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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8TH/9TH JANUARY 2022

HOLY MASS (Services marked in red will be live-streamed) Mon ~ Fri:~ 10am, 1pm Saturday:~ 10am; 4pm (Vigil) Sunday:~ 9am; 10.30am (Children's Liturgy); 12 noon & 4pm

FUNERAL MASSES THIS WEEK

Thursday 13th January, 10am - Edith Mina R.I.P.

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 ~ 26th January

HALL CAFÉ:~ Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays after morning Masses.

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

Account No: 00255006

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:- Fr Jim Doherty, 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: Joseph Varkey, James Clark, Gerry M^cLaughlin, Martin Hannah, Anna Dunnachie, Winnie Doherty, David Timlin, Robert M^cLean, Christine Healy, Theresa Izat, Hugh O'Connell, Alison Adams, Edith Mina, Jimmy Clark, Maureen Latusek, Hugh Healy, Joseph Varkey, Margaret Rodger, Helen Easdale, Netta Marotta.

Anniversaries:~ Jean Little, Charles Monaghan, Joe Hamilton, Sadie Boyle, Mags Morahan, Brian Thoms, Jack Harvey, Phil Walsh, Theresa Gallagher, Mary Lynagh, Kathleen (Kay) Kennedy, Anne Elizabeth M^cGuire

Birthday Blessings:~ Denise Barron, Margaret, Charlie and Kathleen Mount, Lily Docherty

Baptism:~ We welcome Cameron Gough, Keir and Amelie Aiton to our community.

Sanctuary flowers, in recognition of:~ John F Donnelly, Phil and Anne Walsh

Last week's collection ~ £2010 Thank you for your generosity

TRACK AND TRACE

As of Monday 10th January there will no longer be Track and Trace slips in the pews. For those who don't use the QR code there will be sheets at the back of the church to leave your details.

WELCOME TO CHRISTOPER CHIBUIKE, SEMINARIAN

On behalf of all in our parish community we extend a warm welcome to Christopher Chibuike who is a seminarian for the Diocese of Motherwell at St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham. Christopher will be with us on placement for the next few weeks and we hope he enjoys his stay with us. Here is a short message from Christopher:-

'I am on a 3 week placement and it's a nice and wonderful opportunity for me to work and pray with this lovely community of St Columbkille's Parish, Rutherglen. It is indeed a blessing to work with one of the best parish priests in Scotland...Fr Bernard whose good works extend far and beyond and to also learn from Fr Pat, who is my spiritual director. Ta(!!) for welcoming me and please do say a wee prayer for me and I will do the same for you as well. Thank you! God bless you.'

CHURCH DECORATIONS

As beautiful as the church has been over the Christmas period, unfortunately what goes up must come down and we are looking for volunteers to help take down the decorations on Monday 10th January after 10am Mass.

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.

N.B. The crib will be taken down on Monday 10th January, your last chance to donate to the work of the St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society, a vital charity who have helped so many children and families over the years.

BOOKCASE REQUIRED

We are hoping to start a small lending library of spiritual/holy/devotional books and are looking for a small bookcase to get us started! If anyone has one going spare and would be willing to donate it we would very much appreciate it.

300 CLUB

Rosaleen Anderson will be at the back of the church at all Masses this weekend and next weekend to welcome new members, collect monies from existing members and answer any questions about the 300 Club.

Collectors:-New books will be available for collection in the vestry on 9th January.

CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT

"Venire, Visitare, Videre": In Celebration of Mungo and Columba

Please come and join us for a free concert! On Friday 14th January, the day after the Feast of St Kentigern (Mungo), Strathclyde University Chamber Choir will give a recital of plainchant from the 13th century Sprouston Breviary and Inchcolm Antiphoner in St Columbkille's Church. The Choir, conducted by Alan Tavener, and is joined by Cantor Rebecca Tavener, joint leaders of the St Columbkille's Schola. The concert will begin at 7.30pm and is expected to last approximately 45minutes, admission is free and all are welcome!

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.

PARISH CALENDAR

Our parish calendar, to mark our 80th 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.

WAYSIDE CLUB ~ THANK YOU

We have received the following from the Wayside Club:-

I am writing to thank your parishioners for their recent generous donation. This will go a long way towards relieving some of the many hardships experienced by our patrons, many of whom find themselves marginalised by society.

