

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

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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

## Weekday Services (5<sup>th</sup> May – 12<sup>th</sup> May)

Monday ..... Morar: 10.15 am  
Tuesday ..... Mallaig: 5.00 pm  
Wednesday ..... Arisaig: 10.15 am

## Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (10<sup>th</sup> May)

Wednesday (Vigil-Mass) ..... Mallaig: 7:00 pm  
Thursday ..... Arisaig: 10:15 am

Friday ..... Morar: 10.15 am  
Saturday ..... Arisaig: 10.15 am

## Sunday Masses 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> May (Sixth Sunday of Easter - B)

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

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / May Devotions:

Morar: after Mass on Friday

## Sacrament of Reconciliation (unless announced otherwise):

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

Housebound visits this week ..... Morar

## COLLECTIONS:

<b>Morar/Mallaig:</b>	
29.04 .....	£473 (Gift Aid £315)
Ecclesiastical Students .....	£272
Mission Appeal .....	£465
SCIAF WEE BOXES .....	£449
<b>Arisaig:</b>	
15.04 .....	tba
22.04 .....	tba
29.04 .....	tba
Ecclesiastical Students .....	£108.40 (Gift Aid £20)
SCIAF WEE BOXES .....	£259.22

**ANNIVERSARIES/MM:** Ishbel MacLellan 08.05; Bella McNeil 07/05; Margaret MacDonald 10/05/64; Duncan McDonnell 12/05/14; Patricia Morrison (South Uist) 01/05/2003.

*Eternal rest...*

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

6<sup>th</sup> May 2018

*R) The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.*

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!



## Thursday – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (Holyday of Obligation)

The elevation of Christ into heaven by His own power in presence of His disciples the fortieth day after His Resurrection. It is narrated in Mark 16:19, Luke 24:51, and in the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles.

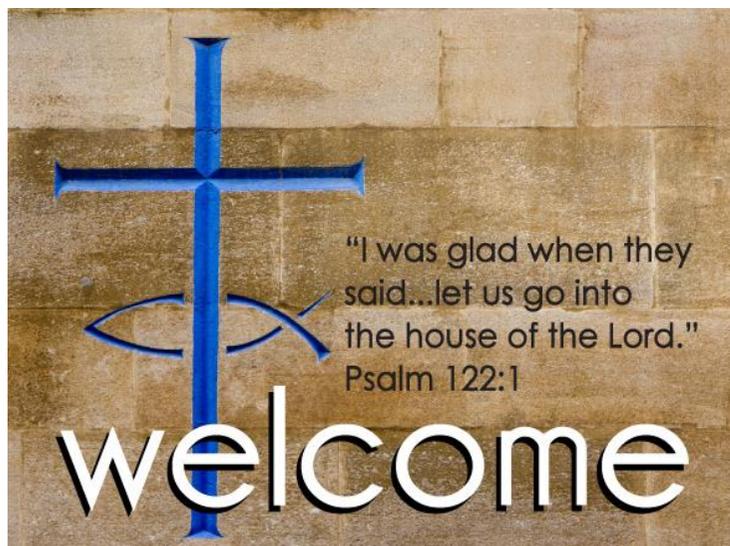
Although the place of the Ascension is not distinctly stated, it would appear from the Acts that it was Mount Olivet. Since after the Ascension the disciples are described as returning to Jerusalem from the mount that is called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, within a Sabbath day's journey. Tradition has consecrated this site as the Mount of Ascension and Christian piety has memorialized the event by erecting over the site a basilica. St. Helena built the first memorial, which was destroyed by the Persians in 614, rebuilt in the eighth century, to be destroyed again, but rebuilt a second time by the crusaders. This the Moslems also destroyed, leaving only the octagonal structure which encloses the stone said to bear the imprint of the feet of Christ, that is now used as an oratory.

