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Sunday 27th November 2022 - 1st Sunday of Advent

The Church welcomes and wishes all peoples to believe in Jesus Christ, who suffered died and is risen from the dead, to be baptised in his name

The church is open for private prayer 1.30 to 2.30 pm, and 6pm to 7 pm Monday to Friday, Silence in the church is observed since loud talking disturbs those who have come along for private prayer.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) can usually be celebrated Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 6.15 pm. **For those not able to be present physically our Masses are live streamed. Go to the website for the link :**

Sunday Masses
Vigil: 6 pm; Sunday 9.30 and 11 am.
Weekday Masses: 9.30 am
The novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:
Mondays at 7 pm.
Rosary after Mass most days.

We are asked to pray for…
those who died recently Christopher Brady, Esther Connolly, Catherine McKenna (St Theresa's parish), Margaret Dillon (NZ), Stephen McGregor
and for those whose anniversaries occur about now: Denis and Sarah Doherty, Murdo MacNeill, John Hughes, James Marr, Paddy Lee, Lizzie Lee, Mary Lee, Eleese Quinn (3rd), Manus Boyle, Liz McGoldrick (9 mth) John Rennie (1 mth),
those who are ill: for the sick at home, in hospital, in nursing homes. Prayers are requested for: Mary McAvoy, Baby Finn McGuinness, Joe Kelly, Jouninha Compos, Belle Mann, John McKerracher (Junior), Catherine Anne Ferrier, Sandra Johnson, Robert Carroll, G. Saville, Michael Dillon (NZ), Lesley-Anne Boyd, Sheila Smith,, June M. Buik, Betty Paul, John Leverage, Mary Blair. *Permission from the person who is ill is required before insertion in the bulletin. Add the name to the list in the link corridor each week.*

Advent
1st Week of Advent we are asked to " Stay Awake " and " Stand Ready " as we prepare to celebrate the Birth of Jesus at Christmas.

How can we prepare ?
Put up an Advent calendar or a wreath with the 4 candles named Hope – Love – Joy – Peace.
Set aside 5 minutes of our time each day to talk to God, or listen to Him speak to us in Scripture.
Meet people with a smile this week.

Celebration of Sacrament of Reconciliation.
We plan to have our parish celebration of Reconciliation on Tuesday 13th December at 7 pm with two visiting priests to help with individual confession of sins.

Preparation for Penitential Service
On Monday 28th November after 9.30 Mass a few of the Liturgy Group will be gathering in the meeting room to prepare an Examination of Conscience for the service on Tuesday 13th December.
We would love some helpers. Everyone has something to offer! Please come along. You can stay for a short time or as long as it takes.

The Jesse Tree
The name ' Jesse Tree' comes from the book of Isaiah in which the prophet compares the royal line of King David (son of Jesse) to a fallen tree but predicts that a new branch will eventually grow from the same family and introduce a reign of peace. Christians believe that Isaiah was looking forward to the birth of Jesus, a descendent of King David. It has become a way to depict the genealogy of Jesus. Today it is a fresh take on the Advent Calendar, telling stories of the events leading from Creation up to the first Christmas. This week the children will hear the story of Abraham and if time allows the story of Joseph and they will bring up their symbols for the tree at the Offertory.

Glasgow's 'Blessing of the Crib' takes place this Wednesday 30th November at 6.30 in George Square, in the presence of the Lord Provost and representatives of the churches.
Archbishop Bill Nolan will bless the Glasgow Crib.

PARISH CHRISTMAS DANCE - Saturday 3rd December 2022

Come along and enjoy the start of the festive season at OLSG annual Christmas Dance. Music and entertainment provided by

Unfinished Business

Bar – Bingo – Raffle

Doors open -7:15pm Entrance £3.00 *

*Includes a free glass of "Bubbly."

SOUTHSIDE FOODBANK: *Please remember an item for the food-bank if you can. Thank you.*

Zumba: Wednesdays 17.45 till 18.45 in the parish hall

Finances Thanks to all who contribute to the parish upkeep. £1146 was taken up at the Presentation of the Gifts during the weekend Masses the 19/20th November. Many contribute by standing order each month and for this we are also most grateful. £600 was taken up the week before for the Scottish Catholic Education Service.

Thanks to those who take up the collections, men and women and people of different nationalities to reflect the universality (catholicity) of the Church.

The work of the charity

FREEDOM FROM TORTURE is to heal and support asylum seekers who have survived torture and are now living in this country. The majority of the clients now being seen at the Glasgow centre are from Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq and Iran. FfT has put its weight behind the campaign to stop the deportation of asylum seekers to Rwanda. You can support this work by buying cards on sale from next week, or by making a small donation.

See http://www.freedomfromtorture.org

ESOL (English for Speakers of other Languages) **Classes for Asylum Seekers and Refugees** Come along and listen to how people can help. Lourdes Parish Hall on 1 December.

Tea & Blether – Now you're talking

CRAFTS AND GAMES:

Thursday morning 10.30 till 1.00pm and enjoy the company. Bring you own knitting or crochet or enjoy a board game or just have soup, tea and a blether.

Women's Support Group for women affected by divorce and separation Next meeting **Friday 2nd December**
email: glasgowarchdiocesewomensgroup@gmail.com

CATHOLICISM DVD SERIES. On Thursdays at 7.30pm from 1st December See the poster in the porch for more details.

Ignatian Spirituality Advent Retreat Online
Starting on Sunday 27TH November for the 4 weeks of Advent .
Go to iscglasgow .co.uk to access retreat

radioalba.org
Services from Glasgow Churches Together during the week.

Newman Association: *A Long and Twisty Road: The Social and Economic Emancipation of Irish Catholics in Scotland, 1920-2020.* A talk by Professor Sir Tom Devine, The Ogilvie Centre, St Aloysius' Church, Rose Street, Glasgow, G3 6RE at 7.30pm on Thursday 1st December 2022. All welcome. Non-members: admission £3 -includes refreshments.

St Vincent de Paul Society. If you know of anyone who could do with a bit of assistance you drop a note into the box on exiting the church giving contact details if you have permission of the recipients, or telephone: 07947 194252

Christmas Cards Sale
Nazareth House - In Church porch and Main Reception Area