



# St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church

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Sunday Masses: 6.00pm (Sat), 9.30am & 11.00am

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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*



23<sup>rd</sup> August 2020 [Cycle A Year 2]

Twenty First Sunday

Isaiah 22:19-23 | Psalm 137

Romans 11:33-36 | Matthew 16:13-20

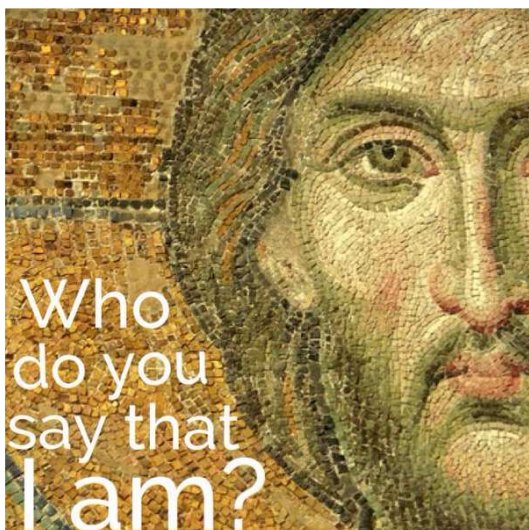
**“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”**

In today’s Gospel Jesus initially asks the disciples “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” The answers are understandable as they reflect the knowledge of God’s presence in the world through the prophets: John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah and others. However, when Jesus asks the disciples directly, “Who do you say I am?” the reply reflects not just their knowledge of the scriptures but their personal relationship with Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Peter’s reply, “You are the Christ the Son of the living God” describes Jesus as the anointed one, the Christ – Saviour and Redeemer. He affirms Jesus as Son of God, a living God, present and active in the world. In these few words Peter is acknowledging that Jesus is who he says he is and that his teaching is true. This confession of faith is followed immediately by Jesus asking Peter to act on this faith and to take it a step further when he gives him the onerous responsibility of leader of his Church, “You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church...”

What is my reply to the question of Jesus, “Who do you say I am?” Is my reply based on a personal relationship with Jesus Christ?

Am I open to the Holy Spirit working in me and in the Church? And am I prepared to step out of my comfort zone in order to follow Christ?

Mary Ryan



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Your contributions to this newsletter are also very welcome.

### Mass Intentions and Diary for the Week

Saturday 22	9.30am*	<b>Heard Family</b>
<i>Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	5.15pm	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
Sunday 23	6pm	<b>James Edward Long (RIP)</b>
<i>Twenty-First Sunday</i>	8.30am	<b>TBD</b>
Monday 24	10am*	<b>Paul &amp; Nermin Ford</b>
<i>St Bartholomew</i>	11.30am	<b>Private Intention</b>
Tuesday 25	9.30am*	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<i>St Louis</i>	9.30am*	<b>Gerald &amp; Pauline Soane</b>
Wednesday 26	9.30am*	<b>Archbishop Peter Smith (RIP)</b>
Thursday 27	8pm	Bible Study via zoom
<i>St Monica</i>	9.30am*	<b>Fr Michael Branch</b>
Friday 28	9.30am*	<b>Theresa Osibamowo (RIP)</b>
<i>St Augustine</i>	9.30am*	<b>Theresa Osibamowo (RIP)</b>
Saturday 29	5.15pm	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
<i>Passion of St John Baptist</i>	6pm	<b>TBD</b>
Sunday 30	8.30am	<b>TBD</b>
<i>Twenty-Second Sunday</i>	10am*	<b>TBD</b>
	11.30am	<b>Theresa Osibamowo (RIP)</b>

\* Masses are streamed at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI2KUNCgNkREz3TWGBy2qzw>

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

**Remember to wear a mask at Mass AND remember to bring your completed attendance card to Mass.** Also note that the church toilets are not in use at the moment.



Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

### Beirut Emergency Appeal

The explosions in Beirut have left hundreds of families with nothing. You

can help them by prayer and donation. To donate:

[cafod.org.uk/donations/one-off? Amount=25& Appeal=121949](http://cafod.org.uk/donations/one-off? Amount=25& Appeal=121949)



Beautiful flower decorations in our church for the Assumption of Mary

## What's New?

Fence and gate now under construction to the left side of the church and a new grey floor in the room upstairs.



