

Parish Services

Weekday Services (21st April – 26th April)

Easter Monday,	Morar, 10am
	<i>Helen Kennedy RIP</i>
Easter Tuesday,	Arisaig, 10am
	<i>Ian MacDonald RIP</i>
Easter Wednesday,	Mallaig, 10am
	<i>Blessings for Cathy MacKay</i>
Easter Thursday,	Mass on Eigg
	<i>Donald MacEachen RIP</i>
Easter Friday,	Morar, 10am
	<i>Helen Kennedy RIP</i>
Easter Saturday,	Arisaig, 10am
	<i>Donald MacNeil RIP</i>

Sunday Masses 26th April/ 27th April **Divine Mercy Sunday (C)**

Saturday-Vigil.....	Morar: 6pm
	<i>Marie MacLeod RIP</i>
Sunday	Arisaig: 10am
	<i>Pat MacDonald RIP</i>
Sunday,	Mallaig: 11.30am
	<i>John Dempster RIP</i>

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

COLLECTIONS:

Morar/Mallaig:
13.04£251.00 (incl. Gift Aid £129.00)

Arisaig:
13.04£306.60 (incl. Gift Aid £116.00)

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HEATING&LIGHTING:

In Memory of Niamb Henderson and Caroline Currie

ANNIVERSARIES/MM Niamh Henderson 13.04; Ian MacNaughton 08.04.2014; Ian MacDonald 17.04; Catherine MacDonald (Ardnafuaran) 18.04; David Kyte 24.04.2015; John O'Donoghue; Mima Gillies; Neil Gillies 25.05; Frank O'Donoghue 16.05; Tony Lynch; George Brolly; Marie MacLeod 26.04; Michael Leonard 20.04.2010; Caroline Currie 17.04.1992; Donald MacNeil 03.04.1976; Helen Kennedy; Donald MacEachen 18.03; William Buchanan 23.04.2011; Maimie Trybis 12.05.2009; Pat Macdonald; John Dempster 21.03.1993..... *Eternal rest...*

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DEADLINE FOR THE NEWSLETTER INSERTS: USUALLY THURSDAY, 12 NOON



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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

EASTER SUNDAY (C)

20th April 2025

Mass Intentions:

Easter-Vigil Mass 6pm (Morar): *For Parishioners*
Sunday 10am (Arisaig): *Catherine MacDonald RIP*
Sunday 11.30am (Mallaig): *For Parishioners*

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:

- 26th APRIL / 27th APRIL – PARISH MAINTENANCE. PLEASE **USE** PARISH GIFT AID ENVELOPES.
- 17th MAY / 18th MAY – PARISH MAINTENANCE. PLEASE **USE** PARISH GIFT AID ENVELOPES.
- 31st MAY / 1st JUNE – COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY. **DO NOT** USE PARISH GIFT AID ENVELOPES.

My sincere thanks to those who have helped make the Liturgies of Holy Week all the more special: our readers, Lilian, for music preparation, our Organists Joe and Alison, our sacristans Isa, Peggy, Merac, Mae, Anne, Iain, Maureen, Helen and those who cleaned and prepared the churches. A special thanks to those who organized and arranged the flowers in celebration of the Risen Lord. A big thanks to all who attended our services. God bless you all! Best wishes from my parents to you all!

GRASS CUTTING: I have begun my grass cutting in Morar and just like every year, I am looking for volunteers for Morar and Arisaig. We are lucky with Duncan in Mallaig but if you want to give a hand as well, you can coordinate with him directly. If we decided to use a regular paid service, it would significantly affect our annual budgets. Season requires on average at least 25 cuttings and I am sure you know how expensive it can be for a small garden, whereas we have a much bigger area to cover. Thank you for your help!

