

### Weekday Services (10<sup>th</sup> July – 15<sup>th</sup> July)

Monday ..... Morar: 10.15 am  
Tuesday *St Benedict* ..... Mallaig: 5.00 pm  
Wednesday ..... Arisaig: 10.15 am  
Thursday ..... Mallaig: 10.15 am  
Friday ..... Morar: 10.15 am  
Saturday *St Bonaventure* ..... Arisaig: 10.15 am

### Sunday Masses 15<sup>th</sup> / 16<sup>th</sup> July (15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - A)

Saturday (Vigil-Mass) 6:00 pm ..... Morar  
Sunday 10:00 am ..... Arisaig  
Sunday 11:30 am ..... Mallaig  
Sunday 2:00 pm ..... Glenuig

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Devotions:

Morar: Friday after Mass

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> July 5:00 pm ..... Mallaig  
Any other time upon request

Housebound visits this week ..... Morar, Thursday Morning

**ANNIVERSARIES/MM:** Bill MacInnis (Nova Scotia) 28/06/2017; Angus John MacDonald 10/07/2010; Liam Brown 27/06/2015; Angus MacDougall 02/07/1995; Helen 03/07 and Lawrence McGeough.

*Eternal rest...*

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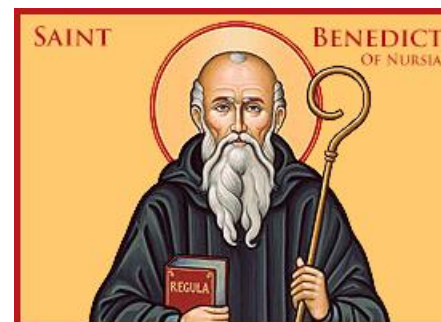
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St Cumin, Morar  
St. Mary's, Arisaig – Our Lady of the Angels, Mingarry  
St. Patrick's, Mallaig - St. Agnes, Glenuig

### 14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)

9<sup>th</sup> July 2017

*R) I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.*

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!



### Tuesday – St. Benedict

Benedict was born in Nursia, in Umbria, and studied in Rome; but he was unable to stomach the dissolute life of the city, and he became a solitary hermit at Subiaco. His reputation spread, and some monks asked him to be their abbot; but they did not like the discipline he imposed and tried to poison him.

Benedict organised various small communities of monks and nuns in various places, including the great monastery of Monte Cassino. He drew up a set of rules to guide the communal life of monasteries. Although this was not the first monastic rule ever, the Rule of St Benedict has proved so wise and balanced that it has served as the foundation of practically every attempt at communal living ever since – and not only in religious communities. The Rule of St Benedict recognises that people aim at perfection but often fall well short of it, and aims to be a “rule for beginners” in which even the least perfect and least able can grow in spiritual stature. To visit a Benedictine monastery of almost any kind is to find oneself spending time among a group of people who, by their strivings to live and grow together, have become more and more themselves, as God intended them, instead of being crushed into false uniformity by some idealistic and authoritarian regime. For those of us in the world, too, the Rule of St Benedict has much to say: it drags our eyes up to the stars but keeps our feet firmly on the ground; it calls us to perfection but keeps us sane.

## Saturday – St. Bonaventure

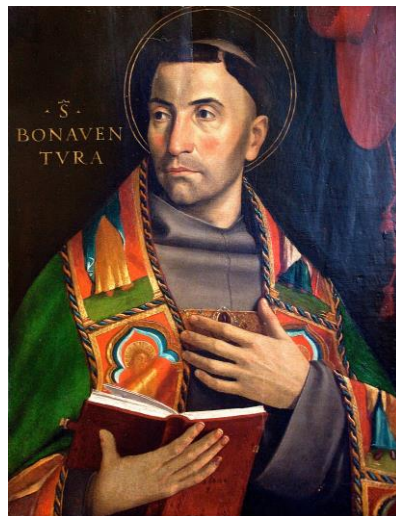
He was born at Bagnoregio in Etruria in about 1218. He became a Franciscan in 1243 and studied philosophy and theology at the University of Paris. He became a famous teacher and philosopher, part of the extraordinary intellectual flowering of the 13th century. He was a friend and colleague of St Thomas Aquinas.

At this time the friars were still a new and revolutionary force in the Church, and their radical embracing of poverty and rejection of institutional structures raised suspicion and opposition from many quarters. Bonaventure defended the Franciscan Order and, after he was elected general of the order in 1255, he ruled it with wisdom and prudence. He is regarded as the second founder of the Order.

