

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 10th December

11am - 1pm Pop up & reach out at ASDA car park
4.30 Confessions 5.30 Vigil Mass

Sunday 11th December. 3rd Sunday Advent (A)

9 & 11am & 5.30 Mass 1pm Funeral appointments
10am - 1pm Christmas Crafts, Tombola and raffle

Monday 12th December Our Lady of Guadalupe

ALL CLOSED 10 - 11.30 Breakfast Club

Tuesday 13th December St Lucy 10.00 Mass

11.30 - 3pm Tuesday Club
3pm Wedding Rehearsal (University)
6.30pm Wedding Rehearsal (Parish)

Wed 14th Dec St John of the Cross 10am Mass

In the evening of life,
we will be judged on
love alone.

St. John of the Cross

4pm Fabric & Finance Team meeting
6pm RCIA group 1; 7pm RCIA group 2

Thursday 15th December

PLEASE NOTE: No Mass at 10am

9.30am Funeral Mass Bernadette Johnstone RIP
(*St Vincent's East Kilbride)

'Warm Welcome' 10.30 - 4pm

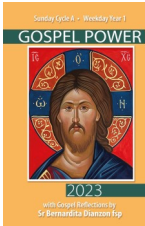
Friday 16th December

10am Mass (followed by cleaning)
10 - 4pm Foodbank collection ASDA Bishopbriggs
7pm Panto outing

Saturday 17th December

4pm Wedding of Lucy Weir & Simon Craig
Glasgow University Memorial Chapel
(4.30. *note; no confessions. On request)
5.30 Vigil Mass including the Wedding of Rosa
Armida Mejia & William Hernandez

GOSPEL POWER very popular especially pre covid! Offering a limited number available for sale this year. The book starts on January 1st. Get yours asap (Nice stocking filler?)



PARISH HALL £30 per hour. Evening function/ Baptism £120. Children's party £75. Wedding (Full day) £200. Check our hall page on the website for terms & conditions and you can download a booking form. Dedicated phone No. on back of bulletin



RCIA this new Church Year we are preparing with 10 people journeying towards the sacraments next Easter. We're blessed in so many and so young! Pray for them.



FINANCE We are negotiating a recalculation of our levy. Calendar bill is £3,000 - please shift these for us! Other expenditure denting our funds. Thanks for your ongoing generosity.



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, MARYHILL.



PARISH PLANNING CALENDAR 2023 Available TODAY! Please help us get these out to every home in the parish - 1500 of them! £2 each; 3 for a fiver or 6 for a tenner! If you can't pay - then just take them anyway!

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS From Fr Jim to everyone locally but also detailing our Christmas service times and information. Take a bundle and spread far and wide. Let's get back to having a normal Christmas this year

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS (1) Why not come to weekday Mass if you can? (2) There will be a penitential service on Dec 20th at 7pm and a cuppa in the hall to catch up after - make it a date. Further events to follow

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All are welcome, none are judged
THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT YEAR A

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

GAUDETE - "REJOICING" - SUNDAY



Fir Reading: Isaiah 35:1- 6, 10.
God himself is coming to save you!

Responsorial Psalm 145
Come Lord and save us.

Second Reading: James 5:7 - 10
Do not lose heart; the Lord
is coming very soon

Prepare ye the way of the Lord
Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Gospel: Matthew 11:2 - 11.
What did you go into the wilderness to see?



Advent is a time of waiting. John the Baptist has been patiently waiting for the Messiah and sends messengers to ask Jesus if He is the One he has been waiting for. Jesus replies that the people should look at the signs of healing, raising from the dead and the bringing of the Good News. Jesus is the fulfilment of the prophets! Do I see the signs of God's presence in the world today? Am I 'seeing' as Jesus told his disciples? This Advent may my eyes be open to the signs of God's presence in the world today.



