

BIRTHDAY MASSES: Mairead MacDonald (70th) 01.10.....*Ad multos annos!*

Weekday Services (30th September – 5th October)

Monday *Saint Jerome* Morar: 10.15 am
Tuesday *St Therese of the Child Jesus* Mallaig: 5.00 pm
Wednesday *Requiem Mass of Iain MacDonald RIP* Mallaig: 12 noon
Thursday Mallaig: 10.15 am
Friday *St Francis of Assisi*..... Morar: 10.15 am
Saturday Arisaig: 10.15 am
Sunday Masses 5th October/6th October (27th Sunday of the 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):

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

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig:	
15.09	£425 (including £305 of Gift Aided Donations)
22.09	£257 (including £141.50 of Gift Aided Donations)
Pastoral Formation	£166 (including £45 of Gift Aided Donations)
Arisaig:	
15.09	£280.20 (including £159.70 of Gift Aided Donations)
22.09	£270.95 (including £110.55 of Gift Aided Donations)
Pastoral Formation	£106.33 (including £39 of Gift Aided Donations)

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Frank Kirkwood (died recently); Mary Catherine Lindsay 15.09; Donnie Lindsay 16.09; Ian MacDonald (Morar) 06.10.2012; Dugald MacPherson (Arisaig) 06.10.1989; Iain MacDonald (died recently).

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

26th Sunday of the Year (C)

29th September 2019

R) My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!



PILGRIMAGE: It was a wonderful time. Here are some short reports:

DAY 1

Our Pilgrimage begins... we took off from Edinburgh Airport on time and landed safely in Porto. Our tour guide was waiting for us at the Airport and we soon boarded our Coach which would be touring us around Portugal and Spain. We are staying at the Hotel near the airport so that we would be ready to start our day tomorrow refreshed. Our Lady of Fatima and St. James - pray for us!

DAY 2

We started early today with Breakfast at our lovely Hotel. We boarded our coach to go to Porto to celebrate Mass at Saint Joseph's Church, patron saint of workers, so close to many. Afterwards we had quite a strenuous walk to board the boat for a cruise on River Douro. We had a chance to taste and see how real Port is made. Our lunch, at a lovely local restaurant prepared fresh Sorrel Soup and Grilled 'Dorada' (bream). Because our day proved to be so busy with events, we decided to go directly to Santiago de Compostela. It was so surprising to discover that Archbishop Mario Conti was on another Pilgrimage to Santiago and Salamanca. A strong contingent of Pilgrims from Scotland. We have attached some photos from our day. Weather is absolutely beautiful with light clouds in the morning and lovely blue sky in the afternoon. We finished our day with prayer and dinner at the Hotel.

DAY 3

We finally arrived at one of the most important places on our Pilgrimage. We visited the tomb of the Apostle St James. The Cathedral is under restoration, not unlike St. Mary's, so we had a limited view of the inside. It is being prepared for Holy Year in 2021. Our local Tour Guide explained to us the mysteries of Santiago de Compostela. We celebrated An International Mass at the Church of St. Francis with other Pilgrims. Afterwards we had some spare time for ourselves. We finished our day at a lovely Pedra Santa restaurant with some local cuisine. We experienced some difficulties with our dinner in the hotel and had to look for a place at the last minute. It was

not easy but thanks to what I believe to be a 'wee miracle', a local chef prepared a meal for us. It was paid for by an anonymous donor and all the Pilgrims were so grateful for this gesture that they offered to carry a Special Intention in Fatima for our Donor. There are so many people who are so kind to us, even in little things. Offer a prayer in your heart!

DAY 4

We left Santiago and the wonderfully spiritual experience there. Much of our day has been spent on the coach. We slowly shifted our attention from St James and the Camino to Our Lady of Fatima.

It is a long way from Spain to Fatima and on route we were in Pontevedra, where Sister Lucia stayed. Afterwards we moved on to Coimbra where we visited one of the oldest Universities in the world. We visited the medieval cathedral as well. After a long journey, we finally reached our destination Regina Hotel in Fatima. We celebrated Mass in the Chapel of Our Lady of Peace. We listened to very inspiring Homily from our Deacon Thomas Wynne and finished our day with a lovely dinner at the Hotel.

DAY 5

We began our day with breakfast in the Hotel Regina. After some time, we met for the Eucharist in the Chapel of Our Lady of Peace. Tonight, some of us went to the Candlelight Vigil at the Shrine to ask Our Lady for help in their intentions and to thank her for all the good in their lives. Tomorrow, we will attend Mass at the Basilica in Portuguese.

