

Parish Services

Weekday Services (27th January – 1st February)

Monday, no Mass

Tuesday, St Thomas Aquinas no Mass

Wednesday, Mallaig, 10am

Birthday Blessings for Bunty MacDougall (90th)

Thursday, Arisaig, 10am

John Buchan RIP

Friday, St John Bosco Morar, 10am

Teresa MacKenzie RIP

Saturday, Arisaig, 10am

Jackie Milligan RIP

Sunday Masses 1st February/ 2nd February The Presentation of the Lord (C)

Saturday-Vigil Morar: 6pm

Niamh Jobson RIP

Sunday Arisaig: 10am

Jessie Ann MacDonald RIP

Sunday, Mallaig: 11.30am

HOUSEBOUND USUALLY: (1st Week – Arisaig; 2nd Week Morar; 3rd 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:

19.01 £205.00 (incl. Gift Aid £120.00)

Parish Maintenance £201.00 (incl. Gift Aid £90.00)

Arisaig:

19.01 £300.60 (incl. Gift Aid £66.00)

Parish Maintenance £186.00 (incl. Gift Aid £55.00)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT!



HEATING&LIGHTING:

ANNIVERSARIES/MM: John Buchan 30.01; Donald MacDonald 22.01; Teresa MacKenzie 26.01; Jessie Ann MacDonald 23.12; Jackie Milligan; Molly Buchanan 25.01; Pat MacDonald; Frances Morrison (died recently); Niamh Jobson (died recently); Charles and Ann MacKinnon; Angus and Charlotte MacKinnon; James and Mary Cooper; Chrissie McKelvie 02.02; James Manson McLean (Birthday Ann 26.01); Hugh MacPherson 20/01/1968; Alec Gillies 24/01/2020; John Kennedy 31.01.1992.....

Eternal rest...

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Parish website: www.catholicroughbounds.org // Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/catholicroughbounds

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RC Diocese Argyll & Isles – Arisaig & Morar Missions:

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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

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

26th January 2025

6th Sunday of the Word of God

Mass Intentions:

Saturday-Vigil Mass 6pm (Morar): *Molly Buchanan RIP*

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

Sunday 11.30am (Mallaig): *Pat MacDonald RIP*

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:

- 1st FEBRUARY / 2nd FEBRUARY – PARISH MAINTENANCE. **USE** Parish Gift Aid Envelopes (if you run out, use an ordinary envelope and mark with your number).
- 15th FEBRUARY / 16th FEBRUARY – DIOCESAN PASTORAL FUND. **USE** Parish Gift Aid Envelopes (if you run out, use an ordinary envelope and mark with your number).

I hereby declare that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God. This Sunday of the Word of God will thus be a fitting part of that time of the year when we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity. This is more than a temporal coincidence: the celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God has ecumenical value, since the Scriptures point out, for those who listen, the path to authentic and firm unity. The various communities will find their own ways to mark this Sunday with a certain solemnity. It is important, however, that in the Eucharistic celebration the sacred text be enthroned, in order to focus the attention of the assembly on the normative value of God's word. (Pope Francis, *Aperuit Illis*, 3)

Led by the Spirit Collated Report and Bishop's Response

Sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed to Led by the Spirit (LBS). The individual parish reports from LBS Phase 3 have now been collated and published on www.ledbythespirit.rcdai.org.uk Bishop Brian has published his response and a draft Action Plan for implementing LBS's fruits. This can also be seen on www.ledbythespirit.rcdai.org.uk If you wish to be consulted on the Action Plan please join the online meeting for parishioners on Wednesday 19th February at 6.30pm. To register please click on <https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/dECaux-3TfqkzMKeFnyYxw>

Grief to Grace

A Healing Retreat

Restoring Human Dignity

For Those who are Suffering from an Abusive Past



Tuesday 29th April to Sunday 4th May 2025
St Mary's, Kinnoull, Perth

Healing for victims of abuse
Grief to Grace is a specialised 5-day programme of spiritual and psychological healing for anyone who has suffered from sexual, physical, or emotional abuse or neglect in childhood, adolescence or adulthood, including those who are victims of rape, incest or abuse by a religious / member of the clergy. If you are interested in this confidential healing retreat, please contact:
Grief to Grace (Scotland) at margaret.clarke@grieffraganceuk.org

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PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: Save the dates 22nd to 26th September 2025. Departure from Glasgow.

FRANCES MORRISON RIP: With great sadness we are offering our prayers for Frances, who passed away last Tuesday. Her funeral will most likely take place on the 7th February.

FR STAN AWAY: I will be away after Mass on Sunday 26th January and returning 29th January. I will be travelling to Rome to finalise the Pilgrimage arrangements. I hope to celebrate Mass at St. Peter's Basilica at 5pm on the 27th of January if you manage to find the livestream from there. My winter break is scheduled between 10th February and 22nd February (during my Birthday on the 12th). I definitely feel like having to recharge my batteries before the busy summer period. Fr Steve McKend should be providing cover in my absence. I also have scheduled 2 other breaks

(a week in May and my annual break in October) but it was extremely difficult to find someone to supply in my absence despite notice. How many of you when scheduling holidays need to worry about organising job replacement? This is truly becoming a real worry. On one hand, I realise that I need some time off but on the other, if there is no priest to stand in, I would feel the guilt of going away and leaving the place without cover. I will speak to other priests and the bishop soon but from what I heard, I am not the only one in this position in our diocese. Rural area and travel, competition from City Parishes, make it more and more difficult to find a stand-in. It does not help that we cannot use EU priests without a valid working Visa, which makes it prohibitively expensive. I would like to meet perhaps with Parish Councils to discuss the best solution – considering Communion Services led by lay parishioners. I feel particularly distressed about it as no Service can replace the Eucharist! Please, keep me in your prayers as this is extremely stressful for me.

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.

THANKS: to Iain MacQueen for his help with some Fire Safety improvements in the house.

LEAK IN ST. MARY'S: Ronnie Campbell's workmen were here last Tuesday and carried out some repairs. Hopefully no more problems in the Church. Leaks in the Chapel House came back, we will continue to investigate providing John MacKay will have time and patience.

Please check the Mass Rota on the Back Page