



HEATING&LIGHTING: In Memory of Alan & Margaret MacDonald

Weekday Services (16th July – 21st July)

Monday	Morar: 10.15 am
Tuesday	Mallaig: 5.00 pm
Wednesday	Arisaig: 10.15 am
Thursday	Mallaig: 10.15 am
Friday	Morar: 10:15 am
Saturday	Arisaig: 10.15 am

Sunday Masses 21st/22nd July (16th Sunday of the Year - B)

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Devotions:

Morar: after Mass on Friday

Sacrament of Reconciliation (unless announced otherwise):

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

Housebound visits this weekMallaig Bheag side

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig: 08.07	£420 (Gift Aid £247)
Arisaig: 08.07	£317.30 (Gift Aid £104.30)

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Alistair MacLean (died recently); Ewen MacDonald (died recently); Alan MacDonald 17.07; Leon Krasucki 13.07;

Eternal rest...

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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)

15th July 2018

*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!*

VISITORS: We welcome all the Visitors to the Parishes!



SPECIAL COLLECTION: Today we hold a Special Collection for the *Bishop's Fund* (Please use your GA envelopes). Our next Special Collection will be on 19th August for Sick and Retired Priests (Please use your GA envelopes).

JUST A THOUGHT: This past week has seen the good weather spell come to a wee halt. Nonetheless, it was full of events. Fr Pawel has arrived and is enjoying his wee break in Morar. Kora was not quite sure about him but I guess they found mutual ground. I am also glad to welcome Joe McHenry, who will be playing at Masses this weekend. Quite a surprise and a positive one.

MASS ON EIGG: On 26th August I will be going to Eigg to celebrate Mass. Perhaps you would like to join in?

CILLE CHOIRILL: Mass will be celebrated in Cille Choirill on Sunday, 15th July at 3pm. All are most welcome.

CONFESSIONS: Fr Paul (visiting priest) will be hearing confessions next Saturday in Arisaig after Mass and in Mallaig at 5pm.

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:

FUNDRAISING CONTINUES:

- Saturday, 11th August – Sale of work and teas/coffees/soup/baking. Please bring things to donate. If you have any gift cards or vouchers, please consider donating them to the sale. Ask your family members from further away – maybe they would like to help us out? Please speak to Anne and Hugh MacDonald for details. We need volunteers.

WE FOUGHT FOR ARDNISH: We have had an arch interesting meeting at Astley Hall last week. My thanks to all who helped to make it happen. Most of all, Angus MacDonald and Mairi Orr and others who contributed. We have raised £352.

ALISTAIR MACLEAN RIP: Many thanks for your presence and support to the family.

MORAR PARISH:

CHURCH LOTTERY: Have you bought your ticket today? It is a great way of showing support.

SKIP HIRE: A skip will arrive on Wednesday for the load of rubbish behind that has been accumulated over the years in Morar. If you would like to give me and Fr Paul a hand, please come at 3pm. Many thanks. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning! Pope Francis at Angelus 01.07.2018

This Sunday's Gospel passage (cf. Mk 5:21-43) presents two miracles performed by Jesus, almost describing them as a type of triumphal march toward life. Initially the Evangelist speaks about a certain Jairus, one of the rulers of the Synagogue, who approaches Jesus and beseeches Him to go to his home because his 12-year-old daughter is dying. Jesus agrees and goes with him; but, along the way, word arrives that the girl is dead. We can imagine that father's reaction. But Jesus says to him: "Do not fear, only believe" (36). When they arrive at Jairus' house, Jesus sends out the people who were weeping — there were also women mourners who were wailing loudly — and He enters the room with just the parents and the three disciples and speaking to the dead girl He says: "Little girl, I say to you, arise" (v. 41). And immediately the girl gets up, as if waking from a deep sleep (cf. v. 42).

Within the narrative of this miracle, Mark adds another: the healing of a woman who suffers from a haemorrhage and is healed as soon as she touches Jesus' garment (cf. v. 27). Here what is striking is the fact that this woman's faith attracts — to me the word "robs" comes to mind — the divine saving power that is in Christ, who, feeling that "power had gone forth from him", tried to understand who it was. And when the woman, with much shame, comes forward and confesses the whole truth, He tells her: "Daughter, your faith has made you well" (v. 34).

It is a matter of two interlocking narratives, with a single core: faith; and they show Jesus as the wellspring of life, as the One who restores life to those who trust fully in him. The two protagonists, that is, the little girl's father and the sick woman, are not disciples of Jesus yet they are satisfied through their faith. They have faith in that man. From this we understand that all are permitted on the Lord's path: no one should feel as an intruder, an interloper or one who has no right. To have access to His heart, to Jesus' heart, there is only one requirement: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him. I ask you: do each of you feel that you need to be healed? Of something, of some sin, of some problem? And, if you feel this, do you have faith in Jesus? These are the two requirements in order to be healed, in order to have access to his heart: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him. Jesus goes to discover these people among the crowd and removes them from anonymity, frees them from the fear of living and of taking risks. He does so with a look and a word which sets them back on the path after much suffering and humiliation. We too are called to learn and to imitate these freeing words and this gaze which restores the will to live to those who lack it.

In this Gospel passage the themes of faith and of new life, which Jesus came to offer to all, are intertwined. When he enters the house where the dead girl lies, he sends outside those who are weeping and making tumult (cf. v. 40), and he says: "The child is not dead but sleeping" (v. 39). Jesus is Lord, and before him physical death is like a dream: there is no reason to despair. Another death is the one to fear: that of the heart hardened by evil! Yes, we should be afraid of that one! When we feel we have a hardened heart, a heart that is hardened, allow me to say, a mummified heart, we should be afraid of this. This is the death of the heart. But sin too, the mummified heart too, is never the last word with Jesus, because he has brought us the infinite mercy of the Father. And even if we have hit rock bottom, his tender and strong voice reaches us: "I say to you, arise!". It is beautiful to hear that word of Jesus addressed to each one of us: "I say to you, arise! Go. Stand up. Take courage, arise!". Jesus restores life to the little girl and restores life to the healed woman: life and faith to both.

Let us ask the Virgin Mary to accompany our journey of faith and of concrete love, especially toward those who are in need. Let us invoke her maternal intercession for our brothers and sisters who are suffering in body and in spirit.