



HOLY CROSS PARISH

3 December First 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

Four Opportunities to Prepare For Christmas

During Advent you will have the opportunity to spend time away from the noise and bustle of Christmas Shopping. At 1pm each week 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 3rd December - Mary Clare Walsh.

Sunday 10th December - Sr Francoise

Sunday 17th December - Pat Barton

Sunday 24th December - Moira Macaulay

Next Sunday we welcome our SPRED Family to the 11.30am Mass. Please join us.

We have sheets in the meeting room for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers & Altar Servers for Christmas Masses. Please sign if you are available. Thank you.

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.



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.



On the 8 December the Feast of the Immaculate Conception the Rosary will be prayed every hour on the hour. The first Rosary after 9.30am Mass and the last one at 5.0'clock. Please come and honor Our Lady

Thanks to the Social Committee for organizing the Bingo Night. Thanks to all who came along.

Carol Singing on Monday 18 December 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



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.



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 etc. They do not require to be wrapped. Thank you in advance.

The Blessing of the Crib, George Square, Wednesday 6 December at 6.30pm.

Join the Lord Provost and other civic leaders with Church leaders of Glasgow at this annual event to mark the season of Advent and the journey towards Christmas. Participate in Carols and listen to the schoolchildren of Glasgow sing of the Story of Christmas. All welcome to this very special occasion.



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.

Lectio Divina Dramatica A new initiative from AGAP to encourage reflection on the Word of God in Sacred scripture through drama, imagination and prayerful reading. All are welcome. Meets on the First Tuesday of the month. Next meeting will be Tuesday 5 December at 7.30pm at St Mungo's Retreat House G4 0RX. To book. www.agap.org.uk and click on Events or Tel: 0141 552 5527

AGAP Festive Film and Faith Club will meet at 1.00pm for a Matinée and also at 7.00pm on Thursday 6 December 2017 at St Mungo's Retreat House, 52 Parson Street, Townhead, Glasgow, G4 0RX. This month's film is "The Bishop's Wife" (1947). New members welcome. Totally free. Big screen and speakers. Tea/coffee and chat. To book: www.agap.org.uk and click on Events: Tel: 0141 552 5527

Homeless Jesus Sculpture The Glasgow Sculpture will be installed and dedicated on Thursday 7 Dec at 11a.m. Nelson Mandela Place Church and Civic Leaders, Representatives of Homelessness Projects and those who have supported the project will be in attendance to raise awareness of the homeless situation in Glasgow



All Night Vigil in Saint Andrew's Cathedral on Friday, 8 December 2017, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Begins with Mass at 8.00pm. All welcome. For further information Email: liam.coyle1@ntlworld.com or call: 07806 517383.

Carols for Peace on Sunday 17 December at 3.00pm at Glasgow City Chambers, George Square. The Rt Hon the Lord Provost Councillor Eva Bolander, representatives of Glasgow Churches Together, supported by The St Mungo Singers, the Rutherglen Salvation Army Band, South Side Fiddlers, Piper, Harpist, Ensemble and Schools. A collection will be taken up for the Lord Provost's Fund. Carols for Peace will take place in the Banqueting Hall of Glasgow City Chambers with refreshments afterwards in the Satinwood Suite. All welcome.

The Summit continues on Sunday, 10 December 2017 in Blessed John Duns Scotus Church, Ballater Street, G5 OYT from 2.00pm until 5.00pm. Join the RCAG Youth Team for an afternoon of Fun, Friendship, Faith and more! Holy Mass at 3.15pm. For young people from P7 to S6. For more information please Email: youth@rcag.org.uk

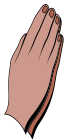
We offer condolences to the family of Patricia Murray who died recently.



Next Sunday's Readings
Second Sunday of Advent (B) 2017
First Reading: Isaiah: 40:1-5,9-11
Second Reading: 2 Peter: 3:8-14
Gospel: Mark: 1:1-8

**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; Briede 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; Adam Bond; Brian Kenne; Adam Bond.



THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Mary Jamieson; Kathleen Smith; Tricia Murray; Alice Gilcamone; Joyce Spiers.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH IS ABOUT THIS TIME

George McGowan; Brian McGranaghan; Sadie Ford; Sarah Doherty; Mary Rose Tausney.

COLLECTIONS:
£ Offertory £550.78
Gift Aid £110.00
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.

