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Rev. Michael Ross (Deacon)



3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11TH/12TH DECEMBER 2021

HOLY MASS (Services marked in red will be live-streamed)

Monday - Friday:- 10am, 1pm

Saturday:- 10am; 4pm (Vigil)

Sunday:- 9am; 10.30am (Children's Liturgy);

12 noon & 4pm

FUNERAL MASSES THIS WEEK

Wednesday 15th Dec, 10am - **Anna McColgan R.I.P.**

Saturday 18th Dec 10am, - **Patrick Connolly R.I.P.**

CONFESSIONS:- Mon-Sat from 9.30am, Sat from 3.30pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:- Mon-Sat, 9.30-9.55am

BAPTISMS:- To arrange a baptism please contact the Church Office.

*****Next Baptismal Preparation Course - 5th January*****

HALL CAFÉ:- Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays after Mass *****NEW AND IMPROVED MENU!!!**

WELFARE CLINIC:- First Saturday of the month 10-12

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Please support your parish through the weekly collection, our income relies solely on the donations of our parishioners. Contributions can be made in the form of a standing order or online donation through our website, using these bank details.

Sort Code: 83-26-24

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*****Filling out our Gift Aid form will allow us to claim an extra 25% of your donation from the taxman, at no cost to yourself! Standing order and Gift Aid forms are on our website or at the end of the pews in church. Completed forms can be put in any of the boxes at the back of the church.*****

Please pray for the following:-

Sick:- Mary Langan, Niamh Edelsten, John McCarron, Brian Malone, Ena and Anne Nicholl, Sean Christie, Bill Corr, Kathleen Robertson, Campbell Hastings, Jennifer Milne, Manus Wellington, Susan Dickie, Andrew Cochran, Mary Donaghy, Isabella Fleming, Angie Gibb, Brian McGurk, William Freeman (Tully), Helen Cameron.

Recently deceased:- Kevin McKeown, John McCafferty, Janette Evans, Donna Blackburn, Patrick Joseph Connolly, Joseph McAleer, Anna Connor, James McBride, James Galston, Jim Dolan, Christina Cruickshank, Mary McDowell, Mary McGinlay, Jim Reilly, Gerard McFadden, Rita Campbell, Brid Ferry, Roseann Swinburn, Stina Lynch, Yolanda Atkinson, Claire Duffy, Isabella McShane, Rose Reilly, Jim O'Donnell, Eliee McQuade

Anniversaries:- Francis Deighan, Margaret Hastings, Anne Law, Danny O'Connor, Sr Milagros Magistrado, James McCluskey, Dan Tonner, Charlie Chambers, Hugh and Agnes McCauley, Frank and Bridget Chambers, Anthony Millar, Margaret and Ruthvan Allan, Eley Quinn, Tony Murray, Hugo McGlinchey
Birthday Blessings:- Margaret Murray, Margaret McEwan

Sanctuary flowers, in recognition of:- David and Cathie Gough, Fay Paterson, James Connor, William Vincent, Alex Elder (Snr), Alex Elder (Jnr), John and Jane McGuire, Peter and Bridie Burke, Eddie Hughes, Eley Quinn, James and Stephen Coutts, Carol-Ann Sharkey, Margaret and John Burns, Our Blessed Lady.

Last week's collection - £1922

Thank you for your generosity

- The latest edition of the Scottish Catholic magazine now available in the stall.
- Western Catholic Calendar 2022, now available in the stall.

80TH ANNIVERSARY MASS

Our anniversary Mass on Wednesday night with Bishop Toal was a worthy celebration of thanksgiving to God for 80 years of our church building. The church itself looked magnificent and it was fantastic to see so many of you there, 'the living stones' of the church. It has been a long time since we have gathered together in such numbers, it was a joy to behold!

There were, as usual, so many people involved in making the night such a success; the church cleaning crew, the hall staff, the choir and musicians, readers, altar servers and all those working behind the scenes. It wouldn't have been possible without their help and we offer our sincere thanks to all of them for freely giving of their time and talents. May God reward you for your goodness. Congratulations again to our Bene Merenti medal recipients. Well deserved!

There are still some commemorative booklets from the Mass at the back of the church, please feel free to take one, especially if you were unable to attend Mass on the night.

PARISH CALENDAR

Our parish calendar, to mark our 80th anniversary is now on sale in the stall, priced £3. All proceeds to the Building Fund. With grateful thanks to the Co-op who sponsored the calendar for us.

SSVP GIFT TREE

If you haven't already done so could you please return your gift as soon as possible to allow us time to deliver your gifts. Thank you for your support; the response, as ever, has been amazing!

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

We are delighted that our annual Carols by Candlelight concert is back this year! The Bothwell Philharmonic and our primary school choir will perform for us on Thursday 16th December at 7pm. Come and enter into the Holy Season of Christmas. There will be festive refreshments in the hall after the concert, all are welcome.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Our Christmas raffle tickets will be on sale from this weekend. We have four luxury Christmas Hampers, a Gin Hamper and a signed framed Celtic strip to be won! All money raised from the raffle will go towards the Building Fund. We are still looking for items to make up the last hamper, any donations will be gratefully received.

