

Parish Services

Weekday Services (9<sup>th</sup> December – 14<sup>th</sup> December)

Monday, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ..... Morar, 10am

*Donor's Intention*

Advent Retreat (10<sup>th</sup> December – 12<sup>th</sup> December) MEETINGS AFTER MASS IN THE CLUB ROOM

Tuesday, ..... Arisaig, 10am

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Friday, St Lucy ..... Morar, 10am

*James MacBride RIP*

Saturday, St John of the Cross ..... Arisaig, 10am

*Fr George Hutcheon RIP*

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



Sunday Masses 14<sup>th</sup> December/ 15<sup>th</sup>

December 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent (C)

Saturday-Vigil ..... Morar: 6pm

*Vera MacDonald RIP*

Sunday ..... Arisaig: 10am

*Sandy MacDonald RIP*

Sunday, Children's Mass (open to everyone)

..... Mallaig: 11.30am

CHRISTMAS 2024

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

7 pm, Tuesday – St. Patrick's, Mallaig

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

11 am, Wednesday – St. Mary's, Arisaig

HOUSEBOUND USUALLY: (1<sup>st</sup> Week – Arisaig; 2<sup>nd</sup> Week Morar; 3<sup>rd</sup> Week – Mallaig)  
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GENEROSITY: FOR ALL ONLINE DONATIONS, ENVELOPES POSTED TO THE CHAPEL HOUSE AND STANDING ORDERS INTO THE PARISH BANK ACCOUNTS.

**COLLECTIONS:**

Morar/Mallaig:

01.12 ..... £234.00 (incl. Gift Aid £143.00)

01.12 ..... £229.00 (incl. Gift Aid £105.00)

Arisaig:

01.12 ..... £213.50 (incl. Gift Aid £76.00)

01.12 ..... £168.50 (incl. Gift Aid £35.00)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!**



**HEATING&LIGHTING: Donald John Dempster RIP**

**ANNIVERSARIES/MM:** Donald John Dempster; Elizabeth MacDonald; James MacBride; Fr George Hutcheon; Vera MacDonald; Sandy MacDonald 27.11.2013; Jean and Tommy Ewart; Helen MacDonald.

*Eternal rest...*

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# CATHOLIC ROUGH BOUNDS® 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

**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)**

**8<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

*Mass Intentions:*

Saturday-Vigil Mass 6pm (Morar): *Jean and Tommy Ewart RIP*

Sunday 10am (Arisaig): *Helen MacDonald RIP*

Sunday 11.30am (Mallaig): *Wedding Blessings for Jenna and Ryan*



## VISITORS: Welcome to all our Visitors!

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** 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.*

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

- Christmas Crib Collection in December
- 4<sup>th</sup> JANUARY / 5<sup>th</sup> JANUARY – JUSTICE AND PEACE. **DO NOT** USE Parish Gift Aid Envelopes.
- 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY / 19<sup>th</sup> JANUARY – PARISH MAINTENANCE. **USE** Parish Gift Aid Envelopes (if you run out, use an ordinary envelope and mark with your number).

**ADVENT RETREAT:** Fr John Eagers will lead us in prayer this year. Our Retreat will take 3 days 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> December and will be filled with Spiritual Talks and Guidance for Parishioners. Our Retreat will have one of the most renowned preachers in Britain among Christian Communities! After consulting with Parishioners, it was agreed that talks will only take place in the morning after Mass due to early nights and difficulty with driving. We are looking for volunteers to prepare dinner for Fr John on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. He will be staying at Kilmory.

**REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS:** Ronnie Campbell should be attending the Church Roof in Arisaig shortly to fix the slates. John will be working on the Chapel House and Kilmory roof. Recent storms have caused further damage to the walls in the Chapel House and I am really desperate to find a solution to the problem that would lie within our budget. It is just another reason for my sleepless nights... Please remember in your prayers!

**CHRISTMAS HAMPER:** Anne has prepared a lovely hamper in Arisaig. Raffle tickets are available at the back.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS:** Many thanks to Rita for organising a wide variety of Christmas Cards. Boxes are priced for £5 for either 12-pack or 18-pack. There are also so individuals so please, treat the box as 1 item only.

**GRANT APPLICATION:** Lack of proper toilet facilities in Morar has always been an issue so I will be looking to apply for a Grant to convert the existing Boiler Room into a disabled toilet space. We will not know until the end of the year at the earliest to see if the application is successful but hopefully will improve the situation in the future. Grant can only be submitted by communities in Morar area.

**BINGO NIGHT:** It looks like our Bingo will not take place until early next year so not to clash with other events in the area. We are looking for Raffle Prizes. Prizes will be collected in Mallaig Vestry, and you can get in touch with Maureen MacNeil to arrange collections if necessary or drop them off in the Chapel House. We are very grateful to Sine and Gavin for the use of the West Highland Hotel.

**YEAR OF HOPE:** Bishop McGee has asked me to coordinate the Year of Hope in the Diocese. This will involve some extra work and travel. I am looking to organise a Pilgrimage to Rome around September 2025. In preparation for the Year, I have scheduled the Papal Document to be accompanying us on Parish Facebook in preparation for the Year.

**NEW SYMBOL:** Vatican has released the above for the upcoming Jubilee Year.



### Jubilee: 'Recognitio' ceremony held in St. Peter's Basilica

Cardinal Mauro Gambetti, Archpriest of St. Peter's Basilica, leads the "recognitio" ceremony to verify the integrity of the Holy Door, which was sealed at the end of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy in 2016.

By Alessandro De Carolis

A solemn prayer in St. Peter's Basilica followed by the sound of a hammer and chisel breaking through a wall to retrieve the box containing the key that, on the evening of December 24, will allow Pope Francis to open the Holy Door and inaugurate the Jubilee.

The ceremony, held on the evening of December 2, heightened the sense of anticipation for the opening of the Jubilee on Christmas Eve. The *recognitio*—the Latin term for this rite—is performed to confirm that the Holy Door, sealed at the end of the last Jubilee, remains intact and is ready to be reopened for the new Holy Year. Cardinal Mauro Gambetti, Archpriest of the Vatican Basilica, introduced the ceremony with a prayer.

Then, the *sampietrini* (maintenance workers at St. Peter's) dismantled the wall sealing the Holy Door from inside the Basilica and removed the metal box embedded there on November 20, 2016, the day the Jubilee of Mercy ended. Cardinal Gambetti led a procession, accompanied by the chanting of the Litany of the Saints, to the Altar of the Confession, where participants paused for a moment of prayer before proceeding to the Chapter Hall. There, the metal box removed from the Holy Door was opened.

Inside the box were the key to the Holy Door, its handles, the parchment *Rogito* documenting its closure, four golden bricks, and several medals, including those from the pontificates of Pope Francis, Benedict XVI, and John Paul II.

The ceremony was attended by Archbishop Rino Fisichella, Pro-Prefect of the Dicastery for Evangelization, and Archbishop Diego Ravelli, Master of Pontifical Liturgical Celebrations.

They received the documents and items from the *recognitio* and later delivered them to Pope Francis.



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