

Parish Christmas Lunch will take place on Thursday 6 December. The cost of the three-course lunch is £10. Names can be given at the Coffee Morning.

Collections: Last Sunday's collection raised £1,771.66 of which £616.70 was Gift-Aided.

Club 200: this week's £60 winner is Margaret Mary Cowan. Please collect your prize.

Poland 2019: There will be a meeting in Parish Centre this Sunday 18 November at 2pm to discuss preparations for a pilgrimage to Poland between 25 May and 1 June 2019. A deposit of £200 will be required to cover flight tickets.

Eucharistic Ministers: there will be training for new Eucharistic ministers in our parish this December. Candidates have to be in good standing in the parish. Speak to Fr Rafal or Deacon John if you want to become a Eucharistic minister or know someone who wants to become a Eucharistic minister.

Please pray for our sick and housebound and for those who care for them:

The Diocesan Office has advised parishes that with the introduction of new Data Protection laws on 25 May 2018 it is no longer permissible to publish the names of the sick on the online version of parish bulletins. It is still permissible to do so on the print version.

Anniversaries: Patty McCorry, Annie Fitzsimnos (McCabe), James McGowan, Sadie McManus, Thomas Quail, Fr Louis Knight, Helen Hendry, Mary Wright.

1st Anniversary: Frank Moran (14th November).

Recently Deceased: Vincent Mochan, Harry McCrossan (Wishaw), Bill Mullan (Dalkeith).

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

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18th November 2018
33rd Sunday B



Masses

Monday-Saturday 10am

Saturday 6pm Vigil

Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am & 6pm

Holy Hour: Thursday 7pm

Confessions: After Saturday morning and Vigil Mass, during Holy Hour and on request

Feast Days: *Wednesday*, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; *Thursday*, St Cecilia; *Saturday*, St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions.

Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy will be celebrated by Bishop Toal on Monday 19 November at 7pm in St. Gerard's, Bellshill. This year we shall remember especially: Canon Noel Carey; Canon Tim Brosnan; Fr. Michael O'Leary and Fr. Sean O'Shea.

November Lists: Holy Mass is being offered during the month of November for the deceased, particularly those mentioned in the November Lists.

St Bride's 'Leading to Advent' evening: will take place in our church on Thursday 29 November at 7-9pm. The evening will be led by Fr David Birchall & Dr Catriona Fletcher of the Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Glasgow who will give a talk on *An Introduction to the Bible*. Teas & coffees afterwards in the hall.

Memorial Mass: for all deceased parishioners whose funerals took place over the last year will be celebrated on Wednesday 28 November at 7pm.

Jesus Our Teacher: the Icon *Jesus Our Teacher* is in the Diocese of Motherwell from 8 October until 20 November as part of events to mark the centenary of the 1918 Education Act (Scotland).

St Bride's Festival Choir: Rehearsals will commence in the church next Sunday 25 November at 7-8pm in preparation for Christmas Eve Carol Service and Mass. Contact Carol Lipton on 07758722059 if you wish to join or have any questions.

Missionary Vehicle Association (MIVA): there will be a special appeal at all Sunday masses this weekend. A representative from MIVA will talk about the health outreach work in isolated rural areas. Second collection goes to MIVA.

Catholic Education Week: now takes place between the feasts of St Margaret and St Andrew. Schools and parishes can choose the most suitable week within this period. The Diocesan Annual Education Mass will take place in Motherwell Cathedral on Tuesday 20 November at 7.00 pm. A second collection for Catholic Education will be taken up in each parish next Sunday 25 November.

Pax Christi Scotland: 23 - 25 November. There will be a weekend of reflection to launch Pax Christi Scotland with the Justice & Peace Commission. Xaverian Missionaries, Conforti, Coatbridge. Residential or nonresidential places are available. All meals included Friday evening to Sunday lunch. The event is funded by the Xaverian Missionaries. To book, email: anna@confortiinstitute.org

Pastoral Team meets this Monday at 7.30pm in Parish Library.

Newman Meeting: at the Ogilvie Centre on Wednesday 21 November. *The 1918 Act: was it indeed a panacea for Catholic Education in Scotland?* This lecture will be delivered by Professor Sir Tom Devine on the day, a century ago, when the 1918 Legislation received the Royal Assent.

Red Wednesday, 28 November 2018: The world is largely silent, so it is up to us to defend religious freedom and shine a light on the suffering of persecuted Christians and others. Wear something red. For information; resources and a free fundraising pack to help displaced Christian families in Syria go to: www.acnuk.org/redwednesday

Church Heating: 7 gas heaters have been switched off, because they no longer meet legal requirements. We are obtaining final quotations for replacing them.

St Andrew's Hospice: 'Light up a Life' forms are available at the stall.

Mary's Meals: a can collection for Mary's Meals will take place in East Kilbride Town Centre next Saturday 24 November. If you are able to help, please contact Pat McCormick on EK 243216.

Third World Group: The annual financial report is on the noticeboard so that you can see where your generous donations and support have been helping. The quiz night was very successful and enjoyed by all who attended. The final total raised was £630. Thank you for your generosity.

The Innocents raffle tickets are available at the back of the church.

World Day of Prayer for the Poor was established by Pope Francis in 2016. This year the celebration will take place on Sunday 18th November.

Caritas Students: this Wednesday at 10am mass we will host Caritas Students from our high school along with their teachers and some representatives from local primary school. During the mass we will commission Caritas students. Everyone is invited for teas/coffees/biscuits to the hall after the mass.

For Our Children and Young People

High School: Mass will be celebrated this Friday at 8.20am.

Children's Liturgy: continues this Sunday. It is also the fourth week of 'The Big Hug' programme in preparation for the sacrament of First Reconciliation.

Youth Group meets on Thursday at 7-9pm in Chapel House.