



**STOP THE
WAR ON
GAZA!
FREE PALESTINE**

Keep the pressure up. Message MP's calling for an end to the bombardment of Gaza; Oxfam has put together powerful messages: super easy - www.oxfam.org.uk/get-involved/campaign-with-oxfam/send-your-mp-voice-messages-from-gaza/.

Jesuit Refugee Society calls to #Do1Thing to support refugees and help overcome what Pope Francis has called "the globalisation of indifference" - advocacy, inspiring solidarity, prayer/reflection, partnering - ideas at www.jrs.net/en/campaign/do1thing/

UN Human Rights Day. 10 Dec is 75th anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights, groundbreaking global pledge to enshrine inalienable rights of every human being; www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day.

Better buses. 15 Dec, SPT meets to develop Strathclyde Region Bused to bring them into public control; petition at: megaphone.org.uk/petitions/take-strathclyde-s-buses-back-into-public-control.

Farm for Scotland's future. Many farming practices cause pollution, severely deplete our wildlife. New Scottish agriculture legislation we can use £500 million annual subsidies to work for nature, climate & people; sign the petition: www.wwf.org.uk/scotland/agriculture/act.



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Postal address 2049, Maryhill Road, Glasgow G20 0AA **Tel** 0141 946 2071 **Sunday Mass** 5.30 (Vigil) 9.00a.m., 11.00am & 5.30pm **Sacrament of Reconciliation** Saturday 4.30 - 5.00; on request **Weekday Mass** Mon—Fri (only) 10am **Email** immaculateconception@rcag.org.uk

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Parish Diary

Saturday December 9th

4.30 Confessions; 5.30 Vigil Mass

Sunday December 10th - Advent II year (B)

9am Mass; 11am SPRED family Mass (also with Children's Liturgy)

12 noon Christmas Tea and book signing

12 noon Baptism of Stella Dundas

12.30 Renewal of Wedding Vows for

Guiliana & Vincenzo di Carlo

5.30 Evening Mass

Monday December 11th 10am Parish Mass

10-11.30 Breakfast Club

12 noon funeral appointments

Tues December 12th Our Lady of Guadalupe



10am Eucharistic service

12 noon -3pm Tuesday Club Christmas Party

Wednesday December 13th; St Lucy

NOTE no 10.00am Mass

11.30 Funeral Mass of Giuseppina Inglis RIP

Thursday December 14th St John of the Cross

10am Eucharistic service

Warm Welcome (hall) 10.30 - 2.30

Including St Blanes Christmas choir (11.30)

Friday December 16th 10am Parish Mass

Saturday December 17th

10.30 - 1pm Pop-up Christmas café (ASDA)

12.30 Baptism of Cameron and Isla Doris

4.30 Confessions; 5.30 Vigil Mass

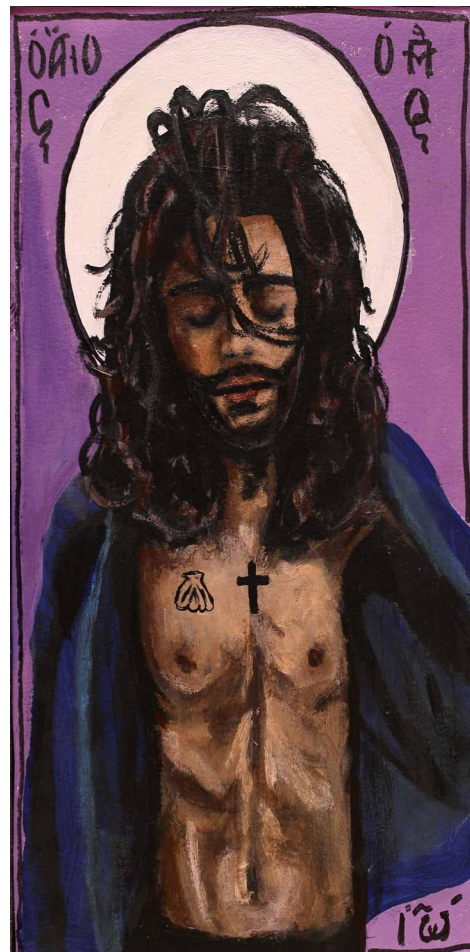
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PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD



Sunday evening Mass for our "Young Team" currently or soon sitting prelims. Come along - bring your pals - any school or any faith! Pizza & pakora party after! (Thanks to Jacqui, Nic & Riccardo at the Chip Chik Inn

**Its
Exam
Time...**

Christmas Raffle, last chance. Tea & cake & Book signing - all TODAY. Swing by at noon in the hall



Stuff to collect! Remember your Christmas cards. Free copy of Flourish. Pick up a wee box for the Pastoral Care Trust. *Western Calendar* and *Gospel Power* also on sale!

REMEMBER

Front cover is a modern icon of John the Baptist by US artist Gracie Morbitzer

All are welcome, none are judged
www.immaculateconception.org.uk
Second Sunday Advent Year (B)

LITURGY OF THE WORD Second Sunday of Advent Year B



Prepare
the way
of the
Lord

Reading I: Isaiah 40:1- 5 ff

The glory of the Lord will be revealed and all will see it!

