

## The Catholic Parish of St. Patrick's

# Christ the King 21st November 2021

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Christ the King Sunday	
6pm	Vigil Mass
8:30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
11.30am	Holy Mass
Monday - St. Cecilia	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Tuesday - St. Clement I	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Wednesday - St. Andrew Dun Lac &	
Companions	
6pm	Expo & Confession
7pm	Holy Mass
Thursday - St. Catherine of	
Alexandria	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Friday	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
Saturday - Our Lady	
8.30am	Exposition
9.30am	Holy Mass
10-10.30am	Confessions
5.30-5.50pm	Confessions
6pm	Vigil Mass
Rosary 20 minutes before	
weekday and Vigil Masses.	

<u>**Prayers**</u> are requested for all our sick, elderly, and housebound.

Your Cash Gift to God and His Church Last weekend's cash offertory donations £684 and Day for the Poor £213 Once again, many thanks for your ongoing generosity.

<u>Please note</u> the church will be open every day from 8.30am until close at the earlier time of 4pm during the winter months.

<u>Christmas Gifts etc</u> are available in the Piety Shop. We also have a Belleek Chapel on sale priced £50. To order please complete sheet at the back. Please support your shop.

<u>Used Stamps for the Missions</u> please leave them in the box provided which you will find at the back of the church.

## Parish Pilgrimage / Trip September 2022

<u>T</u>he trip is fully booked. Names and those on the reserve list at the back of the church

#### **Parish Diary**

Sun 10.30am - Tea / coffee in hall

Mon 10.30am - Tea / coffee in hall

7.45pm - Talk on Eucharist

7pm - Choir

Wed 12pm - Welcome Group

Thu 4.45pm - Youth Group Outing

#### Jesus in the Eucharist and You

The launch of the 40 Hours' Devotion takes place at St Mary' Cathedral, Edinburgh, on Sunday 28 November from 1pm. Full details

at https://www.stmaryscathedral.co.uk/T o help you prepare, the Archdiocese has put together a series of videos titled Jesus in the Eucharist and You. The third and final video can be watched on YouTube from 7:30pm this Monday 22 November: bit.ly/ArchYouTube The 17 minute video, featuring Archbishop Cushley, gives a good outline of what the 40 Hours' Devotion is all about .We will host this talk in the hall from 7.45 until 9pm. The Archbishop has asked us to host the 40 Hours from Friday 10th Dec at 10am until 6pm concluding with a Holy Hour. Restart again on Saturday at 9am and conclude at 6pm with Vigil Mass, and finally on Sunday from 12.30pm until 6pm with a Holy Hour. Sheets to sign up and watch with Jesus will be available next weekend.

Christmas wish your family & friends a Happy Christmas through the giving tree in the church. Instead of buying and writing loads of cards simply write your message on a tag and leave in the box to be hung on the tree later. Drop your donation into the sealed box. Donations will be sent to St Vincent do Paul Society in Glasgow to provide hot meals and drinks over the holy season of Christmas for those who have fallen on difficult and challenging times. So make life easier for yourself and at the same time help others embracing the true spirit of Christmas. Tags available at the back of Church.

Annual Christmas Raffle takes place this year. We are looking for the following donations as prizes: Red & White Wine; Spirits: Whisky / Vodka / Gin; Tins of Quality Biscuits; Tins of Quality Chocolates. Please hand in any donations to the parish house or in the Donations Box at the back of the Church. Thanks your generosity and support.

Christmas Raffle Tickets are available at all the Masses this week only £1 a ticket! Loads of prizes to be won. Please note all proceeds to the fabric fund for the replacement of the internal lights in the church next year.

<u>Christmas Raffle</u> - Stubs & Monies Can you return all stubs & monies for raffle tickets to a steward at the back of the church or to the parish house NO LATER than Saturday 4th Dec.

Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch (over 65's) this year will be held on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec at 1pm with restricted numbers of 60 people. We were going to make a charge of £5 per person, but a very generous parishioner has donated £300 to cover the ticket price, which we are very grateful. Please sign up and make sure you make your food choices this weekend. Teas and coffees with be offered and feel free to bring any other refreshments.

