

Parish Services

BIRTHDAY:

Ad multos annos!

Weekday Services (22nd June – 27th June)

Video Streamed Mass usually at 3pm on Parish Facebook

- Monday Mass in Private
Alan MacDonald – Birthday Mass
- Tuesday Mass in Private
Mhairi MacDonald – Birthday Mass
- Wednesday *Birthday of St John the Baptist* Mass in Private
Jan Pamula – Name’s Day Mass, Father’s Day in Poland
- Thursday Mass in Private
James MacDonald RIP
- Friday *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus* Mass in Private
Elizabeth MacBeth RIP
- Saturday *The Immaculate Heart of Mary* Mass in Private
Magda Sagarzazu RIP

Sunday Mass 21st June (Saints Peter and Paul - Solemnity)

- Easter Sunday 12 noon Mass in Private
Pro populo

Sacrament of Reconciliation (only by prior arrangement, in Morar)

Housebound visits this week..... no visits due to Lockdown

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: James MacDonald 25.06; Elizabeth MacBeth; Magda Sagarzazu;

Eternal rest...



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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**

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

21st June 2020

R) In your great love, answer me, O Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

RE-OPENING OF OUR CHURCHES: Thank you so much for all those who already volunteered and want to help. As the Requirements and cost of adaptation to new Safety measures are going to be significant, only St. Mary’s in Arisaig will be designated as a Church for Private Prayer. We are waiting on supplies to arrive so we will not be ready on Monday yet. I will announce the date once I get a go-ahead from our Coordinator. Anne has taken up this position and has been extremely helpful in making arrangements. We are so lucky to have her!

APPEAL FOR HELP:

As you well know, Coronavirus had a significant effect on our Parishes. Financial impact has been significant and despite our fundraising efforts, we continue to struggle. I have recently applied to the Highland Council for help by making an application for Small Business Grant Scheme. Unfortunately, our application was rejected. I would like to ask for your help in changing the criteria for this type of help to include Charities like ours, which would minimise the financial effects of the lockdown. Therefore, I would like you to write to your Councillors to ask for their support. You can use the template/link below and email/post it to our local Councillors (Ward 11): Denis Rixon (Denis.Rixson.cllr@highland.gov.uk or 8 Fank Brae, Mallaig, PH41 4RQ), Allan Henderson (Allan.Henderson.cllr@highland.gov.uk or The Gantocks, Achintore Road, Fort William, PH33 6RN) and Ben Thompson (ben.thompson.cllr@highland.gov.uk or 2 Erracht, Banavie, Fort William, PH33 7PD).

Also, as per advice from our Councillors, I have attached a template to Kate Forbes MSP, who can be contacted directly from her MSP page (<https://www.parliament.scot/msps/currentmsps/98640.aspx>).

UPDATE: In the response on behalf of Kate Forbes, we have been advised to speak to our Councillors instead. Our appeal has been rejected by the Highland Council. So far, the Parishes have received absolutely no financial assistance from the Government due to COVID-19. Please continue lobbying on our behalf.

PLEASE, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT AS MANY OF YOU AS POSSIBLE WRITE TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

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CANNA, EIGG...: My thanks for fixing the hole on the Church roof! I often think of Norah, who I am assured is keeping well, and the rest of my Parishioners on this remote Island. We mustn't forget about those on Eigg and other small islands. We keep you in our prayers! Thank you so much for your updates and kind messages.

VOLUNTEERS: A slight change in the previous guidance. We previously understood volunteers had to be twixt 18-70 years. We now understand that healthy >70 year olds are fine, so no restrictions there.

Please contact Anne (Craighmor) MacDonald (crofters.bovines@gmail.com) if you would like to volunteer. You will need to fill in an application form available at: <https://www.bcos.org.uk/COVID19/tabid/127/Default.aspx>
Please note that there is a different form for current Safeguarding Volunteers and New Stewards.

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP MCGEE:

Dear brothers,

We will all be delighted to learn that our Churches can reopen for private prayer from Monday 22nd June. I thank you for all you have done to support your people since the beginning of the lockdown. This has not been an easy time for you and I acknowledge your continuing spiritual and pastoral care of your people in a radically different situation.

From Monday our Churches can reopen for private prayer, Requiem Masses and the Sacrament of Reconciliation (not in the Confessional and only in a safe manner). That our people may again pray before the Blessed Sacrament and benefit from Requiem Masses and Confession will bring them great joy, which we all will share in.

I reiterate that no priest should feel obliged to open his Church if he does not yet consider it to be opportune. I fully expect that distinct communities will move at different paces. It may be that you consider your Church ready for private prayer, Requiem Masses and Confessions but alternatively you may consider your Church to be presently ready for only one or two of these possibilities or even none. I would hope that people will be understanding but please know that whatever you decide, presuming you are following the Church's protocols, I will give you my full backing.

Fr Roddy Johnston, our Diocesan Covid-19 Coordinator, has already reminded you that it is essential that any Church which reopens follows exactly the Infection Control Guidance found on the BCOS Website. The Infection Control Guidance was presented by the Bishop's Conference to the Scottish Government. It is only because the Guidance is robust and its implementation nationwide that our Churches can reopen. Naturally, there will be legitimate variations in how different Churches are set out, days and times of opening, pulling resources by concentrating on one Church within a wider geographical area etc. However, the Infection Control Guidance must be followed in its entirety. The virus has merely been suppressed and we will want to play our part in preventing its spread. Therefore, each parish is to find, within the Guidelines, the best way for it to reopen. If a parish cannot do this (e.g. insufficient volunteers), then it is not yet ready to reopen. I hope that the need for new, active participants will nurture a renewal of our parishes and diocese.

Although these past few months have not been short of challenges, we have also experienced many graces. I pray, that as we move forward, we will harness these graces and allow ourselves to continue to be blessed by them.

I give thanks to God that you have all remained safe during the pandemic and I pray for His continuing protection of you.

Yours in Christ,

Brian

Right Reverend Brian McGee

Bishop of Argyll and the Isles