# ST COLUMBKILLE'S CHURCH

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#### CLERGY

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

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2022/1<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2023

#### HOLY MASS

Mon ~ Fri:~ 10am, (Rosary, 10.30am), 1pm Saturday:~ 10am, 4pm (Vigil) Sunday:~ 9am; 10.30am;

12 noon (N.B. No 4pm Mass) FUNERAL MASSES THIS WEEK

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January, 10am ~ *Denis O'Donnell R.I.P.* DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR:~ Friday, 3pm CONFESSIONS:~ Mon-Sat 9.30~9.55am, Sat 3.30pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:~ Mon~Sat, 9.30~9.55am BAPTISMS:~ To arrange a baptism please contact the Church Office.

Next baptismal preparation course ~ 4th January 7pm

HALL CAFÉ:~ Open Tues, Thur, Sat and Sun CLOSED UNTIL 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

WELFARE CLINIC:~ 7th January, 10.30~12.30

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN UP FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE SCOTLAND.

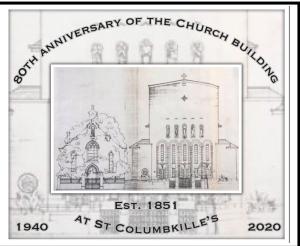
#### WEEKLY DONATIONS

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:**- Stephen Carswell, Patrick Ralph, Rose Maher, William Keaney, Maria Cowen, Helen Boyle, Angela Gibb, May Reid, Patrick Gallagher, Owen Lochrin, Marilyn Cook, Jim Pearson, Enuz Anderston, Ann Bond, Nathan Coleman, Irene Rowan, Paddy McGeever, Margaret McKenzie

**Recently deceased:** Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Rachael Church, Jimmy M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, Mary Joblin, Helen Clements, Mary Rose Crozier, Aileen M<sup>c</sup>Cann, Craig Duffy, Catherine Buchanan, Josephine Brown.

Anniversaries:- Phil O'Donnell, Mary Boyle, James Clark, Ronnie Caldwell, Scott Harland, Claire Loughran, Gerald M<sup>c</sup>Laughlin, Elizabeth Phillips, John M<sup>c</sup>Ewan, Hugh Porte, Bill M<sup>c</sup>Nair, Mary M<sup>c</sup>Caughey, Margaret Malone, Hugh Mullen, Edith Mina, Rose Sweeney, Jean and Andy Loughran, Margaret Ann Gibbons, Iain M<sup>c</sup>Dougall, Pat Foley

**Birthday Blessings:**- Tracey Cooper, Kathleen Mount, Jenny Tierney, Archie Tierney

Sanctuary flowers for Christmas in recognition of:- John, Stephen and Marie Kelly, Rita Cassidy, James M<sup>c</sup>Philips, Eddie Hughes, Margaret M<sup>c</sup>Gonigle, Fay Paterson, Alex Elder Snr, Alex Elder Jnr, John M<sup>c</sup>Guire, Jane M<sup>c</sup>Guire, Netta and Joe Finnigan.

## Christmas collection ~ £6626 Thank you for your generosity

#### POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI

In your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of our beloved Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI who has been called home to the Father's House. As a 'humble worker in the Lord's vineyard' we thank him for his lifelong ministry and ask the Lord to look kindly on His faithful servant. *Requiescat in pace.* 

#### NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM FR MOURNIAN

On behalf of Fr Hennessy, Deacon Ross and myself we would like to take this opportunity to wish all our parishioners a very Happy New Year and we hope and pray that 2023 brings many blessings for us all. Thank you to everyone who has made Christmas in St Columbkille's so special; those who were involved in the Christmas liturgies, musicians, stewards, readers, eucharistic ministers, altar servers, those who prepare the altar and sanctuary, the cleaning crew, groundworkers, the office, hall and stall staff! I am also extremely grateful to St Vincent de Paul, Legion of Mary, Bereavement Buddies, Welfare Clinic, Football Memories and 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Club and all the groups who deliver a charitable and spiritual service to so many in our local community. I hope I haven't missed anyone out!

As we begin a new year, I extend an open invitation to anyone who wishes to become involved in any of the ministries of the church, or the groups that operate in our parish to get in touch to discuss further. With every blessing to you all for 2023

Rev Bernard Mournian

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

#### Message from our St Vincent de Paul conference:~

'We extend our gratitude and thanks to all our parishioners for the tremendous response to our gift tree appeal. 340 tags were taken and returned with multiple gifts which helped 370 children in the Rutherglen and Cambuslang area in co-operation with Rain and Shine, St Bride's , St Anthony's and St Mark's SVDP conferences. Your generous cash donations were boosted with a £1000 award from the Bertie Auld Foundation.

Thank you to our members, hall staff and volunteers who helped make our Christmas lunch such a great success. About 40 adults and 30 children had a great time. Special thanks to McDonald's Dalmarnock, who supplied Happy Meals free of charge for the children.

This year's Wayside Club appeal was also generously supported by the parish. In addition to 5 large bags of socks etc and 6 bags of toiletries we were also able to give the club a cheque for £505 from the exit collection.'

#### ST MARGARET'S CRIB APPEAL

For the past 65 years, St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society has relied on the generosity of the Catholic community in the Glasgow, Paisley, Motherwell and Galloway dioceses donating to their Crib Appeal. The Crib Appeal is their primary source of funding for their Post Adoption Support Services and has raised tens of thousands of pounds each year. As with many charities their funding has suffered as a result of the pandemic and lockdowns. Please consider donating to their Crib Appeal when you visit and pray at our Crib, or donate online - www.stmargaretsadoption.org.uk.

#### CHRISTMAS COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Thank you to those who have returned their Christmas collection envelope, this is a valuable source of income for the parish. Envelopes can be returned to the box at the back of the church.

#### BUILDING FUND UPDATE

Our Building Fund balance to date is  $\pounds 272,032.84$  thanks to the Grand prize draw which raised an amazing  $\pounds 3981$  (after costs of prizes and printing tickets) and we have been able to add to that with  $\pounds 10,000$  from the hall account. As a result of inflation the initial quotes we were given for the work will, regrettably, have to increase. We are currently awaiting the revised costs and will update you in due course.

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Couples preparing for marriage within the Catholic Church are required to undertake a period of marriage preparation. The Diocesan courses for 2023 will take place on these dates: 21st January, 18th February, 18th March, 22nd April. Courses take place on Saturdays from 9.30am - 4.30pm in St. Augustine's Parish Centre, Dundyvan Road, Coatbridge at a cost of £50 per couple. This includes a hot lunch, refreshments and all materials. To book your course please go to: www.marriagefamilylife.org It is important to contact your parish priest or deacon at least six months before the proposed date of your marriage. This will allow time to arrange formal documentation and obtain any necessary permission to marry. Please ensure you speak to your Parish Priest before completing the online registration.