THE WAYSIDE CLUB

St Vincent de Paul will have their annual Christmas collection for The Wayside Club on Sunday 19th December. Small items such as socks and toiletries etc would be much appreciated. To assist in distribution The Wayside Club would prefer that donations are **NOT** gift wrapped.

There will be an exit collection for the Wayside Club at all Masses that Sunday.

ADVENT 2021 - RORATE CAELI MASSES

Our next Rorate Caeli Mass will be Monday 13th December at 7am. These Masses are simple, prayerful, and illuminated only by candlelight - a perfect way to begin the day and a fitting way to prepare for Christmas.

RECONCILIATION AND ADORATION

On Saturday 18th December the church will be open for Eucharistic Adoration between 2pm-4pm and there will be several priests available to hear confessions.

LIGHT UP A LIFE

Light up a Life is an opportunity to sponsor a lantern in memory or in honour of a loved one, with all donations going to the St Andrew's and Kilbryde Hospices. The lanterns will be lit in the Church throughout the Christmas Octave. Cards are available for you to let someone special know they are in your thoughts and that a light will be shining in memory or in honour of your loved one; these are available from the stall. Please place your donation in the envelopes provided and pop in any of the boxes at the back of the church.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS

Keep Christ in Christmas this year and help support your parish by purchasing our beautiful Christmas cards, showing our church in all its glory at Christmastime. Now on sale in the stall, all proceeds to the Building Fund.

SISTERS OF THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

Pro-Life Mass on Wednesday 15th December at 7.30pm, celebrated by Fr Mournian

LETTER FROM LADY HAUGHEY

Our St Vincent de Paul Conference have had a lovely letter from Lady Haughey, recognising their hard work during the pandemic. Lady Haughey is the Lord-Lieutenant of Lanarkshire, the Queen's personal representative in Lanarkshire! The letter reads:

Saint Columbkille's Society of St Vincent de Paul,

As the representative of Her Majesty The Queen in Lanarkshire, I would like to thank you all for the wonderful contribution you have made during these extraordinary and difficult times. It has been heartening to see so many people coming together to help others in their community. It has been a great help over this very difficult year. The collaboration, courage and selflessness shown by volunteers across the Country during the COVID-19 pandemic has been truly inspirational and uplifting.

Lady Haughey (Susan) CBE

Lord-Lieutenant of Lanarkshire

BULLETIN ADVERTS

Do you own your own business or know a business who would like to advertise in our weekly bulletin? Our bulletin goes out to over 1000 homes weekly, either in person, via email or through social media. If this is something that would be of interest to you or a local business you are aware of please get in touch through the Church Office for more details.

ARE YOU THINKING OF A CAREER IN TEACHING?

There has never been a better time to consider a career in teaching and Catholic schools all over Scotland are looking for committed and ambitious new teachers. You can be a vital part of a community of faith and learning, making a real difference and helping future generations to believe and achieve.

If you would like to teach in a Catholic school, talk to your guidance teacher, contact your Diocesan Office or visit the Scottish Catholic Education website at www.sces.org.uk where you will find a series of resources to assist anyone thinking of a career in teaching.

PARISH HISTORY GROUP

Our history group are making a film to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the building and are looking for any old cine footage that may exist of the church, maybe from a family celebration, wedding, baptism etc. If this is something you have and you would be willing to allow them to use it please get in touch with Geraldine Baird on 07857 923 322 or g.baird2@ntlworld.com

FESTIVE CAFÉ

The hall café is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings after 10am Mass and after all morning Masses on a Sunday. Now serving a festive menu...pop in after Mass for a cuppa, lovely cakes and a chat!

USED STAMPS

We are collecting used stamps to send to HCPT, who sell them and use the funds to help send a child to Lourdes. Please place stamps in the box at the back of the church. Thank you.

ST ANTHONY'S ADVENT TALKS

At Tuesday evening Mass at 7pm in St Anthony's, the homily will be given by a guest Priest each week during Advent. This week's guest is Fr Ryan Black, his talk is entitled '**Joseph, the genealogy and the Son of David**' Fr Coyle extends a warm invitation to all our parishioners to join him.

300 CLUB - December Draw

1st Prize (£500) No 107 - N Wilson

2nd Prize (£250) No 355 - A. Law

3rd Prize (£100) No 163 - Bro Leggat

A big thank you to all members and collectors who contributed so well during 2021.

Collectors:- New books will be available on Sunday 9th January 2022, please return books on 23rd January 2022.

New members required:- Anyone wishing to join the club please contact Rosaleen Anderson (647-2301) or leave your details at the Church Office.

FIRST COMMUNION OUTFITS

We have a number of dresses and a kilt available to anyone who needs them. Please enquire at the office for details.

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