



Please pray for the sick — Jackie Fleming, Eileen Robertson, Mary McGuire, Carole Gaffney (Australia), Samuel Ruddy (age 20), Marianne Doherty, Douglas McDonald, Kerr Gildie, Charlotte Jordan, Eileen Mullan, Dick Cohen, John Watson, Ann Gough, Catherine Watson, Susan Gough, Roseanne Dupree, Tony Slaven, Lena Connachie, May McCormack, Marie Docherty, Leslie Docherty, Linda Hogg, Joseph Berry, Anne Adams, Gerry Kelly, Nancy McLellan, Terry McLellan, Paul Gallagher, Mary Johnstone, William Ellis, Elizabeth Hunter, Gian Adjuda, Betty McKenna, Baby Lucy Patricia Malcolm, Sister Margaret Conroy FMM (Thatcham, Berkshire), Mary McManus, Margaret (Rita) McKay, Ryan Forrest, Margaret Steele, William Oliver, Stephen Hart, Canon Michael Walsh (retired Parish Priest of St Aloysius', Chapelhall), Alice Narozanski, Susan Kearney, Mary Higgins (Wishaw), Canon Herbert Flack (Retired Parish Priest of St Joseph's, Cardowan). *(Prayers continue to be requested for Fr Bernardine's dad who suffered a stroke a few weeks ago and is making slow progress.)*



Please pray for those who died recently — Agnes McDonald of Ontario Park (Vigil & Reception today/Sunday at 5.00pm. Requiem Mass tomorrow/Monday at 10.00am. Thereafter to Philipshill Cemetery), George Tait (Spey Grove), Tom Lenaghan, Anna McCool (Paisley), Josephine Hughes, Marion Fitzsimmons, Margaret McAuley (Westwood Nursing Home), Dennis Jordan (Cambuslang).

For the Months Minds of — Tommy Flaherty, Thomas Flaherty, John & Celia Cooper, John Rae,

And for the Anniversaries of — Bishop Francis Thomson (6th December 1987), Walter Joyce, Susan Scott, Ciaran James Newlands, Ellen & Tommy Coffey, Daniel Houston, Peg Conroy, Cille Hansey, Sally Anne Murphy, Joe Murphy, John Murphy.

First Communion parents and carers are reminded to arrange to see one of the priests before 15th December to chat about the preparation and readiness of their child for the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

We continue with the second of our Special Children's Liturgies of the Word at 11.00am Mass today specifically aimed to help our First Communion children in their preparation for Holy Communion. We ask for your support and participation. (Please note - The normal Children's Liturgy will also take place on these Sundays).



LISA MEEK would like to thank Mgr Millar, Fr Sean Wyllie and all parishioners for the Masses, Prayers and beautiful cards given to Lisa during her recent stay in hospital. Lisa is now home and on the road to recovery. Holy Mass will be celebrated for the intentions of all.

PARISH INCOME LAST WEEKEND

Offertory Collection £ 1447.59
 Votives £ 153.47
 Stall £ 120.00

Thank you for your continued support for our parish through your giving to the Offertory Collection, your donations for votive candles and support of our Parish Stall.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION



As usual, we are looking for volunteers for the Christmas Feast-day Masses to assist with the distribution of Holy Communion at the Vigil Mass, Mass During the Night ("Midnight Mass"), and both morning Masses on Christmas Day. Lists to be filled in can be found in the sacristy. Thank you.

MOTHERWELL DIOCESAN CHOIR

presents
CAROL, SWEETLY CAROL



- St Bride's Church, East Kilbride on Wednesday 13th December at 7.30pm.
- Holy Family Church, Mossend, on Sunday 17th December at 7.30pm.
- The Cathedral, Motherwell, on Wednesday 20th December at 7.30pm.



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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT/YEAR B

3rd DECEMBER 2017

Sunday Mass at 9.00am
 Mass at 11.00am
 (with Children's Liturgy of the Word – Group 1 = First Communicants. Group 2 = All other children)
 Reception & Vigil for Agnes McDonald R.I.P. at 5.00pm
 Evening Prayer of the Church for Advent at 6.00pm

Monday Requiem Mass at 10.00am
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.30pm until 7.25pm
 Mass at 7.30pm

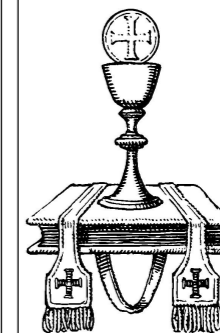
Tuesday Mass at 8.15am
 Morning Prayer of the Church for Advent at 9.30am
 Mass at 10.00am

