

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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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

Weekday Services (18th – 23rd September)

Monday Morar: 10.15 am
Tuesday Mallaig: 5:00 pm
Wednesday *Requiem Mass of Margaret Ann MacPherson* Mallaig: 12 noon
Thursday Mallaig: 10.15 am
Friday Morar: 10.15 am
Saturday Arisaig: 10.15 am

Sunday Masses 23rd/24th September (25th 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 Mingarry

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Devotions:

Morar: Friday after Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 23rd September, 5pm..... Morar

Any other time upon request

Housebound visits this week..... Mallaig, Thursday

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Margaret Ann MacPherson (died 8/9/2017); John Tailor (died 8/9/2017); John MacDonald (Coatbridge) 14.09; Iain MacMaster (Mingarry) 13.09; Mary Catherine Moynihan 15.09; Donnie Lindsay (South Uist) 16.09; Anne O'Donaghue 14.09; Ulrich Visschers 24.09.2010; A.J. MacKellaig 19.09.1964; Angus MacDonald 21.09.1979; Gustaw Stepniak (died recently); Jimmy McDonell (Bracarina) 17.07.1993; Mary McDonell (Bracarina) 13.09.1993; Dollina MacPhee (South Uist) died recently; Allan J MacEachen (Nova Scotia) died recently.

Eternal rest...

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24th Sunday of the Year (A) **17th September 2017**
R) The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.
Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!



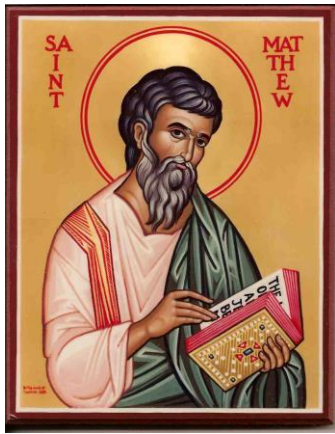
Wednesday – St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and Paul Chong Ha-Sang, and Companions

For centuries, Korea was closed to all outside influences, and all contact with foreigners was forbidden. No missionaries went there. Nevertheless, a number of laymen sought to find out all that they could about the outside world, through the annual embassy to Peking. Some books about Christianity fell into their hands, and they were converted. Because of the secrecy involved, it is impossible to date the origin

of Christianity in Korea with any precision: it may have started in the early 17th century, but the first known baptism is that of Ni-Seoung-Houn, who was baptized under the name of Peter when he visited Peking in 1784. The first known martyrs are Paul Youn and James Kouen, who in 1791 refused to offer sacrifice on the death of their relatives. Over the next century, over ten thousand Korean Christians were executed, with great cruelty; and many others perished.

For most of this period, the church in Korea had no priests and was an entirely lay phenomenon. The first priest, a Frenchman, entered the country in 1836 and was beheaded three years later. Andrew Kim Taegon, the first Korean priest, secretly trained in Macao, entered Korea in 1845 and was executed in 1846, together with his father. A lay apostle, St Paul Chong Hasang, and many others perished at the same time. A further major persecution occurred in 1866.

In all, 103 of the Korean martyrs are celebrated today: they are mostly lay men and women: some married, some not; some old, some young, some even children.



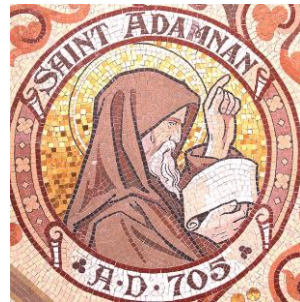
“The Korean Church is unique because it was founded entirely by laypeople. This fledgling Church, so young and yet so strong in faith, withstood wave after wave of fierce persecution. Thus, in less than a century, it could boast of 10,000 martyrs. The death of these many martyrs became the leaven of the Church and led to today’s splendid flowering of the Church in Korea. Even today their undying spirit sustains the Christians of the Church of Silence in the north of this tragically divided land.” – Pope John Paul II at the canonization of the Korean Martyrs, May 6, 1984.

Thursday – St Matthew

He was born in Capernaum, and was working as a tax-collector when Jesus called him. He wrote his gospel in Hebrew, and is said to have preached in the East.

Saturday – Saint Adomnan of Iona

(His name is written as Adamnan or Adomnan and anglicised as Eunan). He was educated by the Columban monks of his native place, subsequently becoming a novice at Iona in 650. In 679 he succeeded to the abbacy of Iona, which position he held up to his death. He was also president-general of all the Columban houses in Ireland. During his rule he paid three lengthy visits to Ireland, one of which is memorable for his success in introducing the Roman dating and celebration of Easter. On his third visit (697) he assisted at the Synod of Tara, when the Cain Adamnain, or Canon of Adamnan (the “Law of Innocents”) was adopted, which freed women and children from the evils inseparable from war, forbidding them to be killed or made captive in times of strife. He is famous for his Life of St Columba, written some time after 688, which has been praised as the best and most complete biography written in Europe for many centuries.