He declined the archbishopric of York in 1265 but was made cardinal bishop of Albano in 1273, dying a year later in 1274 at the Council of Lyons, at which the Greek and Latin churches were (briefly) reconciled.

Bonaventure wrote extensively on philosophy and theology, making a permanent mark on intellectual history; but he always insisted that the simple and uneducated could have a clearer knowledge of God than the wise.

He was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1588 by Pope Sixtus V.



**VISITORS:** We welcome all the Visitors to our area. Hope you have a nice and pleasant stay. **Fr Pawel Nowak** and Leszek Gula had a wonderful time in Scotland. Fr Pawel made an attempt to finish the painting of the fence in Mallaig Church, however was prevented by the rain. I am wondering if I should let him finish the work next year? During the week we also had a brief visit from **Fr Andrzej Harden**, who is currently working as Administrator at Fort Augustus. On Monday, we will welcome **Rev Emmanuel Alagbaoso** (till end of July), our Deacon who hopefully will be ordained a priest for our diocese next year.

**MISSION APPEAL/SPECIAL COLLECTION:** Today, **Sister Kathryn**, a Comboni Missionary is with us to deliver an annual Mission Appeal. I am sure we will give her a warm welcome and we will also get some knowledge about her congregation's Missionary work. I am sure that we will be as generous as always toward Missionaries.

**DIOCESAN YOUTH:** Bishop Brian is inviting young people from the diocese accompany him and to work in the Live With Hope HIV/AIDS Clinic in Kericho, Kenya. The trip will take place during July 2018 and is open to those aged between 18-25 years. This will be a fantastic experience but will also demand commitment and hard work. If you would like to find out more then please read the detailed background information on the diocesan website and follow the instructions.

**NATIONAL YOUTH EVENT**, 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> September, organised by the CYSS. Argyll & the Isles are hosting this event. Young people will come from all over Scotland. This event will include Holy Mass in the Abbey, prayers in the St Michael Chapel in front of the Blessed Sacrament, and a tour of the Abbey. For those groups who arrive early on Iona there will be a prayer walk to St Columba's Bay and back in time for the 1pm arrival of

those coming directly off the coach. If you are interested please get in touch with our Diocesan Youth Worker or Coordinator. Bishop McGee would like two young people (15-18 yo) from each parish to be present at this event. Please speak to me if you are interested in going.

As part of the preparation for the Synod on Youth please encourage your young people (15-18yo) to take part in the following survey:

<http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/CYSSYS/>

**SPUC MESSAGE:** A growing number of organisations is working together to propose the most radical abortion policy. The ultimate aim of the campaign is to permit abortion to birth for any reason. The view is completely at odds with public opinion; a recent opinion poll showed 99% of people were opposed to this idea and in fact 70% of women want the abortion time-limit reduced.

However, this is not deterring the pro-abortion groups who have key people in professional organisations such as the Royal College of Midwives and the British Medical Association which has just voted to support the decriminalisation of abortion. This will have great influence on politicians and wider society.

Politically they have already tested the water with a bill at Westminster to decriminalise abortion to 24 weeks. At present abortion is a criminal offence but it can be carried out under exceptions to the law. The attempt to decriminalise was taken by Diana Johnson and her bill succeeded at stage 1 but fortunately ran out of parliamentary time due to the General Election.

That bill will come forward again and in Scotland similar groups are orchestrating attempts to build momentum for decriminalisation in Scotland.

That is why we need to mobilise people at grassroots level to ensure their voice cannot be ignored. We are launching a petition to harness the public distaste for decriminalisation.

**PETITION IS AVAILABLE TO SIGN AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH**

### ARISAIG PARISH:

**NEW CANDLES:** Currently, we have 10 Oil Candles, which will be used regularly during Sunday Mass. Two altar Candles have been donated in Memory of Donald Alistair MacDonald, Two Altar Servers Lights have been donated in Memory of Helen and Lawrence McGeough. We also have six candles on the High Altar which could be donated in memory of someone. Please speak to me after Mass if you wish to donate any candle(s).

### MORAR PARISH:

**DONALD MACLELLAN RIP:** Thank you for your presence and support at Donald's Requiem Mass. We have raised £434 to be shared between the Parish and CHSS.

#### COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig:	
02.07.....	£552 (Gift Aid £261.20)
Arisaig:	
02.07.....	£310 (GA £144)
Peter's Pence.....	£110
Mingarry:	
02.07.....	£144.30 (Gift Aid £95)
Holy Day of Obligation (29.06).....	£0
Peter's Pence.....	£48.87