

# 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**

**BIRTHDAY MASSES:** Morag MacDonald (Ardnafuaran) 18.05.

*Ad multos annos!*

### Weekday Services (20<sup>th</sup> May – 25<sup>th</sup> May)

Monday *Our Lady of Fatima* ..... Morar: 10.15 am  
Tuesday *St Matthias* ..... 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 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> May (Sixth Sunday of Easter – Year C)

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

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

*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 ..... Mallaig Bheag

### COLLECTIONS:

**Morar/Mallaig:**  
12.05 ..... £397 (including £262 of Gift Aided Donations)  
Church Maintenance ..... £377 (including £207 of Gift Aided Donations)  
**Arisaig:**  
12.05 ..... £269.85 (including £100.15 of Gift Aided Donations)  
Church Maintenance ..... £159.70 (including £43.10 of Gift Aided Donations)

### ANNIVERSARIES/MM:

*Eternal rest...*

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### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (C)

19<sup>th</sup> May 2019

*R) I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.  
Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment:  
love one another just as I have loved you, says the Lord. Alleluia!*



**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!

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:** Our next Special Collection on June 2<sup>nd</sup> for Communications (do not use GA).

**PRIVATE:** Cats went missing again. They disappeared during fencing of the back yard. If you spot them around Morar, please do let me know. I am not entirely sure if they got frightened of Hughie's dogs or Hughie himself 😊

Apparently in recent weeks I was a subject of discussion (gossip!), in the Isles in particular. I heard multiple stories from multiple sources. So to calm some of you down – I am not leaving the Diocese. I am not leaving the Parish. It does not mean that I did not like my time in other Parishes in the Diocese, but I am still happy in Arisaig and Morar. After reading a lot of stories of Padres in the Army, I am interested in this type of ministry, but at the moment I am happy where I am! The above cover only few subjects of discussions...

**FOOD BANK NEEDS OUR HELP:** Please, continue with your generosity!

**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:

**NEW BOILER:** We are still waiting for some parts to arrive and Jamie assures me that the works will begin shortly.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** It is time we meet to discuss matters concerning the Parish. I will schedule the meeting for Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> of May at 7pm in the Club Room. Please, consider the matters you would like to be discussed on the Agenda.

**AIRBNB:** We have our first bookings!

#### MORAR PARISH:

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

**FENCE:** Many thanks to Hugh MacDonald (Craighmor) for fixing the fence at the back of Morar Church. Hugh will be back to do some tidying up (old fence remnants) and fix the wee bridge above water canal.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** It is time we meet to discuss matters concerning the Parish. I will schedule the meeting for Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> of May. Please, consider the matters you would like to be discussed on the Agenda.



**HEATING&LIGHTING:** In Memory of the Sandy MacDonald (Gorten).

*From Vatican News - Massimiliano Menichetti - Vatican City*

#### **Pope authorizes pilgrimages to Medjugorje**

The announcement was made by the Apostolic Visitor, Henryk Hoser and the Apostolic Nuncio. Ad Interim Director Gisotti: "Attention given to favouring and promoting the fruits of good", but this does not mean "an authentication of known events".

Pope Francis has decided to authorize pilgrimages to Medjugorje, which can now be officially organized by dioceses and parishes and will no longer take place only in a private capacity which as has so far been the case. The announcement was made today during Mass, at the parish shrine which has become a destination for millions of pilgrims, by the Apostolic Nuncio Luigi Pezzuto in Bosnia-

Herzegovina and Archbishop Henryk Hoser, the Holy See's Special Apostolic Visitor.

#### **Pilgrimages do not authenticate known events**

The "ad interim" director of the Holy See Press Office, Alessandro Gisotti, responding to journalists' questions about the announcement, specified that the papal authorization must be accompanied by "care to prevent these pilgrimages from being interpreted as an authentication of known events, which still require examination by the Church. Therefore, care must be taken to avoid creating confusion or ambiguity from the doctrinal point of view regarding such pilgrimages. This also concerns pastors of every order and level who intend to go to Medjugorje and celebrate or concelebrate there even in a solemn way".

#### **Pastoral attention**

"Considering the considerable flow of people who go to Medjugorje and the abundant fruits of grace that have sprung from it - continued Gisotti - this authorization is part of the particular pastoral attention that the Holy Father intended to give to that reality, aimed at encouraging and promoting the fruits of good".

The apostolic visitor, concluded the ad interim director, "will have, in this way, greater ease in establishing - relations with the priests in charge of organizing pilgrimages to Medjugorje, as well as, safe and well-prepared persons, offering them information and indications to be able to fruitfully conduct such pilgrimages, - in agreement with the ordinary people of the place."

The Pope's decision comes a year after the appointment of Hoser, Archbishop Emeritus of Warszawa-Prague in Poland, as "Apostolic Visitor for the Parish of Medjugorje, on May 31, 2018.

Both that nomination and today's announcement do not, therefore, enter into doctrinal questions relating to the authenticity of the account of the six visionaries of what has happened in Medjugorje since June 1981, a phenomenon that has not yet been concluded. Of the six visionaries, at that time children or young people, three assure us that they still have a daily apparition of the "Queen of Peace", always at the same time in the afternoon and wherever they are: they are Vicka (who lives in Medjugorje), Marija (who lives in Monza) and Ivan (who lives in the United States but often returns home). A fourth visionary, Mirjana, says that she receives an apparition every month, on the 2nd, while for the last two this happens once a year.