



# The Church of the Visitation, Taynuilt

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Newsletter for the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6<sup>th</sup> July 2025

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Sunday Mass**  
Sunday at 4 pm

**Weekdays**  
Mass on Wednesday at 10:30 am  
1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month Mass in Craig Lodge at 12:30 pm

**Confessions**  
Sunday 3:20 pm  
before Mass

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## Mass

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month parish Mass is celebrated in Craig Lodge Community at 12:30 pm**

A warm welcome to all our visitors to The Church of the Visitation. We are glad you worship with us, may almighty God bless you. Please, join us after Mass on Wednesdays for Tea/Coffee. Our gratitude goes to our parishioners who made this possible, God bless you!

**Peters Pence:** Thank you so much for Peter's Pence collection, the yearly collection that help support the Holy See and its charitable initiatives, enabling the faithful to show their solidarity with the Pope and contribute to the needs of the Universal Church. We raised **£30.00**

**Highland Games:** "The annual fundraising stall for the parish at the Highland Games is on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July this year. We will need donations of home made produce like jams, chutneys, home baking, home grown plants and vegetables as well as raffle style prizes. There will be sign up sheets at the back of the church from today.

Many thanks for your support."

**Papal Nuncio:** The Papal Nuncio Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, is making a pastoral visit to every diocese in Scotland, England and Wales. He will be visiting Argyll and the Isles from Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025. The Nuncio will visit our deanery on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July, Mass will be in the Cathedral, Oban at 5pm. All are invited.

**Stella Maris:** Next Sunday is Sea Sunday, Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) This is the day when the Church comes together to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, and takes a second collection to support the work of Stella Maris. The volunteer will read out the appeal (which Stella Maris will provide) at the end of Masses.

### **The collections for last Sunday**

Standing orders **£45.00**

Offertory **£84.14**

Peter Pence **£30.00**

### **2025 Centenary Pilgrimage to Pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair**

The 2025 Centenary Pilgrimage to pray for the Beatification of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair will take place on Sunday 21 September from 12.30-6pm at St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NA. 12.30-1.30: Refreshments & sale of candles/goods; 1.30-2.30: Holy Hour; 3.00-4.00: Reflection; 4.30: Holy Mass concelebrated with Archbishop Cushley. Confessions available all day.

## **REFLECTIONS**

### **One-man army for Christ**

The story of St. Philip Neri, who earned the title “Apostle of Rome” in the 16th century, is an example of the missionary zeal demanded by today’s Gospel. Philip came down to Rome in the early 1500s as an immigrant from Florence and a layman. When he arrived, he was horrified by the physical and moral devastation of the city.

Rome had been sacked in 1527 by the Germans who had left much of the city in ruins. The Gospel wasn’t being preached, and many priests and cardinals were living in open defiance of Christ’s moral teachings. Philip prayed to God to learn what he might do. He read the letters that St. Francis Xavier had sent back to Europe from

India, where he had been converting tens of thousands. Philip thought that God was calling him to follow the great Basque missionary to India, to give his life in proclaiming the Gospel.

When he went to his spiritual director and told him what he thought God was asking of him, the wise old priest affirmed his desire to serve and bear witness to Christ. However, he told Philip to focus his attention on re-evangelizing those around him, declaring, “Rome is to be your India!” This was quite a task for one man. But Philip, relying on God’s help, started — first as a layman, then as a priest — to convert Rome, one person at a time. He would cheerfully go to street corners and say, “Friends, when are we going to start to do good?” He developed various entertaining social and religious activities to give the people, especially the young people, better alternatives for their hearts and time than those offered by the debauched culture around them. His impact was enormous, and when he died in 1595, much of Rome had been reconverted.

The same God who spoke to Philip almost five hundred years ago challenges each one of us this morning through the Scriptures, “Your home and your family, your workplace and your parish are your mission field!”

( *Fr. Anthony Kadavil* )