### A New Welcome to St Margaret's

The church entrance is being redesigned to provide a warm welcome to every one coming in. Beneath the 'Welcome' (pictured below) there will be a statue of Our Lady.



### Podcasts (recorded audio) from St Margaret's.

A variety of podcasts, such as prayers and reflections, are now available at: <https://stmargarets101.podbean.com/>. If you would like to get involved in making podcasts or writing reflections for this newsletter or the website, please contact Fr Anthony.

### 180 Club-St Margaret's New Constitution

The new 180 Club Constitution is now available to be read on our website within the Documents (>Finance) section.

### Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse

The NBCW, the National Board of Catholic Women is a consultative body to the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales and has consultative status with the United Nations (ECOSOC). It sets out to promote the presence, participation and responsibilities of Catholic women.

The NBCW has just published a document entitled Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse. This document can be found on this website within the Documents (>Safeguarding) section.

### Joe Biden uses his Catholic Faith in a Campaign Ad.

US Presidential hopeful Joe Biden has released a campaign video in which he sheds light on his Catholic Faith. Although raised as a Catholic and still practising, some Catholics are not enthusiastic as they object to his stance on abortion.

### The Pope's Prayer Intention for August: The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

### Becoming a Catholic?

- Would you like to learn about becoming a Catholic?
- Are you an adult who wants to make their 1st Holy Communion or Confirmation?

**Get in touch:** Tel. 020 8669 6483 or email:

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**Anniversaries in August:** Please pray for those who have died in the month of August.

**Prayer requests:** Irma Foster (Charlotte's mother), Fr John Howard, John Ryan (Richard Thomson's brother-in-law), Laura Bannon (Mia's Mother), Yvonne Wyatt and Margaret Fox.

✠ **Pray for the repose of the souls of:** Sonia Burrows, Mary Finnerty & Rosaleen O'Farrell.

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

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

[Our Phone number 02086477748 is temporarily out of service. For now, the number to call is 02086696483.]

We now have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament everyday Monday to Thursday 10.15 am – 12.30pm; on Friday 10.15am – 8.00pm; and on Saturday 5.15pm – 6.55pm (during the Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour).

Thank you all, for all that that you do, and please help the parish to continue to be a caring, loving and prayerful community during these difficult times. With prayerful best wishes. Keep safe.

Fr Anthony

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**\*St George's Cathedral Vacancies** – we currently have available 2 part-time admin vacancies at the Cathedral. For more information please contact

[triciagilbride@stgeorges.org.uk](mailto:triciagilbride@stgeorges.org.uk)

More information can also be found on the front page of our website.

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**GOING STIR-CRAZY? We Know How You Feel! 😊**

**the Seasons Art Class**

**YOUR NEW AUTUMN ART CLASS will cheer you up!**

**NEW COURSE** **IN A SAFE AND SECURE ENVIRONMENT** **EXTREMELY SAFE FOR YOU** **"OVER AND BEYOND ALL GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES"**

**ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS TO IMPROVERS WILL LOVE THIS COURSE!**

- Learn impressive new skills
- Fun, easy, step-by-step
- 3 hour sessions, morning or afternoon, for 3½ months
- Time to get Arty and enjoy a fun social life again!
- Make The Seasons your favourite day of the week

**NEW COURSE CONTACT US TODAY**

**IT'S TIME TO GET BACK TO LIFE AND HAVE SOME FUN AGAIN!**

Call The Change Foundation for more details on:  
0208 835 2116

### \*Meals on Wheels - hot meals delivered to your door

If you or someone you know, are unable or unsafe to prepare a hot meal and housebound, you will be eligible for Meals on Wheels.

All meals are chargeable and the current cost is £3.70 per day. To arrange for Meals on Wheels, please telephone the Contact Centre on 020 8770 5000 and they will take the information needed to set up this valuable service for you

*"To make sure everyone has a decent, affordable place to call home, the Government must match its ambitious rhetoric on ending rough sleeping with the necessary resources to get the job done"*

*Iain Porter of the Joseph Rowntree Foundation*