



St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

Fir Tree Grove, Carshalton, SM5 4NG

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Sunday Masses: 6.00pm (Sat), 8.30am, 10am & 11.30am

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Holy Days of Obligation: 9.30am & 7.30pm

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 10.30-11.00am & 5.15 - 5.45pm & at call

A warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors



4th October 2020 [Cycle A Year 2]

Twenty Seventh Sunday

Isaiah 5:1-7 | Psalm 79

Philippians 4:6-9 | **Matthew 21:33-45**

**PARABLES
COMMUNICATE
PROFOUND SPIRITUAL
TRUTH AND
CHALLENGE US
DEEPLY.**

Like the first reading, Jesus speaks of a vineyard and the landowner represents God and the vineyard the kingdom of God. God prepared the vineyard well and the tenants were expected to look after it and produce bountiful produce. But they rejected God's messengers who represent the prophets of the Old Testament who were persecuted for warning the Israelites of their sins. The son of course represents Jesus Christ, the only son of God. The leaders of Israel not only rejected God's prophets but even his son, the Messiah, Jesus. The parable foreshadows Jesus' own crucifixion. As a result, Jesus says that the kingdom of God will be given to another people who are the leaders of the church who will tend it and bring forth God's fruit.

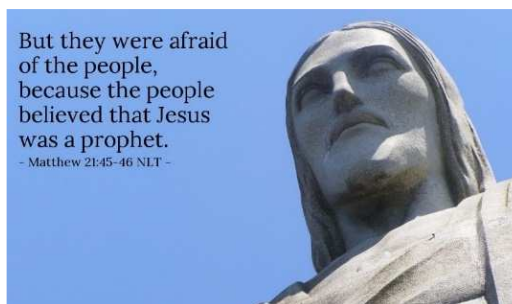
God offers us the chance to work on this creation, this good earth that is only loaned to us for the time we have in this life and which is offered to us freely out of love. We are given the chance to reap an endlessly abundant harvest of love, mercy and forgiveness. Like those in the vineyard, we have choice, we have to choose freely whether to accept or decline God's generous offer. We are tenants today and God has expectations of us to produce the fruits of love mercy and compassion and the values of the kingdom of God. So, we must ask ourselves - what sort of fruits and harvest are we responsible for bringing forth in our daily lives?

Brendan Hudson

Please remember to wear a mask at Mass AND remember to bring your completed attendance card to Mass..

Note: The 9.30am Masses include Morning Prayers (Lauds) and in the week ahead these will be taken from Psalm Week 3.

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Your contributions to this newsletter are also very welcome.



But they were afraid of the people, because the people believed that Jesus was a prophet.
- Matthew 21:45-46 NLT -

Mass Intentions and Diary for the Week

Saturday 3	9.30am*	TBD
<i>Our Lady</i>	5pm	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
	6pm	Uche Family
Sunday 4	8.30am	Anne Wixted (RIP)
<i>Twenty-Seventeenth Sunday</i>	10am*	TBD
	11.30am	People of the Parish
Monday 5	9.30am*	People of the Parish
Tuesday 6	9.30am*	Uchenna Calista Ukaegbu (Thanksgiving)
Wednesday 7	9.30am*	Anthony Obi (DivineHealing)
<i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	8pm	Bible Study in church
	8pm	Intercessory Prayer via zoom
Thursday 8	9.30am*	People of the Parish
Friday 9	9.30am*	Uche Family
<i>St John Henry Newman</i>		
Saturday 10	9.30am*	Patrick Uche (Protection)
	5pm	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
	6pm	TBD
Sunday 11	8.30am	TBD
<i>Twenty-Eighth Sunday</i>	10am*	TBD
	11.30am	TBD

* Masses are streamed at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI2KUNCGnKREz3TWGBy2qzw>

Our Facebook Channel is named 'St Margaret of ScotlandrcCarshalton Surrey'

Goodbye and Thanks to Silvia

After her many years of service at St Margaret's, Silvia is retiring. She has been keeping our church sparkling clean. On behalf of the whole parish, thank you Silvia and best wishes for the future.



Pope's Latest Encyclical 'Fratelli tutti'

Fratelli tutti is dedicated, to "fraternity" and "social friendship". These themes point to what unites men and women: a necessary affection established between people even if not close blood relatives. The relationship must be expressed through kind deeds, forms of assistance, works of justice and generous action in times of need – a disinterested affection towards other human beings, regardless of any difference or affiliation. For this reason, all readers should be able to understand the title Fratelli tutti with the absolutely inclusive connotation that is intended.

Pope Appoints Six Women to Vatican Council

Pope Francis has appointed six women to oversee the Vatican's finances, including Ruth Kelly, the former Labour minister. These are the most senior roles ever given to women within the Catholic church's leadership.

