



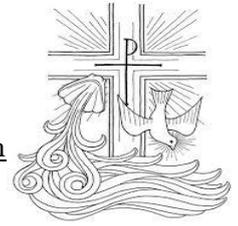
St Patrick's Catholic Church

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, 11 JANUARY 2026

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The Baptism of the Lord

9.30am - Holy Mass

11.30am - Holy Mass

Monday - FERIA

9.30am - Holy Mass

6pm - Vigil of Reception

Tuesday - St Kentigern

9.30am - Requiem Mass

Wednesday - FERIA

6-6.45pm - Confession

7pm - Holy Mass

Thursday - FERIA

9.30am - Holy Mass

Friday - FERIA

9.30am - Holy Mass

Saturday - St Anthony

9.30am - Requiem Mass

5-15-5.45pm - Confessions

6pm - Vigil Mass

**Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc.
Wednesday & Sundays**

The crib remains until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. It is a good place to pray until then. Crib donations go to Aid to the Church in Need's Holy Land projects.

Youth Group: on Pancake Tuesday (17 February) we will have a Faith & Fun day in the hall for those children who are signed up for the Youth Group. It will run from the morning Mass at 9.30am to 4.00pm, with lunch included. We will get out forms next week to the children.

Fr Deeley will be on leave for a week from Wednesday. There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Wednesday or next. There will still be confessions as usual, though.

Father Uguru who is currently posted in Stirling: will be in the chapel house and will offer the Masses and hear the confessions while Father Deeley is away. Please make him very welcome as you always do.

Faith & Reason Series with Fr Deeley being on leave there will be no Faith & Reason this week but will return on the 23 January with two sessions 'Scripture and Tradition' & 'Confession and Anointing' to catch up.

Information Night on Parish Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi will be held in the hall on Wednesday 28 January after the 7pm Mass. Feel free to go along even if you are unsure about the trip, there is no obligation.

Glasgow to Rome & Assisi 8 to 15 September 2026 by Alba Tours, a reputable and experienced Catholic travel firm which organises lots of pilgrimages from Scotland.

Flights with Easyjet:

- *Departing Glasgow 8 Sept at 7.10am
- *Arriving in Fiumicino at 11.10am.
- *Departing Rome 15 Sept at 11.55am
- *Arriving in Glasgow at 2.20pm.

Cost:

*Estimate flight price £360 - £390pp

*35-39 travelling £1095.00 + flight

*30-35 travelling £1138.00 + flight

*25-29 travelling £1197.00 + flight

Prices include:

*Coach transfers (executive coach with air conditioning)

*Transfers from Parish to Glasgow

*Transfer from Rome to hotel

*1 full day coach hire for Catacombs and Papal Basilicas

*1 full day coach hire for excursion to Castel Gandolfo and Frascati

*One-way early morning transfer from hotel to the Vatican for early Mass in the Vatican Grottoes

*One-way early morning transfer from hotel to the Vatican for early Papal Audience Grottoes

Transfer from hotel to 3 Hotel La Terrazza in Assisi

*Return coach transfer from Assisi to Rome Airport for return flight

Accommodation:

Rome for 4 nights on half board basis at the Casa Santa Lucia.

Assisi (half board) for 3 nights at the 3* Hotel La Terrazza.

To Confirm Booking: This will be discussed at the meeting on the 28 January but just for your information:

A first non-refundable deposit of £550.00 per person together with a completed Booking Form which Alba Tours would supply is required at the time of booking to secure the flights and accommodation. Easyjet require the full payment at the time of booking. A second deposit of £200 per person would be due by 15 April 2026. The final balance will be due 12 weeks prior to departure, on or before 10 July 2026

The Parish Draw takes place this week.

St Patrick's Primary School enrolment 2025: The enrolment for our primary school will be on the following dates in January:

- 12 Mon 9.30-11.30am & 1.30-2.30pm.
- 13 Tues 9.30-11.30am & 1.30-4pm.
- 14 Wed 9.30-11.30am & 1.30-4pm.

