# ST COLUMBKILLES CHURCH

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#### CLERGY

Fr Bernard Mournian (Parish Priest) Fr Pat Hennessy (In Residence) Rev. Michael Ross (Deacon)

### FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

#### 26<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021

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

Sun 26th Dec:~ 9am, 10.30am, 12noon, 4pm Mon 27th Dec~ Fri 30th Dec:~10am, 1pm

## \*\*\*Feast of Mary, Mother of God\*\*\* Saturday1st Jan 2022:~ 10am

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan:- Saturday Vigil 4pm, Sun, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon and 4pm

**CONFESSIONS:~** Mon-Sat from 9.30am **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:~** Mon-Sat, 9.30~9.55am

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

\*\*\*Next Baptismal Preparation Course ~ 5th January\*\*\*

WELFARE CLINIC:~ First Saturday of the month 10~12 \*\*\*Next clinic ~ Saturday 8th January\*\*\*

#### 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 yourselfI 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:- Steven Murphy, Paul Sisk, 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:**~ John Hayes, Margaret Levrage, Patrick Connolly, Jim Dolan, Sheila Devine, Sam Cosh, Pat M<sup>c</sup>Quade

Anniversaries:- Gerry Haughey, Donald M°Colgan, Matthew Gordon, John Clarke, Terry Heaney, William and Bridget M°Gurk, Anne M°Elhinney, Christine Emerson, Brenda Bray, Paul Francis Boyle, Mary Flanagan, Hugh Mullen, Liam Kavanagh, Ellen Kennedy, Mary M°Fadden, Charles Millar, Harry and Anna Connor, Catherine M°Farlane, John M°Ewan.

Birthday Blessings:~ Michael Mallon

Sanctuary flowers, in recognition of:- James M<sup>c</sup>Phillips, David and Cathie Gough, Fay Paterson, James Connor, William Vincent, Alex Elder (Snr), Alex Elder (Jnr), John and Jane M<sup>c</sup>Guire, Peter and Bridie Burke, Eddie Hughes, Elsey Quinn, James and Stephen Coutts, Carol-Ann Sharkey, Margaret and John Burns, Our Blessed Lady.

## Last week's collection ~ £1660 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.

#### CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM FR MOURNIAN ON BEHALF OF ALL THE CLERGY

My dear parishioners,

Happy ChristmasI On Christmas Day we celebrate the greatest gift the world has ever received – the gift of Christ the Saviour, the Light of the world. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, God's Son became flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary and was born, in great simplicity, at Bethlehem. Joseph, faithful, chaste and sincere, became their trusted guardian. It is little wonder that so many beautiful traditions have grown up around this wonderful feast – the sending of cards to family and friends, the lovely story of Santa Claus, the exchange of gifts with loved ones, the festival of light in our homes and gardens, the enjoyment of special food and drink. So much goodnessI Christmas reminds us also of the sanctity of the child in the mother's womb and the sacredness of our human existence and the deeply spiritual nature of our being. We are created for union with Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit, and thus to become the adopted sons and daughters of the eternal Father.

For many, this has been a year of joy, welcoming a new child into your family, or celebrating a wedding or First Holy Communion or achieving some goal, like graduation from university. For others, it was a year in which you faced some personal hardship or lost someone you love. Whatever your circumstances today, may the deep peace of Bethlehem's Gift to the world fill your mind and console your heart.

With every blessing to you all this Christmas, Rev Bernard Mournian Parish Priest

#### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who entered our Christmas Raffle, you helped us raise £852 for the Building Fund! Congratulations to all our winners; Jean Elder, Martha McLaren, Brian Dignam, Kathy Gilmartin and Margaret Feeny who each won a fantastic luxury hamper and to Margaret Hooker who is now the proud owner of a signed, framed Celtic strip. We hope you enjoy your prizes. With grateful thanks to Tracey Cooper for making up the beautiful hampers.

#### THE WAYSIDE CLUB

The SSVP would like to thank parishioners for their very generous response to their appeal. In addition to the four large bags of socks etc and six bags of toiletries, we were able to give the Club a cheque for £1000 from the exit collection!

#### ST MARGARET'S CRIB APPEAL

Our annual collection for St Margaret's is more important than ever this year as the pressure of the pandemic has led to an increase in the need for their services and at the same time, the restrictions have led to major funding gaps. The crib appeal is a vital source of income for them. Please support them if you can, when you pay a visit to our crib.

#### ALTAR SERVER DAY OUT ~ CANCELLED

Our altar server day out to the panto has had to be cancelled, as a result of the latest Government regulations. We are extremely disappointed about this but will reschedule in the New Year. We will keep you posted.

Our next altar server meeting will be Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

#### 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 CALENDAR

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



N.B. Ken Ross, the Cambuslang Handyman has very kindly offered all our parishioners a discount, please contact Ken for more details.

#### ARE YOU THINKING OF A CAREER IN TEACHING?

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.

#### **BLAZER RECYCLING**

The pupils at Trinity are trying to do their bit for sustainable fashion and are looking for old school blazers, which they are hoping to find new owners for! If you have an old school blazer lurking at the back of your cupboard and have no more use for it please consider dropping it in their Blazer DropBox at the main entrance of the school.

#### 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.

#### SPUC 2022 YOUTH CONFERENCE

Next year's conference takes place 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> February 2022 in Stone. There will be a bus going from Scotland, pick ups available from Edinburgh and Glasgow. The cost is £135 for the weekend, which includes conference fees, all meals, accommodation and social activities. Early bird discount if you book before 31st December 2021! To book a place or for more details please see SPUC's website (www.spuc.org.uk) or contact Louise@spucscotland.org

#### **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.

#### BALDACCHINO MAKEOVER

Thank you to the donors who generously funded the recent gilding work on the pillars of our baldacchino. This was carried out to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our church building. It is such a wonderful enhancement to this feature of our church and we are so pleased with how it has turned out. May God bless you all for your goodness.

#### PARISH HISTORY GROUP

Our history group are making a film to commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> 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

#### FIRST COMMUNION OUTFITS

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





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