

THE SACRED HEART & ST MARGARET'S

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HOLY HOUR - Saturdays, 11:00am - 12:00pm [January 2020 - Saint Margaret's - Loanhead]

CONFESSION - before 6pm Vigil Mass [SH] and during Holy Hour Devotion

ROSARY - Every Wednesday before 9:30am Mass at the Sacred Heart Church

CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY - Every Friday before 9:30am Mass at the SH Church

PRIVATE ADORATION - Every Sunday, 6-7pm church open for private prayer [SH]

EVENINGS OF MERCY - First Friday of every Month at 7:00pm at the Sacred Heart Church

FOOD BANK - Every Thursday from 6:00pm to 7:00pm - Michael Room [SH]

MASSES & SERVICES

DAY	MASS TIME	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 4th First Saturday	11:00am Devotion [SM] 6:00pm Vigil Mass [SH]	FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION AT ST MARGARET'S + Kevin McGrory
Sunday 5th The Epiphany	9:30am Mass [SM] 11:00am Mass [SH]	For Parishioners + Annette & John McSorley
Tuesday 7 th	9:30am Mass [SM]	Available
Wednesday 8 th	9:30am Mass [SH]	+ Ann Lane
Thursday 9 th	9:30am Mass [SM]	+ Elizabeth Boyter
Friday 10 th	9:30am Mass [SH]	+ Kevin McGrory
Saturday 11th First Saturday	11:00am Devotion [SM] 6:00pm Vigil Mass [SH]	HOLY HOUR DEVOTION AT ST MARGARET'S + Kevin McGrory
Sunday 12th The Baptism of the Lord	9:30am Mass [SM] 11:00am Mass [SH]	Available + Agnes Mulvey

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK

SACRED HEART		SAINT MARGARET'S	
Offertory	£817.36	Offertory	£189.20
Papers	£3.00	Fabric	£19.00
Candles	£48.10	Candles	£3.80
Stall	£88.15	Donation	£
FOSHSM	£32.00	FOSHSM	£2.21
Spec. Coll.	£	Spec. Coll.	£

Thank you for your generosity!

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2020

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.



THE EPIPHANY BLESSING OF CHALK AND HOMES

It is a powerful blessing that lasts the whole year.

Each year around the feast of the Epiphany many parishes throughout the world participate in an annual blessing of chalk and homes. It is an ancient tradition that not only places God at the entrance of our home, it places our entire family under his protection.

The Epiphany blessing of chalk and homes is a centuries old tradition where priests would visit each home in their parish after the Feast of the Epiphany. Over time it became more difficult to accomplish such a feat as parishes became larger and larger and priests were stretched thin. For this reason it became an accepted tradition that a member of the household is able to lead this blessing in place of the priest.

On Saturday, 4th January after the Vigil Mass at 6:00pm and on Sunday, 5th January, the Feast of the Epiphany, after the 9:30am Mass I will bless chalk and distribute it, so the head of each household can follow the tradition of blessing the home by marking the door lintel or the riser on the top front step with:

"20 C † M † B 20" or "C † M † B 2020".

Epiphany water that will be blessed on the Epiphany Sunday will also be available to take home with the chalk for the house blessing, and the faithful are encouraged to use the Epiphany water for sprinkling the house or apartment, and for blessing the family and the sick throughout the year.

This simple prayer may be prayed while chalking the "20 C † M † B 20":

"MAY ALL WHO COME TO OUR HOUSE THIS YEAR REJOICE TO FIND JESUS LIVING AMONG US, AND MAY WE SEEK AND SERVE CHRIST IN EVERYONE WE MEET! AMEN."

If any parishioner or family from the parish of the Sacred Heart and Saint Margaret's wants the priest to bless their house or flat, please make an appointment with Father Tadeusz, parish priest. I will be more than happy to come and bless your houses.

The Epiphany blessing has biblical roots, deeply tied to the Passover in the book of Exodus. (cf. Exodus 12:1-13)

It is no coincidence that the Epiphany blessing is traditionally written on the lintel of the main doorway and even some of the prayers echo God's words of protection that he gave to Moses. While the Epiphany blessing was not given in the same manner as it was to Moses, the Church provides it for our own spiritual benefit. The Church desires our salvation and so gives us beautiful sacramentals to assist us along the path to Eternal Life.

**DAY FOR EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**
Saturday, 8 February 2020 From 11:00 - 14:30
Gillis Centre
100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB
All ministers of Holy Communion are encouraged to attend this meeting.

FAMILY MASS

Next *Family Mass* will be held on Sunday 12th January at 11:00am at Sacred Heart Church and will be followed by cake and coffee in the Michael Room. All welcome!

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today, a special collection is taken up for the work of **Justice and Peace**.

† FUNERAL ARRANGEMENT FOR Anne Donoghue

Anne Donoghue died on 30th Dec. 2019 at the age of 90.

Requiem Mass for Anne Donoghue will take place at Sacred Heart Church on Thursday 9th January 2020 at 1:00pm and thereafter to Kirkhill Cemetery at 2.15 pm.

Please remember Anne Donoghue and the family in your prayers at this difficult time.

May she rest in peace!

NATIVITY CRIB - CARE FUND

All offerings made to the basket at the manger during Christmas Season are entirely allocated to the Care Fund. Thank you for generosity.