

Church of Our Lady & St George

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Mass Times: Sunday: Vigil 6.30pm; 9.30am; 11am
Monday –Saturday: 9.30am

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Monday 7pm

Availability of the priest. Fr Joe is generally available after Masses and in the evenings from 8.30 – 9.30 pm, except for Wednesdays.

Confession/Reconciliation: Any morning before Mass, and Saturday 5.30-6.30pm

Baptism: By appointment with Parish Priest. Forms are available in the porch.
Marriage: Appointment with Parish Priest (6 months notice)
Sacrament of the Sick: Please receive this Sacrament if you know you are going into hospital, or if anyone you know has a serious illness.
Funerals: Please approach the Parish Priest in the event of bereavement.

Rosary is prayed every morning. Tuesday-Saturday after morning Mass.
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The Jesse Tree During Advent the children will prepare the Jesse Tree. They will decorate the tree on the four Sundays of Advent. The decorations will represent the promises God made throughout the Old Testament concerning the birth of His only Son. The tree is named after Jesse, the father of David, the great king of Israel. Jesse and David were promised that God's only Son would be born in their family. The decorations begin with Creation and end with the birth of Jesus.

Fr Joe writes: **Advent:** We have arranged a celebration of the ***Sacrament of Reconciliation,*** with individual confession, for Tuesday 13 December at 7 pm. Several priests have agreed to come along to help with confessions.
Some changes have been made to the Reconciliation Room which now means that the entrance for the penitent is now the first door. This is indicated by the notice. It means that the penitent has more space and the priest is nearer to the radiator!
Some people may need a copy of an Act or Sorrow (there are quite a few which can be used) and perhaps a guide to celebrating Confessions. Hopefully, these will be available outside the Reconciliation Room in the near future. In the meantime, just ask if help is needed.

In St Andrew's Cathedral Confessions will be available from 7.30 am until 5.30 pm on Tuesday 20 December. Be sure and make this season a most joyful one, free from burden of sin.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception is this **Thursday, 08 December** and is a special day for the children of Lourdes Primary. "I am the Immaculate Conception" was the message of Our Lady to Bernadette.

St Nicholas Care Fund The Advent Packs are now available in the porch of the church. On the 3rd Sunday of Advent we take up the second collection for this fund. Small groups within the Archdiocese of Glasgow and beyond can apply for funds using the application forms. Contact details contained in the packs.

Parish Council: Details of the meeting last Thursday will be given next week (due to the bulletin deadline). The calendar for 2017, the Christmas Masses, a night for Deacon Andrew and many other exciting items are due for discussion.

Internal Glass Doors After a long wait we now have a date for the work to begin replacing the doors at the back. A central double door will replace the two doors we have and this is to take place this Monday, 4th December. This will mean there will be disruption on Monday and possibly Tuesday and so we agreed to have Mass in the hall while the work is under way.

Glasgow Churches Together: Blessing of Crib, George Square: Wednesday 7th December at 6.30pm. Carols for Peace: City Chambers, Sunday 18th December at 3 pm

Last week's collections. Thanks to all who contribute in any way. £1020 was taken up at the Presentation of the Gifts (including Gift Aid contributions). The second collection for the hall building fund came to £739 (including Gift Aid brown envelopes). Standing order contributions have to be added to the above amounts. "Be sure to mention the £300 contribution from the Womens' Guild" was the instruction after the big party last Monday night.



Christmas Table Top Sale Saturday 10 December from 10am-12 noon. Drop by for a cup of tea or coffee, get your stocking fillers and other Christmas bargains and support this event in aid of the Hall Fund

The Rota for the Sunday Cafe for January to March 2017 is available for all volunteers to collect in the link corridor. Also attached is a letter from Catherine with information about the cafe.
As usual anyone willing to volunteer to help with the cafe please contact Catherine McLaughlin on 0141 321 0000.
04 December 9.30: Caterina Campbell & Mary Margaret Stevenson
11.00: Toni Whoriskey & Andrea Kerr
11 December: 09.30: Alex & June Buik
11.00: Catherine McLaughlin & Gerry MacDougall

SPICE UP THE FOODBANK FOR CHRISTMAS!
The Glasgow South West Foodbank sends a massive THANK YOU for your continued amazing generosity this year.
A Christmas treat for some people would be spices but any and every donation is very gratefully received. How about a Christmas card? Please put any donation you can in the box in the porch or the hall. MANY THANKS

400 Club there are over 80 places available at £1 per month. See Liam in the Hall after morning Masses today.

"Jacket-In" Winter Appeal The SSVP would like everyone to get a warm jacket for the winter—and give us your old one.. In particular we need gents jackets as we can very quickly run out of them at this time of year . Please put them in bags and leave in the the porch shop for us to deliver to our drop-in premises in town.

SSVP Winter Warmer We regret to inform you that due to a lack of human resources within the SSVP we are unable to run the event next year. It takes long hours of planning and as much as we appreciate the help of all our volunteers we require more members to take forward this sort of long term planning. Unfortunately we have not generated any more members through our appeals in the last year. We are, however, committed to running our Sunday outings throughout the year, so if there is anyone you know could benefit from these, please place their details in our boxes at the end of Masses for them to be considered.

Cardonald Parish Church Christmas Tree Festival 06-10 December
Church open daily. Come and join us celebrating the joy of Christmas:
Tues 06 December 10am: Dedication of Christmas Trees with Cardonald Primary School Choir.
Frid 09 December7pm: Carol Singing
Sat 10 December 7pm: It's a Wonderful Life
Donations will go towards the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice "Brick by Brick" Appeal

Church of the Good Shepherd Carols by Candlelight Sunday 18 December at 7pm. A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols. All welcome—refreshments served.

Please pray for those who are sick at home or in hospital: Robert Carroll; Margaret People; David Kirkwood; Liam Cullen; Craig Asher; John O'Malley; Therese O'Neill; Betty Hassan; Phyllis Sykes; Maggie Wallis; Catherine Leverage; Angela Stirling; Sadie Reid; Patrick Gallagher; Joan Campbell; Linda Fulton; Margaret Miller; Bill Robinson; Shirley Conlon; Izzy Gourlay; Christine Kelly; Eithne McCourt; Maurice Duffy; Eliz Clark; Alan Macdonald; John Reilly; Mattie Macdonald; Patsy Pollok; Betty Turner

For those who have died recently: Mary McCourt; Rita McGibbon; Mary-Rose Walker SFO; Gilbert McLellan; Anne Fallon; Terrence Magennis

For those whose Anniversaries occur about now: Una Eadie; Charlie McGuire (100 yrs Battle of the Somme); Billy McKeown; Francis & Mary Frances McNeece; Joe Hawkins

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