POP UP CHOIR David Galloway will be playing the organ at the family Mass 11am on Christmas Day. Any young people keen to sing a few Christmas songs on December 25th? Wait after 11am Mass for 10 minutes - **WEDDINGS** Congratulations next Saturday to Lucy Weir & Simon Craig at Glasgow University Memorial Chapel. Then at the Vigil Mass, our El Salvadorean couple, Rosa Amida Mejia and William Hernandez. Every blessing on all 4 for the future.



FUNERALS Please pray for Catriona & Stephen on the loss of their wee baby, Jack Archer. (Funeral 19th Dec.) For Bernadette Johnstone - friend of Fr Jim - funeral Wed 15th (St Vincent's, E.Kilbride). Marjorie McIntosh RIP funeral Dec 22nd. Remember Margaret Campbell & Phil Curran buried last week & their families. May they rest in peace. **HALL CURTAINS** have gone back up. Parents; don't let kids swing on these! **FOODBANK HAMPER** donations of groceries/toiletries for foodbank.



FOODBANK APPEAL The collection last week - with a top-up from St Anthony - came to £2,500. Thanks for your Christmas treats in the hamper; so lovely & generous! **FIRE CLOUD NATIVITY 2022: 'To Bind up the Broken Hearts'**: Christmas story in music, drama & light. Sun 18th Dec, 7pm (Doors open 6.30pm) St. Margaret's Church, Clydebank. Donations welcome at door. Mulled wine, mince pies in hall afterwards.



Christmas Craft mini fete & Tombola. Beautiful hand made craft gifts, baking, tombola and gifts available after both Sunday Masses this weekend and open to everyone! Come and get a bargain and support the parish! Sunday 11th 10 - 1pm. NOTE we can only accept cash or cheques - no cards!

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Was celebrated with our Archbishop last Thursday. Even though it was a freezing night, grateful so many come to meet him. Big thanks to all involved in preparing and ministering at the liturgy and our huge hospitality team for food and drink



St Nicholas Care Fund
SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY

Gaudete Sunday; Advent week 3 (A) The liturgical colour changes from purple to rose and our hearts leap with joy that Christmas is closer! 2nd collection today is for the St Nicholas Fund, founded by Cardinal Winning to help support projects serving Glasgow's poorest.

WARM WELCOME. Tea & coffee after Mass. Lunch for everybody; spread the word, bring pals & grandkids. Tea & buns be4 school run? Coffee chat, community **KEEP THE FREEZE.** Living Rent, Scotland's tenants' won a rent freeze & eviction ban, yet landlords are threatening to overturn reforms; share testimony to show how much we need the freeze to continue. Details - J & P Scotland Campaign of Month.

FAITH IN ACTION

GOOD NEWS! Environment success, 2022: targets in Scottish government's Economy Bill before Parliament; a ban on new incinerators & decommissioning; single-use plastics banned. www.foe.scot. **REFUGEE WEEK 2023.** 25th anniversary June 19th - 25th, (in parish calendar) a celebration of what compassion looks like in action; creative responses in how arts & culture widen circles of compassion; www.scottishrefugeecouncil.org.

ADVENT PRAYER



WALKING TOGETHER IN ADVENT: *Listening to the voices of Heroes and Heroines of the Infancy Narratives in the Gospel and voices from the Synod experience.* Led by Fr James Hanvey SJ, Ignatian Spirituality Centre, 35 Scott St, 7.30pm - 9.00pm. **Mon 12 Dec:** Mary & Elizabeth & Women's Voices. **Tues 13 Dec:** Joseph: Fatherhood and the Church. **Thur 15 Dec:** Simeon & Anna - Voices of the Elderly. Each evening Fr James will give a presentation followed by a listening exercise & time for prayer. *James Hanvey SJ is Secretary for the Service of the Faith, General Curia of the Society of Jesus, & co-chair of the commission on Spirituality for the Synod.* It would be great if some of us could go!

2nd collection today for Pastoral Care Trust. **Sunday 17th Dec** no 2nd Collection
24th/25th Dec Christmas No 2nd collection but voluntary Christmas bucket collection as you leave



Is your child registered for the Sacraments?

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