Wednesday Mass at 8.15am
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.45am until 9.55am
 Mass at 10.00am

Thursday *Memorial of St Ambrose*
 Mass at 8.15am
 Morning Prayer of the Church for Advent at 9.30am
 Mass at 10.00am
 Confessions from 7.00pm until 7.30pm
NO ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
NO NIGHT PRAYER THIS EVENING

Friday *Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Blessed Lady*
 Mass at 8.15 am
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.45am until 9.55am
 Confessions from 9.15am until 9.45am
 Mass at 10.00am
 Mass at 6.00pm for the Priestly Ordination of Rev. Paul Denney

Saturday **NO MORNING MASSES & NO MORNING CONFESSIONS**
MASS OF THANKSGIVING at 12 noon
 Confessions from 5.00pm until 5.30pm
 Vigil Mass for Sunday at 6.00pm



ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

As we look forward to celebrating the ordination of Rev. Paul Denney to the priesthood on Friday evening at 6.00pm Mass, a few practical points might be helpful to parishioners and visitors for the Ordination Mass and the Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday at 12 noon.

- All are invited to participate in the Ordination Mass and Mass of Thanksgiving. (There will be reserved seating for Paul's family and invited guests, for the Diocesan Choir, and perhaps for some of the concelebrating priests – *although we hope to accommodate all the clergy on the sanctuary.*)
- Car parking will be available in Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School from 5.00pm until 10.30pm on Friday evening.
- After the Ordination Mass everyone is invited to the Primary School for light refreshments.
- On Saturday after the Mass of Thanksgiving tea/coffee will be offered in the Upstairs Hall.
- Fr Paul will celebrate 9.00am and 11.00am Masses next Sunday and give an individual blessing after both Masses to those wishing to receive the blessing of the newly ordained priest.
- Tea/coffee will be offered after both Masses next Sunday in the Parish Hall.
- A Presentation from the parish will be made to Fr Paul at the end of 11.00am Mass next Sunday.

READINGS FOR TODAY/SUNDAY

3rd December 2017

First Sunday of Advent/ Year B

Isaiah 63: 16-17, 64: 1, 3-8; Psalm 79: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19;
I Corinthians 1: 3-9; Mark 13: 33-37

R/ LORD OF HOSTS, BRING US BACK;
LET YOUR FACE SHINE ON US
AND WE SHALL BE SAVED.

PARISH READERS

All Readers are invited to a meeting in the *Oratory at 3.00pm today/Sunday, 3rd December*, the First Sunday of Advent, to study the Readings for the Sundays of Advent for Year B, the new liturgical year.

After an overview of the Advent Readings we will concentrate on the passages which we will be reading in church—the First and Second Readings for the 4 Sundays. If you are able to come along to the meeting, please read over these passages beforehand and remember to bring your missal or tablet to the meeting.

NEW MASS SETTING

We are in the process of introducing a new setting of the Mass which you can listen to on YouTube. It's the Mass of Frances Cabrini by Kevin Keil (OCP Publications).

FAMILY CHRISTINGLE SERVICE on Christmas Eve afternoon. Several Readers are needed to read short readings or prayers in this Service. If your child would like to do a reading, please add your name to the sheet on the noticeboard.

FORTY HOURS ADORATION

Thank you for the wonderful support for the Forty Hours Adoration last Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. It was very encouraging to see a good response to the Holy Hours as well as many parishioners coming to the church throughout the day to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. It was also an opportune time to introduce some of the schoolchildren to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Primaries 6 & 7 attending Mass and Primary 4 making a special visit for prayer. It was commented on how well the children gave of their attention at Mass and during the Visits. Well done!

Thank you for all donations for flowers and candles. Over £200.00 was donated for the decoration of the altar and sanctuary.

THEATRE MONEY is now due. Please put your money in an envelope with your name and phone number and give it to Ennis. ASAP please!

HCPT HOSANNA HOUSE GROUP 522

We are currently looking for two male people who require assistance, and for male and female helpers to join us for our pilgrimage next year to Lourdes on 13th–20th July. Please contact Robert Kinghorn on 01355 702187 or 07914 823307.

LOCAL FOODBANK

This is the last weekend in 2017 for the Foodbank Collection. Please keep up your usual generosity and thoughtfulness for those in particular need at this time of year.

