



St Patrick's Catholic Church

CHRIST THE KING - 26th November 2023



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Christ the King - 26th

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass
11.30am - Holy Mass

Monday - St Fergus - 27th

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Tuesday - Feria - 28th

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Wednesday - Feria - 29th

6 - 6.50pm - Exposit & Confession
7pm - Holy Mass

Thursday - Solemnity of St Andrew - 30th

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Friday - First Friday - 1st

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass

Saturday - First Saturday - 2nd

8.30 - 9.25am - Exposition
9.30am - Holy Mass
10 - 10.30am - Confessions
5.15 - 5.45pm - Confessions
6pm - Vigil Mass

Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc. Sun

Your Gift to God and His Church which includes standing orders: **£1500** and Fabric **£539**. May God bless you abundantly for your support of His Church's vital work of making Jesus Christ present in the world and known.

Prayers we remember the sick and housebound who can't make it to Mass. We also remember the many who have now lapsed from the Faith. **Remember that the church is open every day for visits to the Blessed Sacrament.**

Catholic Education Sunday is today. We remember in a particular way St Patrick's Primary School and St Maurice's High School. We pray that they will be places where growing in love and knowledge of Jesus will be at the centre of all that is done. There will be a second collection today for Catholic Education Sunday. If you have Gift Aid envelopes, please use them.

Thank you to the Bereavement Group for their organization for the Mass last Wednesday and for organizing the tea afterwards. Thanks also to the choir for assisting with the liturgy.

The Piety Stall has candles and lamps to place at graves. There are many more items too, including hand-knitted baby wear, religious items, Mass cards for different occasions, statues, gifts, and Christmas cards.

The Solemnity of St Andrew the Apostle falls on Thursday of this week. A blessed feast day to all St Patrick's parishioners. It's a good day to come to Mass to honour our great patron and pray for our fellow Scots and the reversion of our country to the ancient Faith.

Parish Events this Week

Sun 10.30am - Tea / coffee in hall
Mon 10am - Tea / coffee in hall
10.30am - Men's Group
2pm - Women's Guild
7pm - Fabric Meeting
7.30pm - Alpha
Wed 12 noon - Welcome Group
Thu 6.30pm - Youth Group
Sun 12.30pm - Panto in hall

Fabric Meeting on Monday evening at 7pm.

First Friday and P5 will join us for Holy Mass on Friday. Parents and families are welcome to join us.

Dates for the Diary for December

3rd - 1pm Christmas Panto in hall
5pm Advent Reflection in Mortuary
6th - 7pm First Candlelit *Rorate* Mass
10th - 5pm Advent Reflection in Mortuary
13th - 1pm Wed Group Christmas Lunch
7pm Second Candlelit *Rorate* Mass
16th - 7pm Men's Group Christmas Night
17th - 1pm Snr Citizens' Christmas Lunch
Christmas Raffle Draw
5pm Advent Reflection in Mortuary
20th - 7pm Final Candlelit *Rorate* Mass

Pantomime Oh yes, it is! *Sleeping Beauty* is coming to St Patrick's next Sunday! Begins after the 11.30am Mass, around 12.30pm. Tickets only £3, tuck shop available. List at the back of church to sign

up or you can email clarechalmers82@gmail.com. Pay on the door. This is a good opportunity since the pantos in the city these days are extortionate (£19 at the Pavilion) and, increasingly, the humour is inappropriate for us!

Sundays in Advent - Dec 3/10/17 Father Moir will host a series of Advent reflections in the Mortuary Chapel on the mystery of the Incarnation and the Nativity of Christ, providing a quiet time set apart from the commercialisation of the Advent season and to help the parish prepare itself spiritually for the great Solemnity of Christmas. Beginning at 5pm, each reflection will last about half an hour before concluding with Benediction. Consider making this a part of your own Christmas preparations. Keep Santa in his place!

The Baptismal Course for parents and godparents will be on **Wednesday 6th December, from 7-8pm in the hall**. Email the chapel house to book.

Christmas Evening Family Night 16th December from 7pm. The Men's Group will be selling tickets after Masses this weekend and on 2nd & 9th December. £15 per person. Entertainment by Sapphire. BYOB. Please make your food choice from the list at the back of the church.

Decorating the hall! we are looking for volunteers to help decorate the hall for Christmas **this Friday after morning Mass**. If you have time and are free then your help would be greatly. Free teas on offer!

Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch (over 65's) is on **17th December at 1pm** and is now full. The cost is £5 per person. Please pay at the door and don't forget to bring your refreshments! Thanks to the volunteers who are giving of their time to help with the luncheon.

Christmas Raffle we are looking for the following donations as prizes: Red & White Wine; Spirits: Whisky / Vodka / Gin; Tins of biscuits/ chocolates. Please hand in any donations to the Parish House or the

Donations Box at the back of the church.
Thanks again for your support.

Christmas Raffle - Stubs & Monies

Kindly return all stubs & monies for raffle tickets to a steward at the back of the church or to the parish house **NO LATER than Sunday, 10 December.**

Christmas Raffle Tickets will be available at all Masses on 12th/19th/26th November only £1 a ticket!

Christmas Gifts for CHAS Some of the families using the children's hospice can struggle at this time of year. Gifts of soft toys, puzzles, toiletries, fleecy blankets, chocolate, gift vouchers etc. are appreciated. The gifts can be for the children themselves or for their families. Do not wrap any gifts but just put them in a bag marked boy/girl and age or man/woman. Leave donations in the Mortuary Chapel **only on the weekend 9th /10th December.** Thank you.

Cumbernauld Town Centre's Crib the local Christian Churches in the Cumbernauld Area are booked to bless and pray at the Crib on **Saturday, 2nd December at 12 noon.** All very welcome.

Young adults' Catholic Conference 2nd - 4th January 2024. An excellent event held at the Emmaus Youth Village in Hexham. It's for young Catholics from all over the UK aged from 16 to 25 years. It's a blend of talks with spiritual and social time. Father Moir is hoping to take some young adults from our parish. Transport and subsidies available. Speak to Father Moir soon if you're interested and to get a form.

CHRIST THE KING SACRED SCRIPTURE

[Always read through the scriptures prayerfully before Holy Mass].

Entrance Antiphon

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading **Ezekial 34:11-17**

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my

sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 22**

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.

R. The Lord is my shepherd...

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.

R. The Lord is my shepherd...

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

R. The Lord is my shepherd...

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow
me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

R. The Lord is my shepherd...

Second Reading **1 Corinthians 15:20-26**

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority, and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left.

'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."

'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." 'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

Prayers of the Faithful Response

Lord hear us.

R. Lord graciously hear us.

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness,
to place my hope in God the Lord.