End of Christmastide Ordinary Time of the year begins tomorrow. Year A(II)

Prayers: we remember the sick and housebound who can't make it to Mass.

A White Flower Appeal will be held in the parish next weekend for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.

The Epiphany offertory donations which include standing orders £1,446 and Justice & Peace £361.

Tea, coffee and toast after the 9.30am Mass today. If you'd like to help with the rota for this, please speak to Father.

Of your charity, pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mrs Kathleen Millar RIP, formerly of Barr Farm Road, who has died aged 84. Her remains will be received into the church on Monday at 6pm and her Requiem will be on Tuesday at 9.30am.

✠*Requiescat in pace*✠

15 Mon 9.30-11.30am & 1.30-2.30pm.
16 Mon 9.30-11.30am & 1.30-2.30pm.
Ideally, children should be baptised before enrolment. Baptised children are given preferment at Catholic schools when places are in demand.

Sacramental Dates for the Diary

25 January: Signing of the Cross - P3

1 February: Presentation of Our Father - P4

Parents' Meeting in St Patrick's School:

2 February:

5.15pm - First Confession

5.45pm - First Holy Communion

6.15pm - Confirmations

8 Feb - Presentation of the Creed - P7

Ballroom Dancing for Adult Beginners

Starts next Monday in the hall from 6.30 - 7.30pm. Lessons from one of Scotland's top Ballroom Dance Schools
Enquiries: email: warrensschoolofdance@gmail.com or call 0141 9427670

Gift Aid. Thanks to those who already Gift Aid. Remember, if you pay tax, even if you are retired, the parish can claim back 25p from HMRC for every pound you give. We received £16,407 last year at no extra cost to the donors. Please consider that our costs, especially gas and electricity, are greatly increased.

Next Baptismal Course: for parents and godparents will be on Wednesday, 4 February from 7- 8pm in the hall. Email the chapel house to book.

Are you planning to marry? Give at least six months' notice to the parish priest. Couples are advised not to book anything until their freedom to marry and the availability of clergy and the church is confirmed.

Family Planning - God's & Nature's Way The Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Fertility Regulation is 99% effective with no side effects, and it accords with the teaching of the Church. It is also very helpful for couples having difficulty conceiving. For more details contact Fertility Care Scotland at email: info@fertilitycare.org.uk

Thinking about a vocation to the religious life? Join other young Catholic women to chat and explore God's will for you. Monthly gatherings will be

hosted at St Columba's Church, 9 Upper Gray Street, Edinburgh, EH9 1SN. Starts 4pm to 7pm on 25 January 2026. To register, email Sr Mirjam religiousvocations@staned.org.uk

Catholic Conversations for Women all women are welcome to this event with the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma on Saturday 31 January, 3.45pm-4.45pm, 77 Belford Rd, Edinburgh, EH4 3DS for refreshments and faith-focused discussion on preparing for Lent. A Holy Hour will follow with Adoration & Vespers from 5:10pm. Register at edinburgh@almamercy.org or call 0131 343 3380.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

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

Entrance Antiphon

After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

First Reading **Isaiah 42:1-7**

Thus says the LORD: Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. 'I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.'

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 29**

R. The LORD will bless his people with peace.

Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly powers, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; bow down before the LORD, majestic in holiness. **R.**

The voice of the LORD upon the waters, the LORD on the immensity of waters; the voice of the LORD full of power; the voice of the LORD full of splendour. **R.**

The God of glory thunders; in his temple they all cry, 'Glory!' The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; the LORD sits as king for ever. The LORD will bless his people with peace. **R.**

Second Reading **Acts 10:34-38**

In those days: Peter opened his mouth and said: 'Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all — you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered: 'This is my beloved Son; listen to him'. ***Alleluia!***

Gospel **Matthew 3:13-17**

'When Jesus was baptised he saw the Spirit of God coming to rest on him.' At that time: Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptised by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptised, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.'

Communion Antiphon

We have seen his star in the East and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.