Not only is the fact of the Ascension related in the passages of Scripture cited above, but it is also elsewhere predicted and spoken of as an established fact. Thus, in John 6:63, Christ asks the Jews: "If then you shall see the son of Man ascend up where He was before?" and 20:17, He says to Mary Magdalen: "Do not touch Me, for I am not yet ascended to My Father, but go to My brethren, and say to them: I ascend to My Father and to your Father, to My God and to your God." Again, in Ephesians 4:8-10, and in Timothy 3:16, the Ascension of Christ is spoken of as an accepted fact.

The language used by the Evangelists to describe the Ascension must be interpreted according to usage. To say that He was taken up or that He ascended, does not necessarily imply that they locate heaven directly above the earth; no more than the words "sitteth on

the right hand of God" mean that this is His actual posture. In disappearing from their view "He was raised up and a cloud received Him out of their sight" (Acts 1:9), and entering into glory He dwells with the Father in the honour and power denoted by the scripture phrase.

**Please, check the Mass times on the back page of the Newsletter**



**VISITORS:** We welcome all the Visitors to the Parishes!

**SCIAF WEE BOXES:** Will be counted and monies send off to SCIAF.

**GIFT AID:** We will be shortly submitting our applications to the Diocese!

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** Our next Special Collection will be on 13<sup>th</sup> May for Communications. On 3<sup>rd</sup> June we will be Collecting for Apostolate of Life (Day for Life).

**SAFEGUARDING:** The diocese needs new volunteers for Safeguard training. We need at least two new trainers in Lochaber and one each in Argyll and the Southern Isles. Please speak to me if you are interested in becoming a trainer for the diocese. There are new materials at the back of the Church regarding the new Instruction issued by the Bishop's Conference of Scotland.

**BLESSING OF THE FLEET IN MALLAIG:** Many thanks to all who participated! It was good to pray for our fisherman and ask the Good Lord for protection over them and their families.

**NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:** Please note that the Diocese has established new email addresses for Parishes. If there is any Parish Business you would like to contact me about, please use [morar@rcdai.org.uk](mailto:morar@rcdai.org.uk) for Morar Parish or [arisaig@rcdai.org.uk](mailto:arisaig@rcdai.org.uk) for Arisaig Parish. Previous email will no longer operate.

**CONCERT IN FORT WILLIAM:** On Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> May, at 2pm in St. Mary's Church in Fort William Scottish operatic tenor Martin Aelred will perform the Arias of Italy and the Neapolitan Coast. Entry is free: donations only and most of them for charity.

**BUS TO OBAN:** I have booked a Bus to take us to Oban for the Ordination Mass of Deacon Emmanuel. There are 14 seats. Mass is at 7pm so we will be leaving around 4pm and return around 10pm. Oban Parish is organising the spread in the Parish Hall afterwards so no one will starve!

**NOVENA THE HOLY SPIRIT** will begin on Friday of this week.

**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:** Please make a note for Parish Council meeting on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. As always, our Parish Council is open to any parishioners. Please feel free to join us if you can.

**NEW WINDOWS:** John MacKinnon has finished working on the New Windows. As we have a very limited funds, we will discuss at the Parish Council meeting the possibility of organising a fundraiser. If you would like to make a contribution toward the bill of over £24000, it would be greatly appreciated.

**DONATION RECEIVED:** Already in response to our appeal, I have received a most generous donation towards the new windows of £1000 from an anonymous donor. I am very grateful for this as it will help to rebuild our funds. There are so many good and generous people in the Parish, who have contributed over the years. I am always far from making comparisons but if we look at the history of the Parish, it was always evident that Parishioners have taken great pride in the Church and its surroundings. We pray for all our benefactors.

**MORAR PARISH:**

**PARISH COUNCIL:** Please make a note for Parish Council meeting on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7pm. As always, our Parish Council is open to any parishioners. Please feel free to join us if you can.

**FIRST CONFESSIONS:** We will celebrate them at the end of May.

**FIRST COMMUNIONS:** This year, we will be celebrating First Communions on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30am Mass in Mallaig.