

Parish Services

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY:*Ad multos annos!*
Video Streamed Mass on Parish Facebook, except for Mallaig.

Weekday Services (9th January – 14th January)

Monday, The Baptism of the Lord.....Morar, 10am
Iain and Margaret MacLellan RIP

Tuesday, Arisaig, 10am
Jane Curran RIP

Wednesday, Mallaig, 10am
Canon Pat Kelly

Requiem Mass of John MacLellan RIP..... Morar, 12noon

Thursday, Arisaig, 10am
Iain MacDonald RIP

Funeral Service of Peter Bridge RIP..... Arisaig, 12noon

Friday, St Kentigern.....Morar, 10am
Donald MacDonald RIP

Saturday, Arisaig, 10am
Jackie Milligan RIP

SUNDAY MASSES 14th January/ 15th January (The Epiphany of the Lord – A)

Saturday-Vigil..... **Morar: 6pm**
Blessings for Mae MacDonald

Sunday..... **Arisaig: 10am**
Blessings for Johnalda MacLeod

Sunday, Children’s Mass (open to everyone) **Mallaig: 11.30am**
Donald Lawrence MacNeil RIP

HOUSEBOUND VISITS: 1st Week (Arisaig); 2nd Week (Morar); 3rd Week (Mallaig); Mackintosh Centre – every 1st Wednesday of the month.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (only by prior arrangement)

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 and Mallaig: £517.00 (incl. Gift Aid £246.00)

Arisaig: £248.00 (incl. Gift Aid £92.00)

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 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!



ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Irene and Dougie MacKellaig; Michael Leonard; Ronnie MacDonald; Susan MacLellan; Donald MacLellan; Iain and Margaret MacLellan; Elizabeth MacDonald; Jane Curran; Canon Pat Kelly; Iain MacDonald; Jackie Milligan; Donald Lawrence MacNeil 27.12; Canon John McAllister; Canon Bill Conway; Donald MacDonald 22.01.1999; Margaret MacEachen; James MacDonald; Ryan Moynihan Gillies (Arisaig) 01.01; James MacDonald; Jim Wright; Angus MacDonald (Gorten) 6/1/1973; Ronald MacDonald (Ronnie Kilmory) 26/12.

Eternal rest...



HEATING&LIGHTING: Elizabeth MacDonald RIP



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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

The Epiphany (A)

8th January 2023

Mass Intentions:

Saturday-Vigil Mass 6pm: Donald MacLellan RIP

Sunday 10am: Susan MacLellan RIP

Sunday 11.30am: Irene and Dougie MacKellaig; Michael Leonard; Ronnie MacDonald RIP



VISITORS: Welcome to all our Visitors, including 3 Wise Men this Sunday!

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: There are a lot of people not well at the moment and require our constant prayers and support. There are so many people that occupy my thoughts and prayers at the moment. Please. Do not lose your faith in prayer! It works miracles. I am always ready to administer the Sacrament of the Sick whenever you ask. It is not an imposition; I am happy to carry out this ministry. I will always respect your privacy and confidentiality.

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

Christmas Crib Collection for Holy Childhood. If you wish to contribute to this collection, please use the baskets located next to the Crib. This Sunday will be your last opportunity. Thank you for your generosity.

- 7th / 8th January for Justice and Peace. Do not use Parish GA Envelopes.
- 21st / 22nd January for Parish Maintenance. Use Parish GA Envelopes.

END OF CHRISTMASTIDE: Feast of Baptism of the Lord marks the end of Christmas Season. We will enter into what is called Ordinary Time until Ash Wednesday, which begins the Season of Lent. This year Ash Wednesday falls on 22nd February. Easter Sunday will be Celebrated on the 9th April 2023.

PRAYERS FOR POPE EMERITUS: Last Thursday marked the Funeral of Pope Benedict. We remember in our prayers about this great church theologian.

FUNERALS: With great sadness we will pray for John MacLellan RIP in Morar on Wednesday at 12 noon and Peter Bridge RIP in Arisaig on Thursday at 12noon.

SOUP KITCHEN: Another event behind us. We had a lovely spread again but the number of attendees not so great. We will continue nonetheless as I hope people will be more encouraged as time goes on. We resumed on 7th January 2023. We need more volunteers again.