The appointments mark the most significant step by Francis to fulfil his promise of placing women in top positions.



Stella Maris Centenary Mass (4th October)

This year Stella Maris (formerly known as Apostleship of the Sea) is celebrating 100 years of its support to seafarers, fishers, and their families. To mark the beginning of its centenary year a live-streamed Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Philip Tartaglia of Glasgow.

You can share in this very special celebration on Sunday 4th October 4th at 3pm. The Mass will be streamed live at:

www.stellamaris.org.uk/centenarymass

Also note Sea Sunday has been postponed to December 20th 2020.



Baby Loss Awareness Week (9-15 October)

aims to raise awareness of baby loss in the UK. This is a wonderful opportunity to sensitively and compassionately help those in your parish and local community who've experienced baby loss from Abortion, Miscarriage, Stillbirth and Pregnancy loss of any kind. Find out more at:

https://babylossmatters.lifecharity.org.uk/churches/?utm_source=Clergy&utm_campaign=d32e7472ec-BLM+2020+email+2&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_15114554ca-d32e7472ec-1204585445

Altar Servers' Training: A further training session for altar servers will be held at 6pm on Wednesday 14 October on the new socially distanced procedures for serving Mass. This session is for servers who could not make the recent training sessions on this matter. All servers must attend one of these sessions if they are to continue serving on the altar during the period of Covid 19 restrictions.

THANK YOU to everyone who is supporting the parish financially, and thank you to those who normally contribute to the parish by cash and have switched to standing orders and other banking methods. This has made a considerable difference to our finances. Those who have not yet made the change, are kindly asked to consider doing so.

A Parish Pledge Form can be found on our website at: <https://stmargaretcarshaltonb.uk/documents>.

Another way of giving is related to our Sum Up account that was created by the Archdiocese:

<https://GIVEALITTLE.CO/CAMPAIGNS/FDD3732-9EE4-4333-A983-3F5FFE4A8158>

Please share the information in this newsletter with other members of the parish with whom you have contact. Keep safe.

Fr Anthony

"It takes no more time to see the good side of life than it takes to see the bad" Jimmy Buffett (b. 1946) American singer & writer

What is Prisoners' Sunday [11/10/2020]?



Prisoners' Sunday is the national day of prayer and action for prisoners and their dependants as marked by the Catholic Church and across the Christian denominations. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners, their families and children. Prisoners' Sunday

is the time to reflect on how we as individuals, as a Church and as a community are serving those affected by imprisonment.

Prisoners' families, prisoners and people with previous convictions often find themselves on the margins of society due to the social stigma associated with imprisonment. They are often forgotten or come lower down on the list of causes to 'hold a hand out to'. But the gospel of Matthew 25: 36 reminds us of our duties towards them:

"I was naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me."

Pact's work embodies the Christian value of mercy and belief in the innate dignity of every human being. Through this campaign we ask you to engage with a core element of Catholic social teaching and put our faith into action. You can find out more at: parishaction@prisonadvice.org.uk



St Margaret's Bible Study Group

welcomes you to church this Wednesday 7th October, 8 to 9.15pm. We will be studying the

Wednesday Word which you can preview from Monday 5th October at: <http://www.wednesdayword.org/> (click the Parish version). We look forward to you joining us.

Please wear a mask. You will be asked to complete a 'Track & Trace' form. Social distancing will be observed and hand sanitisers will be made available.

Your Invitation to an Intercessory Prayer/Rosary Meeting

The meetings are every Wednesday until 31/03/2021 from 20:00 to 20:40, using Zoom. Use this link to join the meeting:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4498851455?pwd=WjBEbHlwGpCRONTMjJHMzFtZWZz09>

[Zoom Meeting ID: 449 885 1455 Passcode: 4LKWUX]

Prayer requests: Fr Luke (who is recovering from a serious eye infection), Rosie Lopez, Paul Harris, Irma Foster, Fr John Howard, John Ryan (Richard Thomson's brother-in-law), Laura Bannon, Yvonne Wyatt and Margaret Fox.



Pray for the repose of the souls of: Joan Carlton, Patricia Mulholland & Sonia Burrows.

Anniversaries: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur this month, (now shown on the front page of our website).

Editor's note: Please email me with the name of any additional person to be prayed for, at: carshaltonbeechesppc@rcaos.org.uk

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Our parishioner Mr Brian Reddy, Solicitor has recently established a specialist legal practice in Surrey focusing exclusively on Wills, Trusts, Lasting Powers of Attorney and Probate matters. If you would like to get in touch with Brian for a no obligation confidential discussion regarding your Will or associated matters then please call 01483 956789 to make an appointment at your earliest convenience. Home visits and remote appointments via telephone, Zoom, FaceTime etc are available if more convenient. For further information please see the website <https://www.simpsonsolicitors.com/>. All parishioners are eligible for a discount.