



# PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO

Easterhouse

A Parish within the Roman Catholic Diocese of Motherwell SC0 11041

4th Sunday Advent YEAR C

23rd 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.**

## **BAPTISM TODAY: WELCOME TO THE HOLLIDAY FAMILY**

Congratulations to BRADLEY GARY HOLLIDAY and BOSTON-BLU HOLLIDAY 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. .

## **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 4 YEAR C**

**First: Micah 5:1-4** Out of Bethlehem will be born ... the one who is to rule over Israel ... He himself will be peace.

**Psalm: 79** God of hosts bring us back let your face shine on us and we shall be saved / Shepherd of Israel hear us / God of host turn again / May you hand be on the man you have chosen

**Second: Hebrews :10: 5-10** "made holy by the offering of his body"

**Gospel: Luke 1:39-44** Mary visits Elizabeth - whose child recognizes her. "Of all women you are the most blessed"

## **Themes**

God made human, Jesus the Son of God, Mary the mother of God.  
Visitation.

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**Bishop Toal's Christmas Message  
is posted at the back of the churches**

Fr Ghislain thanks everyone who has helped him in the past year in **ALL** aspects of Parish life. A special Mass will be offered for all.

**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: TODAY**

Father Ghislain invites the children of the parish of St John Bosco to Eats and Treats with Santa **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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)**

**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](mailto:nfo@fertilitycare.org.uk) or

[www.fertilitycare.org.uk](http://www.fertilitycare.org.uk) or Facebook [www.facebook.com/fertilitycarescotland](http://www.facebook.com/fertilitycarescotland)

or Twitter [www.twitter.com/billingsscot](http://www.twitter.com/billingsscot)

**Annual Parish Christmas Draw: TODAY (St Clare's)**

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

**Christmas Masses: Collections**

Traditionally there are normal collections at this time.

## **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:**

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](mailto: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.

### **St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society:**

You are encouraged once again to give donations to St Margaret's Children and Family Care Society in the crib collections this Christmas and these will be forwarded to the Diocesan Office as soon as possible after the festive period.

### **Justice and Peace Collection:**

The collection for Justice and Peace will be taken up on the Solemnity of the Epiphany, Sunday 6th January.

### **St Benedict's Choir:**

A new year brings new challenges and you are invited to improve our liturgy by enrolling and joining us at our first choir rehearsal on Thursday 10th January at 6.30 pm.

A list is available at the back of the church.

**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: All gifts should be returned by now.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

Mass Collections 15th/16th December **£467.01**

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;

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

John Sheridan; Paula Elliot; Brodie Gunn (1 yr); Bridget McShane;  
Baby Sean Roy; William Blakely; Susan Blakely; David Begley; Cissie Garrity;  
Con Devine; Betty Higgins; James McGrevey; Mary Viola;  
Robert and Mary Middleton; Patrick Keady;  
Alice, Tony and Robert Coletta;

**For all those who are sick:**

Isa McCandlish; Betty Lambert; Janet Duffy; 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.

**PLEASE ADVISE OF CHANGES TO THE LISTS ABOVE**