ST COLUMBKILLE'S CHURCH

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CLERGY

Fr Bernard Mournian (Parish Priest) Fr Pat Hennessy (In Residence)

Rev. Michael Ross (Deacon)



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B) 23RD/24TH DECEMBER 2023

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday 23rd Dec: Vigil, 4pm

Sunday 24th Dec: - 9am and 10.30am ONLY

SOLEMNITY OF CHRISTMAS DAY

Sunday 24th Dec:~ Vigils, 4pm, 7pm and 12midnight Monday 25th Dec:~ 9am, 10.30am and 12noon
There will be no 4pm Mass on Christmas Day

FEAST OF ST STEPHEN, BOXING DAY

Tuesday 26th Dec: 1pm Mass ONLY

There will be no 10am Mass

Wed 27th Dec - Saturday 30th Dec: - 10am, 1pm

FUNERAL MASSES THIS WEEK

CONFESSIONS:~ Wed-Sat 9.30~9.55am, Sat 3.30pm **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**~ Wed-Sat, 9.30~9.55am

BAPTISMS: For baptisms please contact Church Office Baptismal Preparation Course: ~

Wednesday 4th January 2024, 7pm, in the church. Parents who wish their child to be baptised in January are required to attend.

HALL CAFÉ: Open Tues, Thur, Sat, Sun: 9am-12noon.

Café closed: ~ 22nd Dec ~ 9th Jan 2024

WELFARE CLINIC:~Saturday 20th January, 10.30~12.30 **Contact us:**~ welfare.stcolumbkilles@gmail.com

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Please support your parish, donations can be made through our website, using the bank details below or by scanning the QR code.

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 yourself!

Please pray for the following:~

Sick: Margaret Wilson, David McLaughlin, Kathleen McGurk, Paul McAlindon, Joe McCann, Kitty McGlynn, Freya Kennedy (13months), Angela Doherty, Katelynn Brake (10)

Recently deceased: Emily Falconer, Margaret Devlin, Jim Docherty, Harry McLuskey, Henry Rossi, Joseph Gallagher, Eileen Tutty, Yvonne McBride Jarousseau, Angela Doherty, Harry O'Grady, Valerie Parker, Thomas Darroch, Ellen Donnelly, James Boyle, Tommy Tinman, Stuart Gaddis, Kathleen Holland, Bernard Rooney, Ann (Goldie) Whitmore, Francis Shields, James Mutter

Anniversaries: Sean Heraghty, Sarah Jack, Charlie Millar, Neil and Maggie McFadden, Charles and Margaret Callaghan, Catherine McFarlane, George Dempsey, William and Bridget McGurk, Mark McTominay, Liam Kavanagh, Mary Connelly, Mary McSpurren nee Connor, Gerry McLaughlin, Nada Quigley, Hugh Porte

Birthday Blessings:- Peter Robertson Dunnachie, Kathleen Mount, Susan Docherty, Mary McIntyre

Sanctuary Flowers: Rita Cassidy, James McPhillips, John Campbell, The Milligan family, Anna McManus, Aileen Marie McCann (Dunne), Catherine Sweeney, Fay Paterson, Charles McCafferty, Margaret Devlin, Rosaleen Mournian, Alex Elder Snr, Alex Elder Jnr, John and Jane McGuire, James McKay, Isabella Ruth, Eddie Hughes, Catherine Stevenson, Margaret McGonigle

Weekly collection ~ £1691

Thank you for your generosity Next week's 2nd collection will be for Kilbryde Hospice

MIDNIGHT MASS: We will be singing carols from 11.45pm before the start of Mass, please join us.

CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS AVAILABLE FROM THE STALL!

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM FR MOURNIAN

My dear parishioners,

On behalf of Fr Hennessy and Deacon Ross I would like to take the opportunity to wish all of you a very Happy and Holy Christmas. We are all looking forward to welcoming you to our Christmas liturgies in our new gathering space at the front of the Church, which we hope you will agree has turned out beautifully, we are delighted with it. Thank you to all of you for your continued support and for making it possible.

We come together during this Christmas season to celebrate the birth of Jesus, born over 2000 years ago in Bethlehem, in chaos and poverty to a fallen humanity and who comes again at Christmas for us, even

in our sinful and fragile state. I encourage you and your family to make prayerful visits to our beautiful Nativity scene in the Lady Chapel to pray before the Infant King for all your needs. Come and share in the real meaning of Christmas, to wonder at the mystery of the God who made the universe, humbling Himself to become a helpless baby, out of love for us. The words of the Christmas hymn 'O Holy Night' come to mind and give us pause for reflection:-

The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger,
In all our trials born to be our friend;
He knows our need, To our weakness no stranger!
Behold your King! Before Him lowly bend!
May God bless you and your families this Christmastime.



GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW

Congratulations to our winners!

1st Prize: Leanne Murphy 2nd Prize:~ Robert Downie 3rd Prize:~ Elizabeth Bain

Thank you to everyone who bought a ticket, we have raised a further £3400 for the Building Fund!

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Tuesday, it was a beautiful evening, we hope you enjoyed yourselves. Thank you to all those involved on the night and to all those involved behind the scenes. We are so grateful for all that you do.

SVDP ~ CHRISTMAS PARTY

We were delighted to host our annual Christmas Party for our clients last Saturday in the hall, thank you to everyone who made it possible

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Envelopes are available at the back of the Church, thank you, in advance, for your continued generosity. Please Gift Aid if eligible.

SPONSOR A PAVER: Last chance this weekend! Great Christmas present idea for your loved ones who really do have everything....except a paver!

LINE DANCING:~ Will start again on Thursday 11th January, 11am~12noon in the hall, £3 each.

A CANDLE IN THE WINDOW

We invite you to continue this tradition on Christmas Eve, lighting the way for Mary and Joseph on their way to Bethlehem and welcoming the Holy Family into your home. Our clergy would be delighted to bless your candle for this purpose after Mass this weekend.

ALTAR SERVER CHRISTMAS NIGHT OUT

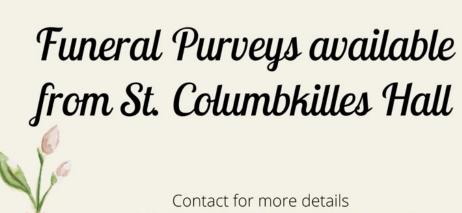
Calling all altar servers! Our Christmas night out this year is on Saturday 6th January, we are going to the cinema to see 'Wonka', followed by something to eat! We will head into town by train, leaving from the church at 3pm. If you would like to go please let Fr Mournian know.

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 St Andrew's and Kilbryde Hospices. 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 box provided.

PARISH CALENDARS

Our parish calendar is now on sale at the back of the church, priced £3, great stocking filler for Christmas!



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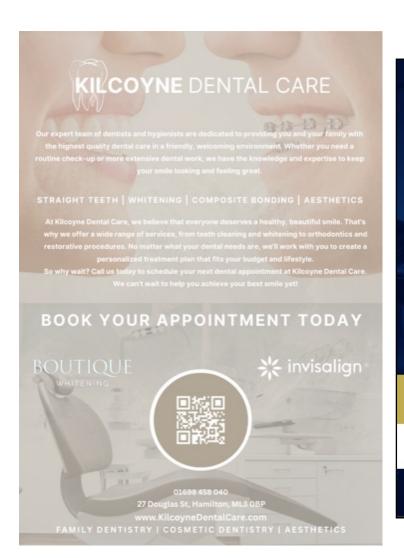
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