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: Morar Parish has received 2 independent notices of interest to purchase the land belonging to the Parish. I have attached the layout in the Newsletter. With this notice I am opening a time of consultation on the matter, which will conclude with a **Morar and Mallaig Parish Council Meeting on the 27th April at 3pm in the Chapel House in Morar.** Arisaig Parish Council Meeting will take place on the 18th May in the Club Room at 3pm. If you have any other items for the Agenda which you would like to discuss, please do feel free to make suggestions. We can also look at any Social events to organise within the year. All regular churchgoers are considered to be members of the Parish Council. I do not see a point in starting several different groups, committees etc. due to the size of our Congregation but we can also discuss the proposal to have a separate Pastoral Council within the Parish (so far Parish Council was fulfilling all of these functions). In this I prefer to follow advice from Wilhelm Ockham that one “must not multiply entities beyond necessity” but we do not always have to do things ‘my way’ so if you have any ideas, do not hesitate to come and speak up. Bishop McGee seems to enjoy the idea of different groups and discussions to have a better idea of what people think. We’ve had years of Discussions on the Priorities of the Diocese, later Led by the Spirit Meetings and Discussions, now the Bishop is asking to discuss the matters as outlined in the Pastoral Letter. We continue to pray for the future of our Diocese and Clergy.

EASTER BREAK: My planned Easter Break will take place between 4th May and 14th May and Fr Gerry MacGuinness, Secretary to the Bishops Conference will provide cover in my absence. Since he can only cover the weekend Masses, there will be no weekday services, and the Churches **will not be available for funerals** during this time.

DISABLED TOILETS: We have signed all the documents and now awaiting the payment from SSE Grant. I think the earliest we can conclude the works will be in October due to other commitments of the contractors.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: Save the dates 22nd to 26th September 2025. Departure from Glasgow. Cost £1200pp. STILL PLACES LEFT! Details at <https://www.catholicroughbounds.org/documents/8029.pdf>

MASS INTENTIONS: The Vatican’s Dicastery for the Clergy issued a decree updating the Church’s norms governing Mass intentions and stipends, emphasizing both proper spiritual understanding and practical solutions for modern pastoral challenges. Pope Francis approved the document — published so far only in Italian — on Palm Sunday, April 13. It will take effect on Easter Sunday, April 20. The decree, which replaces the 1991 instruction *Mos Iugiter*, maintains Canon 945 of the Code of Canon Law, affirming that priests may receive offerings for celebrating Mass according to specific intentions, while introducing significant provisions for “collective intentions.” According to the updated norms, bishops’ conferences or provincial councils may now permit priests to accept multiple offerings from different donors for a single Mass with a “collective intention” but only when all donors have been explicitly informed and freely consented. “Such consent of the donors can never be presumed,” the document states firmly. “In the absence of explicit consent, it is always presumed that consent has not been given.” The decree also reaffirms that offerings for Mass intentions must never be treated as commercial transactions, noting that such practices would constitute simony — the forbidden buying or selling of spiritual things. Cardinal Lazzaro You Heung-sik, prefect of the Dicastery for the Clergy, explained that the new regulations came after “profound consideration” and extensive consultation with bishops, clergy, and faithful worldwide. The document addresses the growing challenge of clergy shortages in many regions, making it difficult to fulfill all requested Mass intentions while preserving their spiritual significance. Bishops are instructed to properly educate clergy and faithful about these regulations and maintain accurate records of Masses, intentions, and offerings. The decree emphasizes that priests should celebrate Mass for the intentions of the faithful, “especially the poorest, even without receiving any offering.” The norms also prohibit substituting promised Masses with simple mentions during liturgies, categorizing such practices as “gravely illicit.” A notable pastoral provision allows diocesan bishops to redirect surplus Mass intentions to parishes or mission territories in need, promoting solidarity within the universal Church. *From Catholic News Agency*

What the document lists, we have already been practising in the Parish and I try to keep an important record of all these Masses and Stipends. However, the reality in Scotland is, that people have forgotten about the importance of Mass Intentions. A lot of priests in our diocese do not receive enough Stipends anymore for the Masses they celebrate. This of course has a huge impact on their financial situation as the Stipends are part of their income, but what worries me more is that we seem to be turning away from this great gift of a Mass Sacrifice. Younger generations do not consider it important. Please, do remind them how important Masses and Intentions are. It is more than simply lighting a candle! Thank you to all who remember about them.

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