Fundraising News Ask yourself this question? Do you shop online at Christmas? If the answer is YES, then you can now help to raise funds the parish. It's FREE, you shop online as normal and the Parish gets a donation every time you spend, it doesn't matter if it is a small or large purchase every penny counts. So far 66 people have helped us raise over £237.73, we thank you for your support. It is so easy to join all you need is an email address, and you are good to go. Spread the word to family and friends the more people who participate the more we raise. https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/

This year the Christmas presents donations will go to CHAS, the Children's Hospices Across Scotland. CHAS supports families throughout Scotland who have a child/children with a life-shortening condition. Many families appreciate the help given to them from the public through CHAS. Some suggestions you might consider donating to this worthy cause. From 0-16-year-old: Fleecy throw / blanket; Toys; Game; Jigsaws; Hat and scarf set; Sensory toys; Sweets; Soft cuddly toys; Books; Pencils; Amazon or Supermarket vouchers. If you wish you could also donate a gift for an older sibling or parents. (CHAS has said that they don't get enough gifts for young males/adults). Normally we would ask you to indicate what the gift is and the age of the person to whom you wish to give it, but could you please put the gift in a festive bag without wrapping paper so that staff can allocate gifts to the appropriate children/families. Donations to be handed in by Sunday 12th Dec so that families can receive them before Christmas. Many thanks for your generosity in these difficult times.

St Patricks Primary School are holding their annual Christmas Fayre this Saturday 27th November, 10am to 1pm, in our church hall, to raise funds for the pupils. There will be a selection of different stalls to go round, entry fee will be £1.50 which includes tea/coffee and mince pies, children are free entry and will receive juice also snack.

Flower Arranging has returned! It's been a long time but this year we decided to make flower posies for our housebound. Our resident florist, Alice Anne, will demonstrate and help us make some beautiful arrangements. So, if you are free on Tuesdays at 6.30pm starting 30<sup>th</sup> November, will you come and help? We will meet downstairs in chapel.

Today is Education Sunday, marking the start of a week when we celebrate the importance of educating children and young people in faith. To assist the archdiocese in it's very important role in forming the next generation of Catholics, there will be a special collection this weekend. If you have one, please use your Gift Aid envelope.

## Education Sunday - theme for 2021

During this Catholic Education Week we are asked to reflect upon the Catholic school as a community of celebration and worship, with Jesus Christ at its centre.

#### Education Sunday - appeal for teachers

If you would like further information on becoming a teacher in our Catholic schools, please contact the Scottish Catholic Education Service: mail@sces.uk.com

We cannot remain silent! It has been revealed that many public sector organisations including the Scottish government have allowed Stonewall, a prominent LGBT lobby to influence their policies. The Scottish government according to 'freedom of information' has removed the word "mother" from maternity policies after being lobbied by the group to replace "gendered terms with gender neutral terms" please see this link for further details. https://c4m.us4.listmanage.com/track/click?u=09b50bf032ab 47d3992863a44&id=99b4b85ad7&e=48e2 62cb97 I, as a member of the parish Caritas Group and as a mother and grandmother which I am proud to be so, feel this is deeply offensive. In fact it touches on prejudice and certainly is anti-Catholic. How much more are we going to remain silent about? it is one thing to claim equal rights but this does not mean only for one group and ignoring the rights of all others who think differently. As a practising Catholic, I feel I have a duty to at least try to make known this injustice and fight against it . I am not happy to accept this and would urge all of us to write to Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister and Scottish MSPs expressing your concerns and offence, making it clear this is not acceptable. You can contact the First Minister and MSP's (as many as possible)to make known your thoughts at mailto:scottish.ministers@gov.scot Anne Collins

The Scottish Catholic Scotland's new Catholic Magazine is available in the display unit under statue of St. Patrick. This is a new initiative and I think a very good one. Can I encourage you to purchase the magazine. It only cost £2. We currently only get 10 copies, if we need more, we will certainly request additions.

Prisoners' Week Launch Service takes place at 7pm tomorrow, Monday at St Mary's Cathedral. Please register to attend at <a href="http://www.prisoners week.org.uk/events">http://www.prisoners week.org.uk/events</a> Downloadable resources for this year's Prisoners' Week can be found at <a href="http://www.prisonersweek.org.uk">www.prisonersweek.org.uk</a>

<u>Safeguarding</u> The latest edition of the Safeguarding Matters magazine from the Bishops' Conference of Scotland is available at <a href="https://bcs.org.uk/safeguarding">bcos.org.uk/safeguarding</a>

### The Archdiocese is recruiting

The Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh is looking to recruit a full-time Religious Education Adviser (Primary Schools). Details at <a href="https://bit.ly/vacancy-2021">bit.ly/vacancy-2021</a>

#### **Christ the King Sacred Scripture**

First Reading Daniel 7:13-14
I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

Second reading Apocalypse 1:5-8 Grace and peace to you from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the First-Born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

Gospel John 18:33-37 'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this; I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'