BISHOPS VISIT: The bishop is reflecting on our diocese and how we can best grow in the direction God desires for the future. The bishop invites us all to join in this process of discernment. We are within a two-month spiritual preparation during which the bishop will visit every parish to explain in person his vision and to listen to your comments and questions. He will visit Morar at 6pm and Arisaig at 8pm on 24th January. More details can be found on the Diocesan Website at www.rcdai.org.uk.

END of YEAR ACCOUNTS: Both Morar and Arisaig Parishes have submitted their annual returns to the Diocese. I am pleased to inform you that our financial situation has stabilised and despite extra expenses associated with Roof repairs, we are finally able to balance our income/expenditure and rebuild the deposit for a rainy day. If not for all these savings that we have kept, surviving Covid and Cost of Living Crisis would have been much more difficult. Our Finance Committee Members would have a short presentation ready for the next Parish Council Meetings which I hope to set for the end of January. I am grateful to our Finance Committees for all their readiness and support that they are offering me in running the Parishes. I would like to thank you once again for everything that you do for the Parishes – not only by contributing, but foremost your volunteering and presence at Mass.

DIOCESAN LEVY: Finally, after a significant turmoil over the last few years, the Diocese has decided to honour the established Levy levels for the coming year.

Based on Offertory Income only, Over £40,000 - 36.50%; Up to £40,000 - 35.50%; Up to £30,000 - 34.50%; Up to £20,000 - 33.00%; Up to £15,000 - 28.00%; Up to £10,000 - 23.00%. Extra donations like pledges, grants, etc. should not be included in this calculation but it will be up to our Finance Committee Members to make sure that these rules are honoured by the diocese. Last year, Morar Parish paid £7506 to the Diocese and Arisaig Parish £6793 toward the Levy. This does not include Special Collections.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: 19th of January at 5pm for Members of the Committee from both parishes in the Chapel House in Morar. It will be a videoconference with the Diocesan Finance Manager.

PRIEST'S SALARY: Bishops of Scotland have decided that the Salary for a priest in 2023 is going to be £277.20/month + Class 2 NI Contributions. Parishes also pay for living expenses, office, and travel/car expenses. Please remember that there is no external source of funding for these. Neither Vatican Bank, nor the Diocese covers these expenses and they come directly from Parish Accounts. From the bottom of my heart, I am grateful for this and keep all the benefactors in my prayers and memory.

FR PAWEL'S VISIT: He will be staying with me in Morar between 30th January and 13th February and available for Confessions. Fr Pawel has asked our Bishop to join the Diocese of Argyll and the Isles but got very little response so far. We are struggling with new vocations so having a fully trained priest with a PhD in Theology could be a great asset for us. Fr Pawel, so moved by your kindness over the years, fell in love with Scottish Catholics. Thank you for all you do for your priests, especially your spiritual support.

MISSION APPEAL: White Fathers have confirmed the dates for next year's Mission appeal. Fr William Cromby will arrive on the 14th April 2023 and stay till 24th April. Fr William does not drive and would greatly appreciate a warm meal once a day. I will leave the Rota nearer the date. I am sure he will have a wonderful time with us.

CAR UPDATE: Skoda Garage in Ayr has been in touch to inform me that they are expecting the car ready for pick up at the beginning of February.

CINEMA DAY OUT

Angus MacDonald was kind enough to offer us a day out in the cinema along with other Parishes in Lochaber.

The date chosen is Wednesday 11th January. Lunch will be provided from 12.45 with the film starting at 2pm. (Fort William, Caol and Glenfinnan have the same event on the 12th, feel free to book either the 11th or 12th)

Do ask a friend too if you wish of course. The chosen film is the just released film 'Living', which is charming and very well reviewed, starring Bill Nighy. It has subtitles. Lunch will be a combination of pizza and shared platters of salad, smoked salmon, cheeses, salami etc (gluten free food available) with a hot or cold soft drink.

The cost of lunch and the film will be £15, booking will be done via the Highland Cinema online booking platform. To get tickets, click on the link below to book, phone the cinema on 01397 609696, or drop in when you are in town.

<https://tickets.highlandcinema.co.uk/movie/living-special-showing>

Please check the Mass Rota on the Back Page!