

# St Columbkille's Rutherglen

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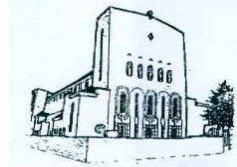
## CLERGY

Parish Priest: Fr. Pat Hennessy

Assistant Priest: Fr. Bernard Mournian

In Residence: Fr. Stephen Reilly

Deacon: Rev. Bill McMillan



## Second Sunday of Advent Saturday 9th /Sunday 10th December 2017 Parish Services this week

### Mass

Monday to Friday	10.00 am and 1.00 pm
Saturday	10.00 am & 5.30pm (Vigil)
Sunday	9.00 am, 10.30 am, 12 noon & 4.00 pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday to Friday	9.30 am to 9.55 am
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### Day of Prayer in Preparation for Christmas

With Eucharistic Adoration and Sacrament of Reconciliation

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.30 am to 5.15 pm</b>
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### Morning Prayer of the Church

Monday to Saturday	9.40 am before 10.00 am Mass.
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### Weddings

Please see any of the clergy after the Sunday Masses to make an appointment.

### Baptisms

Please contact Deacon Bill (07767-290840) to make an appointment.

For more information see the website [www.stcolumbkille.org.uk](http://www.stcolumbkille.org.uk)  
A Parish of the Diocese of Motherwell—Charity No SC011041

**Last Week's Collections: 1st - £1820; 2nd - £1368 in aid of the Building Fund. This week's and next week's Second Collection is for the Building Fund.**

**Today's Readings:**

**First Reading:** Is 40: 1-5, 9-11.

**Second Reading:** 2Pt 3: 8-14.

**Gospel:** Mk 1: 1-8 (5).

**Morning Prayer of the Church for this week**

Morning Prayer begins on Mondays of Advent P 344 with the Hymn and Psalms from Week 2 P 105

**Readings for next week, Third Sunday of Advent**

*First Reading:* Is 61: 1-2a, 10-11; *Second Reading:* 1Thes 5: 16-24;

*Gospel:* Jn 1: 6-8, 19-28 (8).

**Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for December 2017**

**The Elderly :** That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

**Christmas Services—Parish Christmas Card**

A Parish Christmas Card is available as you leave the Church today. This gives details of all Services over the Christmas period in the Parishes of Rutherglen. Please take one and keep it safe for reference over the Christmas period. Please also take copies for families, neighbours and friends who may not recently have attended our Parish.

**Parish Fund-raising Calendars**

**St Columbkille's 2018 Calendar** will be on sale in the Church porch after all weekend Masses, price £5.00. All profits will go to the Parish Building Fund to help reduce our debt.

**Ministries for next week, The Third Sunday of Advent**

	<b>Readings</b>	<b>Prayer of the Faithful</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
<b>Vigil</b>	J Lydon	Patrick McLaughlin	Catherine Stirrat Gerard Welsh
<b>09.00</b>	W Welsh	Hannah Weir	Jim Rundell Monica Toner Patricia Deighan
<b>10.30</b>	Owen McCauley	Marion Campbell	Isabel McCormack Robert McNamara Marie Tedeschi
<b>12.00</b>	Brian Dignam	Patricia Kennedy	Evelyn Kearney Patricia Kennedy
<b>16.00</b>	Sinead Cowan	Neha Tomy	Aaron Smith Paul Flynn

## Parish Diaries

Diaries for 2018 are now on sale at the back of the Church—price £1. These are an excellent size for pocket or bag, and very useful.

## **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER**

In preparation for the Carols by Candlelight concert we require some help moving chairs from the Hall to the Church. We will meet in the Hall after the 10.00 am **Mass on Tuesday 12th December**. Please put your name on the list at the back of the Church if you can help.

## **GREENERY TO DECORATE THE CHURCH**

Calling all Parishioners who have a garden! Do you have any **Holly, Ivy or other greenery** which could be used to decorate the Church. If so, please leave some at the back of the Church as soon as you can. In addition—if anyone has any spare **red or gold baubles** we would make very good use of them on our Christmas trees in the Church. Just leave them at the back of the Church for **Sunday 10th December**.