The items most needed are cereal, tinned soup, vegetables and tinned fruit, toothbrushes, shampoo, shower gel and toilet rolls. Additionally, you may wish to consider a seasonal treat (selection box, tin of sweets, Christmas Pudding, mince pies).



MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

On Tuesdays after 10.00am Mass
in the Oratory.

All welcome.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

On Fridays in the Church at 2.00pm.
Stations of the Cross, Prayers for Priests,
3 o'clock Prayer, "You expired Jesus",
Divine Mercy Rosary.

FAITH SHARING GROUP

Meets on Wednesdays in the Oratory
after Tea Bar

THE PARISH HALL

- **Sundays** Tea Bar today/Sunday.
Indoor Bowling 6.00 - 8.00pm
(Main Hall). All welcome.
Contact 01355 267009
for information.
- **Tuesdays** Bingo at 7.30pm.
- **Wednesdays** Tea Bar after 10.00am Mass.
- **Thursdays** Mother and Toddler Group
from 10.30am until 12 noon.
Friendship Club from 1.30pm
until 3.30pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

12.30 pm



Today/Sunday we welcome three new members to the Church. Arran Fergusson of Dalmellington Drive, Maria Rose Shovelin of Wardlaw Crescent, and Harper Ann Henderson of Lonsdale Gait, Newlandsmuir. Please pray for the newly baptised and also for their parents and godparents that they will be the best of teacher in the ways of faith - by word and example.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

On Friday, 8th December, there will be a Solemn Mass for the Feast, with the Sacrament of the Sick, celebrated in St Francis Xavier Church, Taylor Avenue, Carfin, at 1.00pm. Light refreshments in the Xavier Centre afterwards. All are welcome to attend.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

It is at this time of year again when I start up my annual campaign to encourage as many people as possible to use the KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS stickers on all their mail leading up to Christmas. If you wish to participate in this campaign by ordering the stickers please contact me on my email address georgemcaleenan@gmail.com or by using my phone number - 01698 842846.

*George McAleenan,
Scottish National Secretary,
Catholic Men's Society.*

DIOCESAN CONTEMPORARY MUSIC GROUP

It has been suggested on a number of occasions over many years that the Diocese might offer an opportunity for those music groups ("Folk Groups") in the Diocese to come together as one large contemporary music group to sing at the odd diocesan occasion.

In recent weeks, Kris Thomas, Choirmaster at St Joseph's, Cardowan, Stepps, has kindly agreed to coordinate this and take charge of this project.

The music group would hopefully comprise singers and musicians (guitarists, flautists, violinist) who would gather for a fortnightly rehearsal. The music chosen would be of a more contemporary genre but with the possibility of descants and even four-part choral work.

We looked for a central location and it was agreed that Holy Family Parish Centre in Mossend ticked all the boxes.

There will be an initial meeting/music rehearsal on Monday 15th January 2018 at 7.30pm in Holy Family Parish Centre.

Those interested in forming such a group are invited to come along (instrumentalists are encouraged to bring along their instruments). A special invitation is extended to CARITAS participants who might want to use their musical talents for the worship of God.

You can just turn up on the night or contact Kris Thomas on 07747 867 003 for more information.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE FOR OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH EAST KILBRIDE

Saturday 23rd December

8.15am Mass in the Oratory
10.00am Mass in the church
10.30am Confessions until 12 noon
6.00pm Vigil Mass
for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday 24th December

9.00am Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent
11.00am Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent
3.00pm Christingle Service
6.00pm Vigil Mass of Christmas
11.00pm Christmas Carols
11.30pm Mass During the Night

Monday 25th December

9.00am Dawn Mass of Christmas
11.00am Day Mass of Christmas

Tuesday 26th December

11.00am Mass for the Feast of St Stephen

Wednesday 27th December

8.15am Mass for the Feast of St John, Evangelist
10.00am Mass for the Feast of St John, Evangelist

Thursday 28th December

8.15am Mass for the Feast of the Holy Innocents
10.00am Mass for the Feast of the Holy Innocents

Friday 29th December

8.15am Christmas Octave Mass of the day
10.00am Christmas Octave Mass of the day

Saturday 30th December

10.00am Christmas Octave Mass of the day
6.00pm Vigil Mass
for the Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday 31st December

9.00am Mass for the Feast of the Holy Family
11.00am Mass for the Feast of the Holy Family
(Fr Stuart Parkes - Principal Celebrant.
Parish Presentation to Fr Parkes at the
end of the Mass)

Monday 1st January 2018

11.00am Mass for the Solemnity of Mary,
the Mother of God