

Parish Services

Video Streamed Mass on Parish Facebook. Please note that Mass Intentions are scheduled to the best of my ability and there could be some last-minute changes (if ex. Someone has an urgent prayer intention. I always try to inform the donor).

Weekday Services (4th December – 9th December)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes times and intentions for each day.

SUNDAY MASSES 9th December / 10th December (2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT – B)

Saturday-Vigil, Sunday, Sunday, Children's Mass (open to everyone). Includes times and intentions.

HOUSEBOUND VISITS: 1st Week (Arisaig); 2nd Week (Morar); 3rd Week (Mallaig); Mackintosh Centre – every 1st Wednesday of the month.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (only by prior arrangement)

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GENEROSITY IN THIS DIFFICULT TIME. FOR ALL ONLINE DONATIONS, ENVELOPES POSTED TO THE CHAPEL HOUSE AND STANDING ORDERS INTO THE PARISH BANK ACCOUNTS.

COLLECTIONS:

Table with 2 columns: Location (Morar and Mallaig, Arisaig) and Amount (e.g., £297.00, £172.00).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: Jack and Mona MacLellan 03.12; John Gillies (Mallaig) 02/12/1977; Elizabeth MacDonald; Sammy Buchanan (died recently); Anne Skea (died recently);

Eternal rest...



HEATING&LIGHTING: In Memory of Elizabeth MacDonald



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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



1st Sunday of Advent (B)

3rd December 2023

Mass Intentions:

Saturday-Vigil Mass: Jack and Mona MacLellan RIP; Sunday 10am: For Parishioners; Sunday 11.30am: John Gillies RIP

ADVENT BEGINS

VISITORS: Welcome to all our Visitors!

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: There are a lot of people not well at the moment and require our constant prayers and support. There are so many people that occupy my thoughts and prayers at the moment. Please. Do not lose your faith in prayer! It works miracles. I am always ready to administer the Sacrament of the Sick whenever you ask. It is not an imposition; I am happy to carry out this ministry. I will always respect your privacy and confidentiality. 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.



## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> December):

23<sup>rd</sup> December - 6 pm, Saturday-Vigil – Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and St. Cumin's, Morar

24<sup>th</sup> December - 10 am, Sunday – St. Mary's, Arisaig

24<sup>th</sup> December - 11.30am, Sunday – St. Patrick's, Mallaig

## CHRISTMAS 2023\*

24<sup>th</sup> December - CHRISTMAS NIGHT MASS:

6 pm, Sunday – St. Mary's, Arisaig

25<sup>th</sup> December - CHRISTMAS DAY MASS:

11 am, Monday - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and St. Cumin's, Morar

\* Participation at Christmas Services does not release Catholics from obligation to attend Mass on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

Christmastide Crib Collection – Holy Childhood. **DO NOT** use Gift Aid Envelopes. Taken at the Crib Baskets only.

6<sup>th</sup> January / 7<sup>th</sup> January for Justice and Peace. **DO NOT** use Gift Aid Envelopes.

**BINGO:** Thank you so much for your participation and involvement. It is a wonderful Parish Event and I am immensely grateful to be a part of it. I know how much preparation and involvement it takes for our volunteers. We raised a magnificent £1170.

**CINEMA DAY OUT:** A lovely outing to Fort William last Tuesday, despite the cold tea (I will have to take your word for it as I never tried it! Perhaps too much chatting beforehand? 😊). Many thanks to Angus for his hospitality and welcoming spirit. Quite a good number of people attended from other Parishes as well.

**ADVENT RETREAT PROGRAMME:** I was able to invite Fr Bernard Fox, a Mill Hill Father and Sister Sally Hyland to lead us in prayer. Our Retreat will take 3 days 12-14 December and will be filled with Spiritual Talks and Guidance for Parishioners. Retreat will consist of Morning Mass with Guidance and an evening meeting in the Club Room in Arisaig. There will also be a penitential service scheduled for Confessions. Our Retreat will have one of the most renowned preachers in Britain among Christian Communities! Mark the dates 😊

**Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December:**

- 10am Mass in Arisaig with Reflection
- 5pm Reflection in the Club Room in Arisaig

**Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December:**

- 10am Mass in Mallaig with Penance Service and Spiritual Talk (opportunity for Confession afterwards)
- 5pm Reflection in the Club Room in Arisaig

**Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> December:**

- 10am Mass in Arisaig with Reflection

**DEVOTIONS:** We will continue with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Litany to the Sacred Heart every Friday after morning Mass.



**MASS CARDS / STALL / CHRISTMAS CARDS:** My thanks to Rita MacDonald for taking on an extra responsibility of looking after our Stalls in Morar, Mallaig and Arisaig. Cathy used to look after the stall for years, quietly making sure we are always well stocked, using mostly her own resources. We have plenty of Christmas Cards this year (too many due to last minute discovery in the cupboard). Cards are very well priced £5 for a box of 18 Christmas cards. Individual Mass cards are priced at £1.50 each. Our stall is not designed to make a huge income, we rather want us to continue with the traditions of the past.

**ADVENT WREATHS:** Many thanks to Lilian Young for preparing the wreaths this year in Morar and Mallaig as well as Peggy Milligan (with watchful eye of Merac and Pat) in Arisaig.

**SAFEGUARDING:** Message from Bishop McGee will be read out this weekend.

**LED BY THE SPIRIT:** very few Parishioners return forms have been handed back to Anne. She has done a wonderful work so far making sure that we follow up on the request of our Bishop. I suppose all I can say is that when the difficult decisions concerning future of our Diocese are made, we will not be able to say that no one has asked for our input. We are however in relatively good condition, and I am looking forward to our Advent retreat. Anne will now prepare a final report for the Bishop.

**WINDOWS IN ARISAIG:** Many thanks to John MacKay and Matthew MacKay who replaced the last 3 single glazed windows in the Chapel House. I cannot believe that we finally managed to replace all the old windows in the Chapel House. Duncan will now have to do some decorating, and this would deplete our investment fund until next season!

**Please check the Mass Rota on the Back Page!**