## **Parish Trip to Perth UPDATE**

The Parish Trip to Perth will take place on **Thursday 14th December 2017**. Leaving from the Hall carpark at 09.00 am. Shopping in Perth city centre; Mass at Kinnoul Monastery; Festive Lunch at Scone Palace followed by a tour of the palace. We will leave Perth at 4.45 pm.

## **Carols by Candlelight**

To be performed by the **Bothwell Philharmonic** and the **Primary 5, 6 and 7 classes of St Columbkille's Primary School** on **Tuesday 12th December at 7.00 pm** in the Church—followed by Festive Refreshments in the Hall including Raffle. **Concert Tickets : FREE** but please leave a donation on the night.

## **The Wayside Club**

The SSVP will have their annual Christmas collection for The Wayside Club on **Sunday 17th December**. Small items such as socks, toiletries etc would be much appreciated. To assist in distribution The Wayside Club would prefer that donations are **not** “Gift Wrapped”. SSVP boxes will be “covered” and there will be a collection for The Wayside Club.

## **Modern Slavery**

Most of us are aware that there are many instances world wide of desperate people being trapped into what is effectively slavery by the promise of jobs in another country. Official sources say that this is happening in every post code in Britain. Motherwell Diocesan Catholic Men's Society have provided more information on this ion a leaflet from Action of Churches Together in Scotland which is on the notice board in the Church Porch or you can visit [www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/advice-for-victimim-of-crime/human-trafficking](http://www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/advice-for-victimim-of-crime/human-trafficking)

## **CHEWING GUM**

Please **do not chew gum** in the Church but dispose of it appropriately before entering and ensure children do the same. **We are experiencing great difficulties cleaning discarded gum from the Church building and floors.**

**Give music this Christmas NOEL Christmas music by COLUM**  
**£5 each CD or £12.00 three.** Available from Stall or any member of COLUM.

### **Knitted Crib**

There will be a raffle for a knitted crib next weekend (Saturday 16th / Sunday 17th) before and after all Masses. Donation £1.00. All proceeds will go to SCIAF for their work with refugees.

### **St Columbkille's Primary Christmas Fayre—Thank you!**

St Columbkille's Parent Council would like to thank everyone for supporting our recent Christmas Fayre. With your help we raised a staggering **£4226** which will benefit **all** the children in our school. Thank you for your generosity.

### **300 Club**

#### **December 2017 Christmas Draw Winners:**

1st Prize (£500) No 351      A Wilson  
2nd Prize (£250) No 152      A Gillespie  
3rd Prize (£100) No 267      M Mount

A big **THANK YOU** to all Members and Collectors who contributed so well during 2017. The **net** amount made for the Building Fund this year was **£3052**. **Collectors** : New books will be available in the sacristy in January. Dates advised later. **New members required**. Join the Club and help towards the cost of church repairs. Please contact Rosaleen Anderson (647 23010 or leave your name with one of the Priests.

### **Please remember in your prayers:**

#### **Baptism**

We welcome **Mhirren Doherty** into our community this week. We pray that God will make this special occasion grace-filled for her family.

#### **Sick**

Peter Tierney; Maureen Britton; Laurence Buchanan; John Wilson; Mary (May) Boyle; Denise Rankin; Linda Connors; Margaret Rose Bruce; Margaret Cameron; Linda McGillvery; James Ryan; Nicola Waugh; Theresa Orr

#### **Recently Deceased**

Stephen Barr; Rose McDermott; Claire Loughran (age 5yrs); Nancy McColligan; Catherine Kelly; Agnes McDonald; Mary Traynor; Gerald Duffy; Joan Cusack (Ireland) Louise Muir; Mrs Laurie; Michael O'Hara Shug Lynch; John Timmons; Elizabeth Thomson (**Funeral Mass 10.00 am Wednesday 13th December**)

#### **Anniversaries**

Dan and Annie Tonner; Charles Downey; Catherine McLaughlin; James and Mary Ann McCarney; John and May McCarney; John and Mary Campbell; Anne Welsh; Bernard Flynn; Mary (Mullen) Thomas; Jimmy and Cissie McArthur; Jim and Marianne Halferty; Nada Quigley.