FR PERRY GILDEA: Fr Perry still with us. He kindly offered to say Mass in Morar and Glenuig this Sunday to give me a wee break... Many thanks and welcome.

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! We pray for good weather for all our visitors.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: This weekend we have a Special Collection for Ecclesiastical Students Fund. This is a Diocesan Special Collection that allows us to pay for all the fees required to educate present and future priests. We are very grateful for your generosity.

ALTAR SERVER’S TRIP: Please, put you name on the list if you wish to come. We will be leaving from Mallaig around 9am on 30th September. Our Trip will include a visit to the Three Wise Monkeys for a full training session and Lunch (either Fish and Chips or McDonalds – have not decided yet. Please let me know of any special dietary requirements). Plan to be back around 3pm.

BISHOP MCGEE: Wee alteration to Bishop’s schedule: Arisaig – Thursday, 23rd November; Morar – Monday, 27th November; Mingarry – Monday, 4th December. Please make a note of this in you diaries. Parish Council meetings will take place at 7pm

CONFIRMATIONS/CONFESSIONS/COMMUNIONS: It is about time we begin our preparation for the Sacraments. Lindsay Murray from Mallaig will be preparing our children. There will be a meeting with parents at the end of September to discuss the dates. Please, speak to me or Lindsay if you would like the children to take part – that applies both to Arisaig and Morar Parishes.

ARISAIG PARISH:

PARISH COUNCIL: Very few attended our meeting last Monday – hope it was a onetime hiccup... Next meeting will be with our bishop. Our discussion was dominated by the possibility of expanding Parish Graveyard to allow spaces for some new plots. This has to be checked first from the legal point of view. Will keep you updated if there is some new development.

MORAR PARISH:

MARGARET ANN MACPHERSON RIP: Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday, 20th September in Mallaig at 12noon.

PARISH COUNCIL: Our meeting will take place tomorrow, Monday, at 7pm. Please try to come as it has been a long time since our last meeting and some matters need to be discussed and reported to you.

PROBLEMS WITH WATER: I am very grateful to Douglas, Angus and John, known as MacKellaig Builders for their help with water problems. Other than being professional, they are also dependable. Cattle grid has been cleared and the water is running out... Also the drains behind the church have been cleared. There is still a lot of work regarding water escape. The garage is getting flooded at the moment and that needs to be stopped. Years have passed without any maintenance in that area and to prevent flooding of the church and the house it has to be attended to. We are also looking at the possibility to stop flooding of the field in front of the church. Because of that flooding, our lovely grass that is being attended so carefully by Michael Currie has been overrun by moss. Cultivating a swamp is not my intention and I am sure that Douglas will be able to find solutions to all our problems.

MINGARRY PARISH:

NEW APPOINTMENT: Weeks go by and I have no word about any possible appointments. I must say that it occupies my thoughts a lot because I feel guilty for not being able to offer you pastoral support that you deserve. I ask the good Lord for a solution to this, but at the same time I do not want to make you feel abandoned. I am still your Parish Priest and I intend to do the best I can. I will also not resign my post to force any action, as I think the worst thing that can happen to the parish is a period of instability. Please, let me know if there is anything you need me to do in the parish to help with the Pastoral field. I also want to underline that it would not be possible to continue unless I had your continuous support and involvement in the parish.

ELECTRICITY CHARGES: I have received a bill this week for electricity with a great distress. As much as the usage in Mingarry was the same as usual, the usage in Glenuig produced a bill of £1254.04 (from 26th June to 10th Sep). Unless there is a problem with wiring, we simply cannot continue to use electric heaters all the time – we cannot afford it. Please, could you ask a local electrician to check if nothing serious is causing this high usage (at the weekend it was 4484kWh and weekday 2731kWh). I honestly do not understand it as the Church is used only twice a month.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT: Coffee Morning, Thurs. 28th September 10.30-12.45 at the Acharacle Community Centre.

Donations of refreshments and offers of help (kitchen, washing up, clearing up etc.) would be appreciated. Jean Whitton 01967 431321.

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig:	
10.09.....	£416 (Gift Aid £)
Arisaig:	
10.09.....	£192.80 (GA £98.80)
Mingarry:	
10.09.....	£105 (Gift Aid £75)