

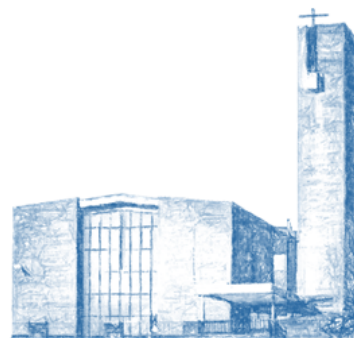
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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - YEAR A 7th and 8th January 2023

Mon	10:00	Devotions - Baptism of the Lord
Tue	10:00	Mass
Wed	10:00	Mass
Thu	10:00	Mass - funeral of Angela Milligan
	18:15 - 18:45	Confessions
	19:00	Mass
Fri	10:00	Mass - St Kentigern
Sat	09:00 - 09:45	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09:15 - 09:45	Confessions
	10:00	Mass
	16:15 - 16:45	Confessions

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 14th and 15th January 2023

	17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sun	09:00	Sunday Mass
	11:00	Sunday Mass

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

ISAIAH 60:1-6

Above you the glory of the Lord appears

PSALM 71(72):1-2,7-8,10-13

All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

EPHESIANS 3:2-3,5-6

It has now been revealed that pagans share the same inheritance

MATTHEW 2:1-12

The visit of the Magi

BISHOP TOAL

Bishop Toal went through a hip replacement operation on Friday and will be convalescing for a few weeks. Please keep him in your prayers.

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

The Gospel narrative and the text of Isaiah together shape our traditional crib scene of kings, camels, and lavish gifts. But the feast celebrates revelation itself. The Wise Men's search, guided by the light of reason, takes them only so far. Only an encounter with Scripture - divine revelation - can perfect it and lead them to find and worship the divine child. Our human capacities need to be enlightened by divine revelation to lead us to God and to Christ, the light which enlightens all of life.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED

Angela Milligan (funeral Thursday 10am), Kevin Connor, Pope Benedict XVI, Fr Joe Clements, Frank McGarvey.

ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Alice Docherty, Michael and Betty Horn, Johnny and Molly Lyons, James McCabe, Rose Traynor, Kathleen McIntyre, Joe Keenan, Cathie Blake, John Reynolds, Mary Robertson, Patrick Kilcullen, Andrew Gunn.

THE SICK

Margaret Gannon, Jan McKnight, Mary (May) McCann, Nora Houston, Terry Cassidy, Holly McConville, Betty Bissett, Maureen Darby.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Weekly Collection	£1,501
Weekly Standing Orders	£880
Votive Candles	£165
Christmas	£180

WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

NOVENA, ROSARY AND PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday before Mass at 09.25 and after Mass on a Saturday.

MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday after Mass in the Oratory.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday in the Oratory after Mass

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS & VOCATIONS

Friday at 13:30 in the Church, Stations of the Cross and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY ROSARY

First Tuesday of the month at 19:00 in the Oratory.

All Welcome

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

ISAIAH 49:3,5-6

I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth

PSALM 39(40):2,4,7-10

Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-3

May God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace

JOHN 1:29-34

'Look: there is the Lamb of God'

REGULAR EVENTS IN THE HALL

Tue	09:00	Knitting and Craft Group
	19:30	Bingo
Wed		Café after morning Mass
Thu	10:30	Mother and Toddler Group
	13:00	Friendship Group

All Welcome

FORTHCOMING SERVICES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

NEXT AUTISM FRIENDLY MASS

This Sunday, 8th January at 14:00.

ENROLMENT MASSES

For children receiving the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this year:

- Our Lady of Lourdes - next Sunday, 15th January at 11:00.
- St Louise - Sunday, 22nd January at 11:00.

NEXT CHILDREN'S MASS

Sunday, 5th February at 11:00.

THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

The Christmas Season continues this week with the Epiphany. This comes from a word that means "manifestation". This is the day when the Lord is made manifest (is shown) to the whole world represented by the Magi, the outsiders.

Their gifts have an important symbolism:

Gold - a gift worthy of a king. The child born in the stable is recognised as the rightful king.

Frankincense - a gift for God. Incense continues to be used around sacred things (such as during benediction) and so this gift points to Christ's divinity.

Myrrh - a gift that reflects the cross. This is an ointment used to prepare bodies for burial. Right from the beginning of his life, we are directed towards his death. Christ came to die on the cross for our sake and rise again so that we might share in his resurrection.

OTHER NOTICES

THANK YOU FROM ORBIS

Thank you to all who donated to Orbis during the year. We raised £1,595 to help people who can be cured of preventable blindness.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Thanks to our parishioners' generosity, we are now able to help more people than ever. If you or someone you know is struggling to make ends meet, then please consider contacting us. You can drop a note into our collection box with contact details or contact us through social media (@ololssvp is our Facebook page). All referrals are confidential, and no one is judged.

JUSTICE AND PEACE

This week there will be a retiring collection for the Justice and Peace Commission.

For more information about issues of social justice, and to keep up to date with current campaigns, follow Justice & Peace Scotland on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram or check out the website, justiceandpeacescotland.org.uk.