

**PRAYER AT THE SENDING OUT OF THE EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Priest: Almighty and loving Father, as we have received your Son in this Holy Eucharist, we ask you to hear our prayer for our brothers and sisters:

All: Give your healing, Lord, to those who are sick and housebound.
May those who take the Body of Christ to them
also be a loving sign of our prayers and thoughts.
Keep us united with them in all their sufferings
so that we will grow together as one community
with the presence of Christ among us. Amen

Holy Michael, the Archangel
defend us in the day of battle.
Be our safeguard
against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him we humbly pray
and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host
by the power of God thrust down into hell,
Satan
and all the other wicked spirits
who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Thank you to all who worked so hard to make our Christmas Celebrations so wonderful:

To Anne Daly & Simon Gavin for providing the musical accompaniment for the Christmas Masses and for throughout the year.
Thanks to those who cleaned the Church in preparation for the celebrations; for those involved in decorating the Church & for floral arrangements; to our pass-keepers/stewards; readers;
extra ordinary ministers of the Eucharist and our team of Altar Servers.
Thanks to anyone who may have contributed in anyway.

Thank you for Christmas Cards & messages; Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards and the very generous gifts that were received.

May the Christ Child keep you safe in His love and protection.

Fr Stephen



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Feast of the Holy Family

30th/31st December 2023

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

He, the Lord, is our God.

He remembers His covenant for ever



Sunday Collections:
£ 790.00 (4th Sunday of Advent)
£2065.00 (Christmas Collection)
Thankyou for your support for our parish
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£1015.00 (3rd Sunday of Advent)

Readings for next Sunday  
Solemnity of the Epiphany  
Isaiah 60:1-6  
Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6  
Matthew 2:1-12

Feasts this week  
Monday 1st Mary, Mother of God  
Tues 2nd St Basil the Great &  
St Gregory Nazianzen  
Wednesday 3rd Holy Name of Jesus

**WISHAW HOSPITAL**  
Anyone in hospital and needs the Sacrament of the Sick, The Chaplain can be contacted through the Hospital on 01698 361100 or Assistant Chaplain, Deacon Henry McKenna

Justice and Peace  
Special collection will be taken up at all Masses on the Solemnity of the Epiphany (6th/7th January)

No Tea/Coffee on Sundays for the remainder of December.  
This will begin again in the New Year.

Please hand in any Mass Intentions into the Presbytery NO Later than a Wednesday 6pm. Please put through letterbox.

Scottish Charities Office  
Number SCO11041

**Monklands Hospital:**  
Our Chaplains & Eucharistic Ministers want to offer all Catholic patients Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick during their stay in hospital. To enable this, it is very important to inform the nursing staff working on your or your loved one's ward so that they can let the Chaplaincy team know to visit.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**  
**The Sick:** Stuart Carmichael; Angela McLaughlin; Matthew Kelly(Shotts); Veronica Murphy;  
**Recently Dead:** Hughie Clarke; Mary(Lochrane) Hepburn; Fr Michael Savage  
**Months Mind:** Helen Rae; Margaret Egan; Peter & Sarah Duffy; Sarah Longmire; Maureen McCorquodale; Clayton & Ellen Calderhead; Margaret Hunstone; Colin Campbell; James Murphy Hunstone; Charlie Millar; Tommy Haughey; Michael Howley; Young Family; Ferro Family; Reynolds Family; Docherty Family; Benjamin, Catherine & Paul Dabrera;  
**Anniversary:** William Duffy; Marion Duffy McCafferty; Angelina Campbell; Benedict XVI, Pope Emeritus;

**300 Club**  
**17/12/2023**  
£100 No 199 Liz Brown  
£25 No 266 Linda Fallon  
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It's now time to pay your annual subscription to the 300 Club. There are vacant numbers, if you wish to join, then speak to Pat Cahill.

Weekend Masses as usual
Monday 1st January 2024
Mass 10am in St Brigid's
Mass 12noon in St Ignatius

Tues 2nd Mass in St Brigid's @ 10am
Wed 3rd Mass in St Ignatius @ 9.30am
Thurs 4th Funeral Mass St Ignatius @10am
Fri 5th Mass in St Brigid's @ 10am
All subject to change due to funerals

St Vincent de Paul
Annual Christmas Appeal
The Conference would like to thank all parishioners for their donations.
A special thanks to St Brigid's Primary School for their large donation of food stuff.
70 bags of food were delivered to families who were in need.

Annual Ecumenical Advent Service
Thank you to all who support this event. The collection of Christian Aid was £220.00 in total.
It was great to see such a number in the Church and in the parish centre. Thanks to the ladies who supplied the refreshments.