God bless

Brian Bonnyman (Vice-President)

EPIHPANY BLESSING OF HOMES

The Epiphany blessing of chalk and homes is a centuries old tradition that not only places God at the entrance of your home but is also a powerful blessing that places your entire family under His protection. The blessing has biblical roots, deeply tied to the Passover in the book of Exodus. The Epiphany blessing is traditionally written on the lintel of the main doorway just as God instructed Moses to do with the blood of the lamb and even some of the prayers echo God's words of protection that He gave to Moses.



Traditionally a priest will bless the chalk, which is distributed after Mass. The faithful can then take the chalk home and use it to bless their home. It is a beautiful blessing, one that brings many graces upon those who practice it in faith and is a powerful protection against spiritual enemies.

The Blessing (Shortened version)

Let us pray. Bless, O Lord God almighty, this home, that in it there may be health, purity, the strength of victory, humility, goodness and mercy, the fulfilment of Thy law, the thanksgiving to God the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. And may this blessing remain upon this home and upon all who dwell herein. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

After the prayers of the blessing are recited, walk through the house and bless each room by sprinkling with Epiphany/holy water. Take the blessed chalk and first write the initials of the three Wise Men, connected with Crosses, over the inside of your front door (on the lintel, if possible). Then write the year, breaking up the numbers and the year so that they fall on both sides of the initials e.g. 20 C+M+B 22 with the "20 "being the millennium and century, the "C" standing for the first Wise Man, Caspar, the "M" standing for Melchior, the "B" standing for Balthasar, and the "22" standing for the decade and year. It is also popularly believed that the Kings' initials stand for "*Christus mansionem benedicat*" ("*Christ bless this house*").

For more information or for more prayers of blessing please see:-

https://aleteia.org/2018/01/05/how-to-bless-your-home-with-epiphany-chalk/

Blessed chalk and a copy of the blessing are available at the back of the church should you wish to bless your home and your family.

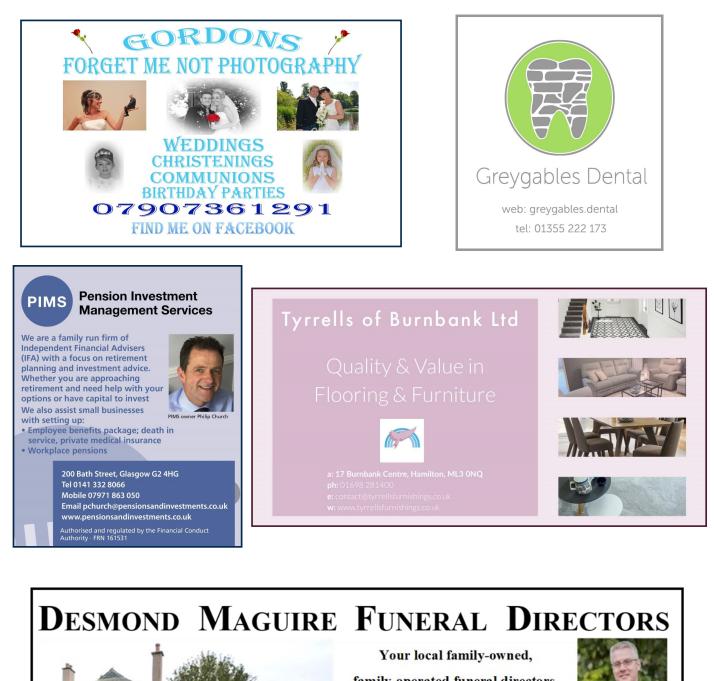
HOLY NAME OF JESUS

The Catholic Church devotes each month of the year to a different devotional theme and the month of January is devoted to the Most Holy Name of Jesus. Our Blessed Lord's name, '*Jesus*' means '*God saves*' so is not only His name but His purpose as well, reminding us of the salvation He brings us. Jesus' name, in His native tongue of Aramaic, is '*Yeshua*', the name Joshua is derived from this too.



The beautiful name of Jesus should be held in the highest regard; spoken and heard only in a sacred way. Here are some simple ways of honouring the Holy Name of Jesus:~

- Don't use God/Jesus' name in vain
- Bow your head when you hear the name of Jesus
- Write His name on your house using the Epiphany Blessing above
- Decorate your home with the letters IHS an abbreviation for the Greek for Jesus a great activity for the kids!
- Say a special devotional prayer to the Holy Name of Jesus, such as the Litany of the Most Holy Name of Jesus or any prayer which invokes His name, such as the Hail Mary or the Jesus prayer.





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