion and self-denial, are shaping the present and preparing the way for tomorrow's dreams", he said. "Theirs is a silent, tenacious and unsung sacrifice".

MARY ENCOUNTERS

Mary encounters Elizabeth, a younger woman going to meet an older one, "seeking her roots", said the Pope. "Here, young and old meet, embrace and awaken the best of each". The Pope described this as "a miracle brought about by the culture of encounter, where no one is discarded or pigeonholed, but all are sought out, because all are needed to reveal the Lord's face".

The culture of encounter urges us as Christians "to experience the miraculous motherhood of the Church", said Pope Francis, "as she seeks out, protects and gathers her children. In the Church, when different rites meet, when the most important thing is not one's own affiliation, group or ethnicity, but the People that together praises God, then great things take place", he added. "Blessed are those who believe and who have the courage to foster encounter and communion".

MARY REJOICES

Mary rejoices because she is carrying Jesus in her womb. "Without joy, we remain paralyzed, slaves to our unhappiness", said Pope Francis.

"Faith wavers when it just floats along in sadness and discouragement", he said. "When we live in mistrust, closed in on ourselves, we contradict the faith. Instead of realizing that we are God's children for whom He does great things, we reduce everything to our own problems".

This is where we find the secret of our joy, said the Pope: "Mary, lowly and humble, starts from God's greatness and despite her problems – which were not few – she is filled with joy, for she entrusts herself to the Lord in all things. She reminds us that God can always work wonders if we open our hearts to Him and to our brothers and sisters".

"Mary journeys, encounters and rejoices because she carries something greater than herself", concluded Pope Francis: "She is the bearer of a blessing".