Responsorial Psalm 84

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy,
and give us your saving help

Reading II: 2 Peter 3: 8 - 14

We are waiting for the new heaven
and the new earth

Gospel: Mark 1:1 - 8

A voice in the wilderness cries;
Prepare the way of the Lord

evangelise+

Advent pop up. TWMM Together we make Maryhill! We'll be at the Ada shops NEXT SATURDAY, Dec 16th with our pop-up café and Christmas outreach, inviting everyone to think about the real Christmas message. We need help in (1) preparing packs, candles etc. Come to the Warm Welcome, give us an hour, get fed and help us reach out. Also (2) come and help on the stall on December 16th, 10.30 - 1pm, even for a little - it's actually good fun! . Can you speak to Catherine, Iona or Fr Jim?

DIOCESAN NEWS

ADVENTure: Advent Prayer Evening: Tues 12th Dec. FireCloud - an Advent evening of adoration, reconciliation & music. Tues 12th Dec, 7-8pm, St. Margaret's, Clydebank. All welcome.

FireCloud Nativity 2023 'For those who Wait': The Christmas story brought to life in music & drama. Sun 17th Dec, (6.30pm for 7pm) St. Margaret's, Clydebank, G81 1AE. Tues 19th Dec, (6.30pm for 7pm) St. Flannan's, Kirkintilloch, G66 2HY. Suggested donation £4 (£10 per family) - or whatever you can afford. Tea & coffee afterwards.

The Co-Op Band Christmas

Concert: unforgettable evening of festive music Fri 15th Dec 7:30pm, hosted in St Philomena, Provanmill. Tickets Adult £10 for under 16s £5 (incl refreshments) available via Eventbrite or at the door. See St Philomena's Parish Church Facebook page, 1255 Royston Rd, G33 1EH

Flourish: FREE Advent/Christmas edition out now. Special edition - updates on future parish provision; have your say on Glasgow's new Catholic Museum; tips on how to evangelise; read a letter from our twin city of Bethlehem. Reflect with Pope Francis' on the 800th anniversary of the first crib!. Online edition at <http://flourishnewspaper.co.uk>

Job Vacancy Abortion Recovery Care & Helpline (ARCH) FT Operations Administrator to join Glasgow team based. To find out about us & go to: www.archtrust.org.uk

Contact Louise for application then please contact louise@archtrust.org.uk Closing date: 18th December. FT requests will be considered if two promising candidates emerge.



SPRED Family Mass this Sunday at 11am Mass. Welcome all friends, catechists and families. They'll join us in the hall afterwards.

Christmas hampers raffle & 6 runners up. Tickets £2 a strip/3 strips £5. Raffle after 11am Mass TODAY 10th at 1pm (at festive teal) - few craft goods on sale.

Book Signing

Parishioner Gillian Sheriffs signing & selling her novel, *Brodie*. (discounted @ £10) There'll be guests from the Beatson charity & Gillian's publisher!

Tuesday Club having its Christmas Party this week; closing for Christmas period



has enabled 2 people now trained to run a programme for the bereaved. Now working out how best to launch in 2024

Timetable disrupted this week - Fr Jim has some general anaesthetic & surgery. Please follow schedule

Funerals. Please remember Giuseppina Inglis RIP (F Dec 13th) Note later time; Mass celebrated by her relative Canon Gerard Tartaglia. Condolences to James & family. June McBrearty RIP has died suddenly. Her funeral will be on Dec 21st. Pray for the family of Char-



lie Reid, funeral last week.

Baptism This week we welcome Stella Dundas. Congratulations to this family!

Care of the Sick Are there people no longer able to get to Mass who would appreciate Holy Communion at home. Speak to Fr Jim?

Calvary Memorial A plaque by the Calvary records those whose ashes are scattered there. This needs updated. Are there names to add?

Gospel Power (£7) scripture reflection for every day of 2024. Available but limited number so get yours asap. (Pay in box at card rack)

Western Catholic Calendar Year book of dioceses of Paisley, Motherwell & Glasgow. Full of info - £3.50 (Pay in card rack box)

RCIA for younger adults We've had enquiries from teenagers - looking to make First Communion & be Confirmed. Speak to us soon to support you in New year.

Keeping safe We've a new grit spreader & there's salt in bin by chapel house. If you're here early enough feel free to spread some salt and keep each other safe!

Christmas sing-a-long! St Blanes are bringing a choir to the Warm Welcome to help us get some festive spirit, Thur 14th Dec at 11.30 - see you there!



Parish Christmas Card to reach folk who no longer come, inviting them home for Christmas. Take as many as you can for family, friends & neighbours. *The wooden carving of Mary & Jesus is by the same French monks who carved our statue of St Joseph.*



Penitential service Will be on Tues 19th Dec at 7pm followed by teas & coffees. It's a lovely prayerful eve so please mark your calendar

Parish Calendar running late but it'll be with you next Sunday. Jammed full of events, we need your help to get it on the streets asap!

Christmas Masses - 3 celebrations on Christmas Eve/Day - get a card today with the full details. Please DO NOT come to the 5.30 Christmas eve Mass; it is for young children!

Stewards for Mass Minimum of 6 needed for each Mass to welcome people, take up collection; ALSO clear up after, distribute brochures & calendars. Sign up in porch

Preparing Church harder as Christmas Eve is Sunday. Decorating w/c 11th Dec ?

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