

Parish Services

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY:*Ad multos annos!*

Weekday Services (12th July – 17th July)

Video Streamed Mass on Parish Facebook. *Public Masses: No need to book your attendance, remember to leave your contact details at the door. Arrive early to allow yourself enough time and avoid queuing.*

Monday Morar, 10am

May MacDonald

Tuesday Arisaig, 10am

Donald MacDonald RIP

Wednesday Morar, 10am

Mary Morrison RIP

Thursday Arisaig, 10am

Mary Morrison RIP

Friday Morar, 10am

Alexander MacKenzie RIP

Saturday *St Thomas, Apostle* Arisaig, 10am

James MacDonald RIP

Sunday Masses 17th July / 18th July (16th Sunday in Ordinary Time – B)

Saturday Morar: 6pm

Allan MacDonald

Sunday Arisaig: 10am

Elizabeth MacBeth RIP

Sunday, Children's Mass (open to everyone) Morar: 12noon

Malcolm Morrison RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation (only by prior arrangement, in Morar)

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GENEROSITY IN THIS DIFFICULT TIME. FOR ALL ONLINE DONATIONS, ENVELOPES POSTED TO THE CHAPEL HOUSE AND STANDING ORDERS INTO THE PARISH BANK ACCOUNTS.

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig: 04.07 £269 (inc. Gift Aid £141)

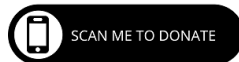
Arisaig: 04.07 £387 (inc. Gift Aid £88)

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Alistair (Jumbo) MacLean 07.07.2018; Angus MacDougall 02.07.1995; Alexander MacKenzie 14.06; Allan MacDonald 17.07; James (the Painter) MacDonald; Thomas Stanly Proudfoot 12.07; Effie MacDonald (Craigmhor) 16.07; Lachlan Robertson; Lawrie Byrne; Leon Krasucki 13.07.

.....*Eternal rest...*



HEATING&LIGHTING:
In Memory of Lawrie Byrne (1st Ann)



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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**

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

11th July 2021

R) Let us see, O Lord, your mercy, and give us your saving help.

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!



**"I am touched by the many caring messages received in these days.
I thank everyone for their closeness and prayer."**

VISITORS: Welcome to all our Visitors, especially our regular visitors whom we missed greatly because of Covid!

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.

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SIMPLY LEAVE YOUR DETAILS AT THE DOOR**

IMPORTANT! HOUSEBOUND VISITS: I resumed regular visits with Communion to our Housebound. As we are still under restrictions, it would be difficult to point to the exact day/time as I have to and want to follow some Covid safety, including regular lateral flow testing. I am aiming to pay a visit once a month, with each week being dedicated to Mallaig (1st week of the month), Arisaig (2nd week of the month) and Morar (3rd week of the month). I have been double vaccinated now thanks to our wonderful team working at the Health Centre and feel to underline the importance remind you once again of the importance of the importance of receiving Sacraments of the Church. Taking all this into consideration, this is an opt-in service which means that you have to either phone or ask a friend to contact me (email) to add you to the new regular housebound list. Please, do not hesitate to speak about this and share this information with as many parishioners as possible.

ARISAIG CHAPEL HOUSE: Last week, 3 windows were supposed to be replaced in the Chapel House. Sadly, they never arrived on time due to various production delays. We had 3 service days during which electrical testing was finalised to cover the spectrum of the insurance requirements. We were also able to do some painting (gutters and old windows that were supposed to be replaced). My thanks to Christ Rice (electrician) and Duncan MacDonald (the painter) for their assistance. We continue to receive good reviews following the stays in the house. It does however take a lot of time and effort to look after our visitors. The grounds are so well kept thanks to Duncan Lee, Donald MacEachen and Tommy MacEachen, Hugh MacDonald, Debbie Atkinson and Catriona MacDonald continue to provide a 5-star cleaning service. My thanks to them all.

ST. PATRICK'S / PARISH COUNCIL: After long and honest discussion, it was decided that Parish Consultations are to take place on the future of St. Patrick's. Please note that no decisions took place, and it will be up to the Parish Council, Parish Priest, the Bishop and the Diocese to make any decisions. This is a lengthy process. Consultation is to take place entirely on the local level and was in no way started or influenced by the

Bishop or the Diocese. Starting this Sunday, Parishioners can submit their suggestions via emails or letters addressed to:

FAO Morar and Mallaig Parish Council, Chapel House, Morar, MALLAIG, PH40 4PB.

Unsigned/anonymous letters will not be taken into consideration. Deadline for submission will be 31st July. On 1st August at 3pm in Morar, we will hold a Parish Council meeting and discuss our options. Afterwards we will submit our proposal to the Diocese. It is not easy to discuss any of such matters and I know that a lot of people have emotional connection with St. Patrick's. At the same time, we cannot pretend that the difficult situation of the Parish does not exist. We certainly need to look toward the future and how we can best provide Services with ageing population and diminishing numbers.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: 1st AUGUST 2021, 3pm

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: I know we got out of habit of uplifting these Collections and the rules we have to follow. I just wanted to remind you that unless the Special Collection is listed on your envelopes (Bishop's Fund, Sick and Retired Priests, Diocesan Pastoral Fund, Ecclesiastical Student's Fund), you cannot Gift Aid it. We had several people using their envelopes in both Morar and Arisaig for Peter's Pence which was not on the list. Our next Special Collection will be on **17th/18th July** for Bishop's Fund (as it is on the list above, you can use the envelope and tick the correct box). I know that we do not like to be told what to do, but your cooperation helps both me as well as all the volunteers who help with the accounts. Please help us!

Letter Regarding Consultation on Future Arrangements for Early Medical Abortion at Home

Peter Kearney, Director of the Scottish Catholic Media Office, recently wrote the following letter for a national paper:

Over the past 20 years, the Scottish government has conducted hundreds of consultations, generating many thousands of responses. Consultations were seen as a mechanism to garner evidence and opinion from organisations and individuals which fed in to the public policy and legislative process.

They set out to "seek views" and "gather evidence" and seemed like an entirely innocuous way of taking the pulse of the nation. Or at least they were until last week when the Scottish government broke with every previous convention and deliberately set out to diminish and demean the views of thousands of individuals who took part in the Consultation on Future Arrangements for Early Medical Abortion at Home.

The consultation ran for three months at the end of last year. Owing to the pandemic, the government had changed the rules for early abortions, no longer requiring women to attend a hospital clinic to take mifepristone, the two sets of pills, under medical supervision. Instead, powerful abortifacients could be taken at home.

Although more than 600 medical professionals signed an open letter to the Scottish, Welsh and English governments calling for an end to "at-home" abortion because of concerns about abortions occurring beyond the ten-week limit and about women and girls being coerced into an abortion against their will, the Scottish government consulted on whether the arrangements should become permanent or revert to the previous arrangements. DIY home abortions are associated with incidents including significant pain and bleeding, ruptured ectopics and haemorrhage.

Only 17 per cent of submissions to the consultation supported home abortions being made permanent. A total of 61 per cent wanted home abortion services ended and 74 per cent believed they had a negative impact on the safety of women.

In a shocking analysis of the consultation results, however, a sinister anti-faith bias is evident.

A significant number of responses from the public were labelled as "organised by pro-life or faith groups" as if to suggest that they should be dismissed or downgraded in importance. Worryingly, responses from pro-abortion groups were not singled out.

Clearly wrong-footed by the overwhelming opposition to home abortion, the Scottish government has sought to diminish the results and to commission an "independent evaluation" of the procedure. There are no prizes for guessing what the outcome of that exercise will be.