DAY 6

Mass Celebrated this morning on our last day in Fatima. Afterwards we visited the house of the Pastinhos in their village. We prepare for a busy and early start tomorrow.

DAY 7

We begun our day with 7am Mass, although it was optional, our Pilgrims turned up! Great Spirit and Faith among them. We left Fatima and went to see Batalha, where the oldest gothic church is situated on the battlefield where Portugal defeated Spain. Afterwards we went to Nazare to see the Convent and the wonderful coastline. We moved on to Lisbon to have a

bit of individual shopping. In the evening, we went to see the Church built on the place where Anthony of Padua was born and went to see the magnificent Cathedral. As Romans used to say 'The end crowns the work' so we went to a Traditional Portuguese Restaurant for a meal to experience lovely cuisine and local music and dancing! After all this we returned for a final night to the Hotel. Many thanks to all, who followed our journey here on Facebook. We do not know where we go next but if you enjoyed our coverage, maybe you will join us on our next Pilgrimage?



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 COLLECTION: Our next Special Collection will be on 19th/20th October for Missio Scotland (please, do not use the envelope by ticking the correct box). There will be a Retiring Collection (at the back of the Church) for Lepira on the 26th/27th October.

PIZZA NIGHT/YOUTH TRIP: The group is going to meet for a Pizza Night on Friday at 7pm in the Chapel House. I believe politicians call it a working meal. The youngsters are cooking! We have a range of Fundraising Events (including the one attached to this Newsletter!) to help us with the Trip. Details will be announced shortly.

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

FIRST CONFESSION / FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES: We had a meeting last Wednesday. Classes will begin on 3rd November, after Sunday Mass in Mallaig. We will be using the new meeting room once it is completed.

MISSIONS: Pope Francis has asked the whole Church to observe October as an Extraordinary Mission Month. The annual Mission Sunday always falls in October, and Missio Scotland, our own agency for the Missions, has prepared a package about Pope Francis request. Please take one of these packs home. Inside you will find a small collection box which you could use between now and Mission Sunday to gather some money for the Missions, and bring it back here for the collection on that day.

MOIDART MISSION: Bishop McGee will be celebrating Mass in Mingarry at 7pm to end the anniversarial celebrations.

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:

MASS IN THE CLUB ROOM (CHURCH HALL): Please note that the Church will be closed for the time of repairs starting on 2nd September until further notice. Any regular services will be taking place in the Church Hall. Any funerals will be celebrated either in Morar or Mallaig. I am sorry for this inconvenience but during the repairs we have to comply with Health and Safety and guarantee that the place is suitable for public use. Blessed Sacrament will also be removed from the Church.

CLUB ROOM: Many thanks to Iain MacQueen for his help with some joinery work in the Club Room to help with the new appliances. They are going to help the cleaners with the bed changes in the Chapel House.

NEW FLOOR: Works are still ongoing.

BOOKS: I have added some new books to the stall/bookshelf at the back that I recently finished reading. Please feel free to them. There are also some DVD's which have been donated to be shared. If you do not have a DVD Player, there is a Portable one, which is meant to be shared by Parishioners.

MORAR PARISH:

IAIN MACDONALD RIP: We received sad news about Iain's sudden passing. Funeral Mass will take place at St. Patrick's, Mallaig at 12 noon on Wednesday, 2nd October with Reception of the remains the night before at 5.30pm. May he rest in peace.

CHAPEL HOUSE RENOVATIONS: All the materials have been placed on order and some have already started to arrive. Sadly, it can be very difficult to find a good source as deliveries to the Highlands make a lot of choices not possible. Hopefully, once everything arrives, we will be able to begin the works on 7th October.

DRAINS AND FLOOD IN THE GARDEN: Still need to be fixed... Many thanks to Angus 'Tougal' MacDonald for his promise to sort it out... Hopefully sooner rather than later.

BINGO NIGHT: It was very kind of Sine and Gavin to offer us the use of the West Highland Hotel to hold the Bingo for the Parish. It will take place on Friday, 29th November at 7pm. Please, make a note of it in your diary and consider helping out. I will be announcing more details in due course.

NEW CONFESSIONAL/VESTRY: The furniture is going to arrive much earlier than expected so the works will begin shortly. There will be some inconvenience at the back during the installation, but the Masses will continue in the Church. However, due to works beginning shortly, there will be no Funerals held at St. Cumin's until the Vestry is finished.