



PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO

Easterhouse

A Parish within the Roman Catholic Diocese of Motherwell SC0 11041

3rd Sunday Advent YEAR C

16th 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.

RIP : JAMES LANG

Reception of Body: St Benedict's, Monday 17th December at 6.30pm

Requiem Mass: Tuesday 18th December at 10.00am

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

Heading of Readings: ADVENT 3 YEAR C

First: Zephaniah 3:14-18 Shout for joy ... the Lord is in your midst ... he will exalt with joy over you.

Psalm: Isaiah 12: 2-6 Sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy one of Israel / God is my salvation / Give thanks to the Lord / Sing a psalm to the Lord

Second: Philippians 4:4-7 I want you to be happy ... God is very near, pray for what you need.

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18 People asked John "what must we do" - he told them to act justly - and "I baptise with water but someone is coming who will baptize with the Holy Spirit"

Themes today

Traditionally Gaudate (Latin for "rejoice") Sunday is a day of rejoicing, as well as the continuing Advent themes of preparation and right-living.

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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

Matters To Do with Young People: Father Ghislain invites the children of the parish of St John Bosco to Eats and Treats with Santa **Sunday 23rd December 12.30pm till 2pm in St Benedict's Hall** This invitation is for the children who regularly attend Mass in either Church along with an accompanying adult/s.

There will be a list at the back of the churches for the names of those children wishing to come along to eat, have some fun and meet with Santa.

(Might even be a mince pie for the adults)

If anyone has the time to do some home baking then this would be greatly appreciated.

The list will be open till Sunday 16th December.

If you need any more information contact Father G or Margaret McTaggart on 07751529034

Family Planning—God's Way—Nature's Way

The Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Fertility Regulation is 99% effective in avoiding pregnancy with no side effects. The method is also highly effective in helping couples achieve a much-wanted pregnancy. For an information pack or details of a teacher in your area, please contact Fertility Care Scotland at: 0141 352 7930; nfo@fertilitycare.org.uk or www.fertilitycare.org.uk or Facebook www.facebook.com/fertilitycarescotland or Twitter www.twitter.com/billingsscot

Annual Parish Christmas Draw:

Nine Prizes so far: £100, large wicker hamper and contents, Bottle of Malt whisky, Bottle of Jack Daniels, small box hamper 1, small box hamper 2, a selection of wines, a huge pack of Teabags with cups and a box of nice smelly stuff.

21 club Competition 5: 1 winner (£80) and no wooden spoon

117 Iain Lamont 18 2 1 **Total 21**

Competition 6 starts today. Thanks for all support given.

Salesian Co-operators : By popular consensus

Final Meeting this year Monday, 17th December. "General Magone". Carol Insert to our presentation. 7.30pm start as normal.

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.**

Universal Credit now rolled out in East End of Glasgow:

As of 15th December Universal Credit is being rolled out in Shettleston Job Centre which covers this area, anyone new claiming benefits will now have to apply for Universal Credits which incorporates 6 existing benefits including: Income Support, Housing Benefit, Child Tax Credits, Working Tax Credits, Income Based JSA Income related ESA. If you have a change of circumstances, for example, have another child, move house or move into work you may now have to change over to Universal Credits.

For many people applying for UC can be quite complex and it has to be done online. From the word go you have to make sure you have all the relevant information needed for the claim at hand, if not it can delay your start date of payment.

If any of our parishioners are single parents who will be involved in claiming UC they can contact One Parent Families Scotland who have been dealing with many families over the past year in Lanarkshire and other areas of Glasgow as it has been already rolled out in these areas. There have been many issues flagged up mostly relating to financial issues.

There is help out there from various agencies but my advice would be if applying for UC find out what is needed before you start your claim and the conditionality relating to you as everybody's can be different.

The number for One Parent Families Scotland in Glasgow is 0141 847 0444. If there are other parishioners who are dealing with people who are affected by UC or know of other agencies within the area that are offering support could you pass it onto Father G and we can make this known to people it concerns. If you need any more information make contact through the parish email address or phone Margaret McTaggart on 07751529034 and we can look at what support could be given. Email address: stjbparish@yahoo.com,

Decoration of our Churches for Christmas:

If you have any spare holly and/or ivy with which to decorate the churches please leave items in the Church Porches.

Volunteers are needed to help decorate after our Masses on 23rd December. This will be a busy day with some helping/witnessing with the Christmas Draw at St Clare's and/or the Young People Party at St Benedict's.

Second Collection : TODAY

On this 15th and 16th of December, volunteers from local charity **Project Gambia: People Feeding People** are visiting our parish to make a special appeal on behalf of St. John's School for the Deaf. They will be extremely grateful for any support which they receive.

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.

Women's Aid Gift tags: St Benedict Church: Thank You for annual help
You are invited to pick a tag from the christmas tree at the back of the Church and return the gift by 19th December at the latest.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Mass Collections 8th/9th December **£493.15**

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

Please pray for those who have recently died

James Lang ; Mary Coyle (Mother of ex Salesian Provincial Martin Coyle);
Elisabeth Bell; Danielle Delaney; Christopher Robert Fitzpatrick;
Susan French; Patrick Leonard

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

Mary Viola; Robert and Mary Middleton; Patrick Keady;
Alice, Tony and Robert Coletta;
Mary and Jimmy Mathews; Danny McGlinn; Rose McGinley;
Patrick Kerr; Annie Toner; Vincent McDonald

For all those who are sick:

Ann Hume; Ann McGarry; 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 Poland;
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.

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