



PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO

Easterhouse

A Parish within the Roman Catholic Diocese of Motherwell SC0 11041

1st Sunday Advent YEAR C

2nd DECEMBER 2018

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Mass

Monday to Friday: 10.00 am, St Benedict's

Saturday: 10 am, St Clare's

5pm, St Benedict's

Sunday: 10.00 am St Clare's

11.30 am St Benedict's

Confessions:

30mins

before mass.

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament:

Tuesday from 9.00am until the start of mass at 10.00am

Thursday from 4pm to 6pm in St Benedict's

Morning Prayer of the Church: 9.40am before Mass.

Weddings: Please see the Fr Ghislain to make an appointment.

Baptisms: Please, Contact Fr Ghislain

RIP : CHRISTOPHER ROBERT FITZPATRICK

Reception of Body & Requiem Mass:

St Benedict's, Tuesday 4th December at 10.00am

RIP : DANIELLE DELANEY

Reception of Body: St Benedict's, Tuesday 4th December at 6.30pm

Requiem Mass: Wednesday 5th December at 10.00am

Heading of Readings: ADVENT 1 YEAR C

First: Jeremiah 33:14-16

"I will make a virtuous branch grow for David". The city will be called "The Lord-our-integrity"

Psalm: 24 To you O Lord I lift up my soul ... Make me know your ways ... The Lord is good and upright ... His ways are faithfulness and love.

Second: 1 Thessalonians 3:12 - 4:2 May the Lord be generous in increasing your love ... we urge you to make more and more progress in the kind of life you are meant to live

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36 Then they will see the Son of Man coming ... stay awake praying at all times for strength and confidence to stand before the Son of Man

Themes

Prepare the way. The Kingdom is coming Be watchful for the Son of Man.

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Christmas Masses:

A short Carol Service will start 30 minutes before each Mass.

Vigil Mass:

Monday 24th December 7pm in St Benedict's; 9pm in St Clare's

Christmas Day Masses:

Tuesday 25th December 10.00am in St Clare's

Tuesday 25th December 11.30am in St Benedict's

Piety Stalls:

Lots of items for Christmas at reasonable prices.

Baptism: A wonderful start to Advent:

Congratulations to **ALICIA MACKIE** on this big milestone. Wishing you and all of your family and friends a wonderful and memorable day. May God's grace and blessings that you receive on your Baptism, guide you throughout your life, led by their good example. .

St John Bosco Parish Prayer Group: INVITATION

We meet each Wednesday in St Benedict's Church.

Meetings begin at 7.30pm.

Our aim is to pray together, enjoy friendship, have discussions on our faith and support the parish and each other.

Altar servers: TOMORROW!

We are looking forward to welcoming all altar servers at a meeting on

Monday 3rd December at St Benedict's at 6.00pm. We hope parents will encourage more children to attend this important meeting.

New altar servers very welcome.

Matters To Do with Young People:

- 1 Christmas Fayre in St Benedict's Primary School on Friday 14/12/2018. 9.30am till about 11.30am. All welcome.
The school is looking for donations.
- 2 Date 1: Sacrament of Reconciliation Tuesday 19th March 2019
- 3 Date 2: Sacrament of Eucharist in St Clare's SUNDAY 12th May 2019
- 4 Date 3: Sacrament of Eucharist in St Benedict's SUNDAY 19th May 2019

NOTE: Families are asked to choose the most suitable date from 12th May/19th May for the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Please inform Fr G or those in charge of the Children's Liturgy. Lists will be compiled soon.

Pastoral Team Committee:

A new Pastoral Team will be set up soon. The members are to be regular Mass attenders and be committed to one of the various Pastoral Groups within the Parish of St John Bosco. The names will be announced ASAP.

Mary's Meals Practical Help:

A Big Thank You for your donation of £261.46 and 60 bags.

Annual Parish Christmas Draw:

Each church has been given 150 books of 10 raffle tickets at 20p per ticket. Angela McManus has accepted responsibility of compiling the prizes and sale of tickets in St Clare's and Harry Kane will do similar at St Benedict's. Thanks to all who have helped so far. Remember £2 per book!

