



HOLY CROSS PARISH

17 December Third Sunday of Advent 2017 (B)



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Christmas Quarterly collection for Ecclesiastical Students will be taken during December. Envelopes are available at back of church. Please place in box provided

Christmas Season
The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Week beginning Monday 18 December – Confession will be available after the 9.30 am Mass each morning from 10am-10.30am and from 7.00pm – 7.30pm each evening.
Saturday 23 December Confessions after 9.30am Mass & 6.00pm Mass

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2017

Sunday 24 December Masses at normal times

Christmas Eve

6pm Vigil Mass

12.00mn Midnight Mass

Monday 25 December Christmas Day

The Nativity of the Lord

One Mass at 11.00am

26 December (Bank Holiday) Feast of St Stephen – Saturday 30 December

Mass 9.30am

Sunday 31 December Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Masses as normal.

Monday 1 January 2017 The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Mass. 9.30am.

2 January (Bank Holiday) -6 January

Mass 9.30am



Please take a Parish Christmas Card with you today as you leave with all the details of Christmas Services.

Prepare For Christmas

During Advent you will have the opportunity to spend time away from the noise and bustle of Christmas Shopping. At 1pm today you can choose to spend 30 minutes in prayer/reflection to help prepare for the birth of the Christ child. (A cuppa will be provided after the 11.30am Mass) Please join us today.

Sunday 17 December - Pat Barton

Sunday 24th December - Moira Macaulay. This talk will follow straight after 11.30am Mass. At 12.30pm

Church Heating. Over the next few weeks, we will have three new boilers installed for the Church heating. The present radiators will be renovated and some new heaters added. The cost of this work will be approximately £65,000. The work should ensure that the Church is much warmer than at present. If anyone would like to donate towards the cost of this project, please speak to Mgr Bradley.

Today is Caring Sunday, when we will have a second collection for St Nicholas Fund.

New Electric Organ. The small organ at the front of the Church has had to be replaced, the new organ has been installed at a cost of £2008.00. If anyone would like to donate towards the cost of the organ, please speak to Mgr Bradley.

Carol Singing on Monday 18 December round the Christmas Tree at the Dixon Halls 7pm followed by Mince Pies and Tea in the Meeting Room.

WE NEED YOUR VOICES TO ENSURE CHRIST IS CENTRAL TO CHRISTMAS



Holy Cross Primary School are holding their Advent service on the 19 December at 11.am in the church. Please come and join the children to celebrate Advent.

During Advent. We have our usual collection of toiletries for 'The Space', run by the Daughters of Charity. The box will be out if you feel you are able to donate some items. Toothbrush's, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shampoo etc. They do not require to be wrapped. Thank you in advance.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will stop on Thursday 21 December and recommence Monday 15 January.



Please take a St Nicholas Care fund pack and return after Christmas. The Newsletter in the pack details the work of the Care Fund. Every 1p helps. Thank you.

This month's Pro-Life Mass is on Wednesday, 20 December in Bl. John Duns Scotus, 270 Ballater St, G5 0YT. There will be Adoration at 6pm, followed by Rosary at 7pm and Mass at 7.30pm. All welcome. The celebrant will be Fr Bernard Waave, Cssp.

Priests will be available all day for Confessions in the Cathedral on Tuesday 19 December from 7.45 am until 5.45pm.

Carols for Peace on Sunday 17 December at 3.00pm at Glasgow City Chambers, George Square. afterwards in the Satinwood Suite. All welcome.

The Social Committee are organizing a Quiz night 26 January. Something to look forward to in 2018. Details soon.

Anniversary Mass for Margaret McNamaree will be celebrated on 29 December at 9.30am

We offer condolences to the family of
Isabella Mooney
who died recently.

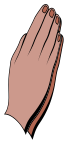


Next Sunday's Readings
Fourth Sunday of Advent (B) 2017
First Reading: Samuel: 7:1-5, 8-11,16
Second Reading: Romans: 16:25-27
Gospel: Luke: 1:26-38

We are renewing our list of those who are sick after Christmas. If you wish someone to be remembered in prayers and at Mass. Please give stipend in an envelope, with the name of the person to be remembered to one of the priests. Or hand into Chapel house.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS
THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Mgr Peter Smith; Fr Neil; Simon Reid; Mary Rose Docherty; Maria Gallagher; Massimo Vanessa; Susan Dorren; Bridee Hardee; Martin Docherty; Susan Doran; Rosina Quinn; Suzanne Dyson; Anne Doherty; Rosemary Cahill; Margaret Gallagher; Patrick Gallagher; James Thomson; Barbara Melancon; Michael Brady; Alice Downey; Maureen Rogers; Brian Kenne; Adam Bond; Theresa Orr; Isa McCourt; Tom Di-Paola; Silvia Fortucci.



THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Anne McFadden; John Timmons; John Walker; William O'Donnell; Margaret Rowan.

THOSE WHOSE MONTH'S MIND OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME

Mary Bradley.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH IS ABOUT THIS TIME

Winnie Seaforth; Annie McArdle; Bella Doherty; Josephine Ferguson; Marie Hughes.



COLLECTIONS:
Offertory £1098.36
Gift Aid £453.00
Many Thanks

Baptisms, Marriages, Sick Calls
Please contact Parish house to arrange.



Sunday Masses: Sat Vigil 6.00pm; 9.30am; 11.30am.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: 11.30am Mass.
For children 4-11 yrs of age.

Weekday Masses:

Monday—Saturday: 9.30am.

Holyday of Obligation: Vigil 6.00pm; 9.30am; 6.00pm

Exposition: Monday; - Thursday after 9.30am Mass -11.00am.

Confessions:

Saturday 10am-10.30am and after Vigil Mass.
Also on request.