Seven Prizes so far: £100, large hamper contents (**not** the wicker hamper as it is borrowed from another Church), Bottle of Malt whisky, 2 separate identical small box hampers, a selection of wines and a huge pack of Teabags!

Stall :Society Of Innocents :

Thank You to all who supported this very worthwhile cause.
£265 raised for this great cause.

Advent Parish Retreat: THANKS FR BOB KANE

Thank You to Fr Bob Kane for his prayerful, thoughtful and inspirational input to yesterday's retreat. It was excellent preparation for advent.

We will pray for blessings on your Ministry of Mercy and success in all of the great work you do. Thanks to all participants.

Advent: Prepare the Way of The Lord: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love

Advent is not as strict as Lent, and there are no rules for fasting, but it is meant to be a period of self-preparation. The purple colour associated with Advent is also the colour of penance. **The faithful should fast during the first two weeks in particular and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.** The colour of the Third Sunday of Advent is **rose**. This colour symbolizes joy and represents the happiness we will experience when Jesus comes again. The Third Sunday is a day of anticipatory celebration. It is formerly called "Gaudete" Sunday; gaudete means "rejoice" in Latin.

Finally, Sundays during Advent, just as during Lent, should not be given to fasting, but instead to celebration because we celebrate the resurrection of Our Lord every Sunday. It is important to remember, however, there are no particular rules for how the laity should observe Advent.

The emphasis in the Mass and the daily prayers of this season is on

- the prophecies of His Incarnation and Birth;
- His coming into our lives through grace and the sacraments, especially the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion; and
- His Second Coming at the end of time.

Advent: Reconciliation Service (As stated above)

Annual service on Thursday 13th December with 7pm start.

Hall Hire:

A reminder that St Benedict's Hall is well used for parties and celebrations of different kinds and age groups. All bookings are entered in the events diary and must be done early if you wish to have bar facilities. Up to 50 people can be catered for.

Tel: Mary McGuire **07805941458** and/or Geraldine Feeley **07864577527**

Parish Bingo: St Benedict's Church Each Wednesday from 1pm to 3pm.

Everyone is reminded that this activity takes place on the stated day and time. You can support this activity by attending and/or donating prizes.

Gift Aid: Not too late to use envelopes each week and claim back an extra 25% of your annual collection payment from **your tax payment**. Money for nothing for your Parish and it only takes a few minutes to fill in the form.

Examples: £2 pw gives EXTRA £26 per year, £10 pw gives EXTRA £130 per year, £30 pw gives EXTRA £390 per year for Parish income.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Mass Collections 24th/25th November **£561.73**

Thank you for your generosity. (Please consider Gift Aid if you pay tax)

Please pray for those who have recently died

Danielle Delaney; Christopher Robert Fitzpatrick; Susan French;
Patrick Leonard; Catherine Silvestro; James Nelson Jr.

For those whose anniversary/month's mind is about now:

Mary and Jimmy Mathews; Danny McGlinn; Rose McGinley; Patrick Kerr;
Annie Toner; Vincent McDonald; Willie McCann; John Kelly; Harry Kane Snr;
Colin Wild; Harry Edwards; Georgina Patricia Keady; Betty Caldwell;
Amy McCutcheon.

For all those who are sick:

Mary Donnelly; Charlene McCann Campbell;
Maurice Byrne (Sr Breda's brother); Sister Breda;
Margaret Samuel; Karen Richmond; Patrick McDonagh;
Colin Richford; Cathy Anderson; Angela Hutcheon; Hugh Pollard;
Michael O'Brien; Frank Griffin; Margaret McPhelim;
James and Doreen Haggerty; Cathy D'Arcy;
Jean Downie; Sadie Findlay; Jane Cawley; Sadie Alison;
Pat Sharkey; Eddie Tarrier; Jim Kennedy and Tracey Foy.

PLEASE ADVISE OF CHANGES TO THE LISTS ABOVE